



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
School District 45, DuPage County
Villa Park, Illinois

Regular Board Meeting: February 17, 2026

The Board of Education of School District No. 45, DuPage County, Illinois, met on the 17th day of February 2026, in regular session in the Administration Center Board Room, 255 W. Vermont Street, Villa Park, Illinois, at 6:30 p.m., according to the rules of the Board.

The meeting was called to order by President Judith Degnan, who presided. Members of the Board were present and absent as follows:

PRESENT: Mrs. Deborah Cain
Mrs. Judith Degnan, President
Mrs. Sarah Godzicki
Mrs. Carol Klamecki, Vice President
Dr. Allen Legutki, Secretary
Mrs. Katie Wagner

ABSENT: Mrs. Emily Shultz

Administrative staff members were present and absent as follows:

PRESENT: Ms. Christine Arado, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction
Dr. Brian Graber, Superintendent
Dr. Adam Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO
Mr. Mike Pinney, Chief Information Officer
Dr. Annetta Spsychalski, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

ABSENT:

- 021726 (1) Call to Order**
- 021726 (1a) Pledge of Allegiance**
- 021726 (1b) District 45 Mission Statement**
- 021726 (1c) Jefferson Middle School Presentation**

Dr. Adam Bulfer, Jefferson Middle School Principal, presented to the Board of Education a Middle School Principal Report. A discussion ensued.

(See official board book)

021726 (2) Comments Regarding Agenda: None

021726 (3) Public Comments: None

021726 (4)

Board of Education and Superintendent Comments:

Dr. Graber highlighted a couple of notes stating that we are more than halfway through the third quarter. Dr. Graber went on to say that the Bowl for 45 for the district foundation was a great event that provides grants and mini grants. Dr. Graber stated that we had our highest attendance ever for this event. Dr. Graber offered thanks to everyone who participated and for the foundation for organizing the event. Dr. Graber noted that the Villa Park Rotary in connection with the Friends of the Library will be having a Trivia night coming up next Tuesday. Dr. Graber stated that next Thursday will be an early dismissal day for students. Dr. Graber mentioned the 5Essentials survey is open and will be closing on March 13.

Mrs. Cain commented that the bowling fundraiser had a really good turn out. Mrs. Cain went on to mention that the Villa Park Chamber of Commerce has a scholarship luncheon on March 12. Mrs. Cain attended the LEND meeting that took place in January. Mrs. Cain highlighted some updates from the meeting. A discussion ensued.

Mrs. Wagner commended the Solo and Ensembles event and how much work goes into it. Mrs. Wagner stated that the kids learn so much from this event. A discussion ensued.

(See official board book)

021726 (5)

Approval of Action Items (Discussion Agenda)

021726 (5a1-5a3)

**Approve District 45 Financial Reports (5a1-5a3)
5a1 Operating Statement; 5a2 Balance Sheet; 5a3 Budget Management Update**

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to approve the Financial Reports as presented in Agenda Items 5a1-5a3.

Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, reviewed the financial information with the Board of Education. A discussion ensued.

(See official board book)

Roll Call

Ayes: Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Degnan, Mrs. Godzicki, Mrs. Klamecki, Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Wagner
Nays: None

021726 (5b)

Approve Revised 2025-2026 Board of Education Meeting Schedule

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to approve the Revised 2025-2026 Board of Education Meeting Schedule as presented in Agenda Item 5b.

Dr. Graber, Superintendent, reviewed the revisions made to the 2025-2026 Board of Education Meeting Schedule with the Board of Education.

(See official board book)

Roll Call

Ayes: Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Degnan, Mrs. Godzicki, Mrs. Klamecki, Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Wagner
Nays: None

021726 (6) Action Items (Consent Agenda): 6a - 6g

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to approve the Action Items as presented in Agenda Items 6a-6g.

021726 (6a) Approve Payrolls

021726 (6b1) Approve Check Listing: Manual Checks

021726 (6b2) Approve Check Listing: Bills Payable

021726 (6c1) Approve Personnel Changes: Termination(s)/Resignation(s)

021726 (6c2) Approve Personnel Changes: Appointment(s)

021726 (6c3) Approve Personnel Changes: Leave(s) of Absence

021726 (6d) Approve Meeting Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of January 20, 2026

021726 (6e) Approve Closed Meeting Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of January 20, 2026

021726 (6f) Approve Salary Adjustment(s)

021726 (6g) Adopt PRESS Policy Draft Updates - Issue 120 - Part 2 (5:280, 5:300, 6:20, 6:40, 6:60, 6:130, 6:160, 6:210, 6:260, 7:10, 7:70, 7:180, 7:190, 7:290, 7:310, 7:340, 8:30)

(See official board book for copies of agenda items 6a-6g)

Roll Call

Ayes: Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Degnan, Mrs. Godzicki, Mrs. Klamecki, Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Wagner
Nays: None

021726 (7) Information and Consideration

021726 (7a) Third Quarter Enrollment

Dr. Spychalski, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, reviewed with the Board of Education the Third Quarter Enrollment.

(See official board book)

021726 (7b) EBC Preliminary Insurance Renewal Update

Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, reviewed with the Board of Education the EBC Preliminary Insurance Renewal Update. A discussion ensued.

(See official board book)

021726 (7c) Parent Pulse Survey Report

Dr. Graber, Superintendent, reviewed with the Board of Education the Parent Pulse Survey Report. A discussion ensued.

(See official board book)

021726 (7d)

Referendum Update

Dr. Graber, Superintendent, reviewed with the Board of Education an Update on the Referendum. A discussion ensued.

(See official board book)

021726 (7e)

2026-2027 Board of Education Meeting Schedule

Dr. Graber, Superintendent, reviewed with the Board of Education a proposed 2026-2027 Board of Education Meeting Schedule.

(See official board book)

021726 (8)

Requests under Freedom of Information Act

Dr. Spsychalski, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, reviewed with the Board of Education the FOIAs.

(See official board book)

021726 (9)

Adjournment to Executive Session

At 7:49 p.m., Dr. Legutki, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki to adjourn to Executive Session for discussion of 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2), and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10).

Roll Call

Ayes: Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Degnan, Mrs. Godzicki, Mrs. Klamecki, Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Wagner
Nays: None

021726 (10)

Reconvene Board Meeting

At 9:59 p.m., Mrs. Klamecki moved, seconded by Mrs. Godzicki, to reconvene the Board Meeting.

021726 (11)

Adjournment

At 9:59 p.m., Mrs. Godzicki moved, seconded by Mrs. Cain, to adjourn the Board Meeting.

President

Secretary