

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

Public Board Hearing on District 45 2025 Final Tax Levy

Public Board Hearing: December 16, 2025

The Board of Education of School District 45, DuPage County, Illinois, met on the 16th day of December 2025, to hold a public hearing regarding the 2025 Final Tax Levy, in the Administration Center Board Room, 255 W. Vermont Street, Villa Park, Illinois, at 6:30 pm, according to the rules of the Board.

The hearing 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. Emily Shultz
Mrs. Katie Wagner

ABSENT: None

Administrative staff members were present and absent as follows:

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

ABSENT:

PH 121625 (1) **Call to Order**
PH 121625 (1a) **Pledge of Allegiance**
PH 121625 (1b) **District 45 Vision Statement**
PH 121625 (1c) **Tax Levy Information**

Dr. Parisi reviewed the 2025 Property Tax Levy Timeline. Dr. Parisi stated that the levy request is for a total of \$46,150.00 to be spread across funds as outlined on the Certificate of Tax Levy.

Dr. Parisi stated that once approved, the levy documents will be delivered to the County Clerk's office by the last Tuesday of December.

PH 121625 (2)

Statement of Purpose

President Judith Degnan made the following statement: "In accordance with action of this Board of Education and with the public notice published by the Board in the local newspapers, whereas it is the intent of School District 45, DuPage County, to adopt a tax levy for the tax year 2025 which is more than 105% of the extension, exclusive of debt service costs, for the preceding year, the Public Hearing on the adoption of such tax levy is convened at this time for the purpose of presenting in public meeting the Certificate of Tax Levy for the taxable property of our school district for the year 2025."

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Comments Regarding 2025 Final Tax Levy

PH 121625 (3a)

Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Graber made the following statement: "The 2025 Tax Levy is a request for local property tax revenue to operate in the fiscal year 2026-2027. School District 45 revenue is generated primarily from local property taxes, 79.5% in Fiscal Year 2025-2026. This recommended action is only to cover expenditures in the fiscal year 2026-2027. The District continues to be fiscally responsible and looks for ways to reduce costs in all areas. Once property value information is finalized in spring by The DuPage County Clerk's Office, the levy request will be reduced to what is legally allowed per School Code."

PH 121625 (3b)

Board of Education

None

PH 121625 (3c)

Members of the Audience

None

PH 121625 (4)

Closing of Public Hearing

President Judith Degnan made the following statement: "I declare the Public Hearing on the School District 2025 Final Tax Levy closed at 6:37 p.m.".

Certified to be correct:

President

Secretary