



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

Regular Board Meeting: May 20, 2025

The Board of Education of School District No. 45, DuPage County, Illinois, met on the 20th day of May 2025, 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
Mr. Jeff Eagan, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO
Dr. Brian Graber, Superintendent
Mr. Mike Pinney, Chief Information Officer
Dr. Annetta Spychalski, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

ABSENT:

052025 (1) Call to Order
052025 (1a) Pledge of Allegiance
052025 (1b) District 45 Vision Statement
052025 (2) Comments Regarding Agenda: None

052025 (3) Public Comments:

Dawn Peterson made a public comment regarding Boosters fundraising.

Courtney and John Navarro made public comments regarding Boosters fundraising.

052025 (4)

Board of Education and Superintendent Comments:

Mrs. Degnan thanked everyone involved in negotiations. Mrs. Degnan expressed gratitude to everyone who helped get the Staff Recognition ceremony together. Mrs. Degnan stated that November, a Jefferson Middle School student, will be the student board representative for the 2025-26 school year. Mrs. Degnan wished everyone a great end to the school year and a wonderful summer.

Mrs. Wagner commented that the Jackson Band was great. Mrs. Wagner and others attended many events at D45.

Dr. Legutki visited Schafer, his adopted school. Dr. Legutki thanked everyone for their hospitality while visiting. Dr. Legutki visited North Elementary School for their PTA celebration. Dr. Legutki gave a shout out to all the staff, parents and custodians who contributed to packing up quickly during the dust storm that occurred that evening.

Mrs. Godzicki attended the D45 Band and Orchestra performances. Mrs. Godzicki chaperoned the field trip to Six Flags. Mrs. Godzicki expressed pride in our students.

Mrs. Cain participated in a tour of North Elementary School. Mrs. Cain commented on how much she enjoyed visiting the classrooms.

Dr. Graber mentioned some timely updates: There will be a full day of school this Friday, May 23. There will be a half day on Tuesday, May 27. Dr. Graber recognized the many efforts of parents and staff in making STEM Day a wonderful event. Dr. Graber thanked everyone for their support with Strategic Planning. Dr. Graber commented that the negotiation process was highly collaborative.

052025 (5)

Approval of Action Items (Discussion Agenda)

052025 (5a1-5a4)

**Approve District 45 Financial Reports (5a1-5a4)
5a1 Vouchers Awaiting Processing by Comptroller; 5a2 Operating Statement; 5a3 Balance Sheet; 5a4 Budget Management Reports**

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to approve the Financial Reports as presented in Agenda Items 5a1-5a4.

Mr. Eagan, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, reviewed the financial information 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

052025 (5b)

Accept Monetary Donation

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to accept the monetary donation from Willowbrook High School Athletic Booster Club as presented in Agenda Item 5b.

(See Official Board Book)

Roll Call

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

052025 (5c)

Approve Old Second National Bank Resolution

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to approve the following resolution between School District 45, DuPage County and Old Second National Bank as presented in Agenda Item 5c.

Mr. Eagan, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, presented the resolution between School District 45, DuPage County and Old Second National Bank.

(See Official Board Book)

Roll Call

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

052025 (5d)

Approve BMO Bank Resolution

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to approve the following resolution between School District 45, DuPage County and BMO Bank as presented in Agenda Item 5d.

Mr. Eagan, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, presented the resolution between School District 45, DuPage County and BMO Bank.

(See Official Board Book)

Roll Call

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

052025 (5e)

Approve Republic Bank Resolution

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to approve the following resolution between School District 45, DuPage County and Republic Bank as presented in Agenda Item 5e.

Mr. Eagan, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, presented the resolution between School District 45, DuPage County and Republic Bank.

(See Official Board Book)

Roll Call

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

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| 052025 (6) | Approval of Action Items (Consent Agenda): 6a – 6q |
| | Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to approve the Action Items as presented in Agenda Items 6a-6q. |
| 052025 (6a) | Approve Payrolls |
| 052025 (6b) | Approve Check Listing |
| 052025 (6b1) | Manual Checks |
| 052025 (6b2) | Bills Payable |
| 052025 (6c1) | Approve Personnel Changes: Termination(s)/Resignation(s) |
| 052025 (6c2) | Approve Personnel Changes: Appointments |
| 052025 (6c3) | Approve Personnel Changes: Leave(s) of Absence |
| 052025 (6d) | Approve Meeting Minutes of the Public Hearing of May 6, 2025 |
| 052025 (6e) | Approve Meeting Minutes of the Swearing Into Office New Board of Education Members of May 6, 2025 |
| 052025 (6f) | Approve Meeting Minutes of the Reorganizational and Regular Board of Education Meeting of May 6, 2025 |
| 052025 (6g) | Approve Closed Meeting Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of May 6, 2025 |
| 052025 (6h) | Approve Salary Adjustment(s) |
| 052025 (6i) | Approve Resignation(s) for the Purpose of Retirement |
| 052025 (6j) | Approve Illinois School Code Waiver (ILCS 105/18-8.05 (F)(2)(d)(2)) for an alternative use of School Improvement days |
| 052025 (6k) | Approve 2025-26 Salary & Benefits and Employment Guidelines for Educational Support Personnel |
| 052025 (6l) | Approve 2025-26 Benefits and Employment Guidelines for Permanent Substitutes |
| 052025 (6m) | Approve 2025-26 Salary and Benefits and Employment Guidelines for Off-Schedule Certified Personnel |
| 052025 (6n) | Approve 2025-26 Salary and Benefits and Employment Guidelines for Non-Administrative Central Office Staff |
| 052025 (6o) | Approve 2025-26 Salary and Benefits and Employment Guidelines for HR Facilitator and Community Engagement Coordinator |
| 052025 (6p) | Approve 2025-26 Pay Rates for Part-Time, Temporary/Substitute and Other Support Personnel |
| 052025 (6q) | Ratify and Confirm Adoption of Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Board of Education and the Villa Park Education Association (VPEA) |
| | (See Official Board Book for copies of Agenda Items 6a--6q) |
| Roll Call | Ayes: Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Degnan, Mrs. Godzicki, Mrs. Klamecki, Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Wagner Nays: None |
| 052025 (7) | Information and Consideration |

052025 (7a)

School-Based Child Nutrition Meal Agreement between School Association for Special Education in DuPage, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program, Multi-Needs Program, and School District 45

Mr. Jeff Eagan, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, reviewed the School-Based Child Nutrition Meal Agreement between School Association for Special Education in DuPage, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program, Multi-Needs Program, and School District 45 with the Board.

(See Official Board Book)

052025 (7b)

2025-2026 Finance Committee Meeting Schedule

Mr. Jeff Eagan, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, presented the 2025-2026 Finance Committee Meeting Schedule with the Board.

(See Official Board Book)

052025 (7c)

Consolidated District Plan

Dr. Annetta Spsychalski, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and Ms. Christine Arado, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction, reviewed with the Board the Consolidated District Plan.

(See Official Board Book)

052025 (7d)

Staffing Update (Compliance)

Dr. Annetta Spsychalski, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, reviewed with the Board the Staffing Update (Compliance).

(See Official Board Book)

052025 (7e)

District Goals Update

Dr. Brian Graber, Superintendent and Ms. Christine Arado, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction, reviewed with the Board the District Goals Update.

(See Official Board Book)

052025 (7f)

Revised 25-26 School Calendar

Dr. Brian Graber, Superintendent, reviewed with the Board the Revised 25-26 School Calendar.

(See Official Board Book)

052025 (8)

Requests under Freedom of Information Act

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

(See Official Board Book)

052025 (9)

Adjournment to Executive Session

At 7:44 p.m., Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki to adjourn to Executive Session for discussion of 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) and [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).

052025 (10)

Reconvene Board Meeting

At 8:37 p.m., Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Godzicki, to reconvene the Board Meeting.

052025 (11)

Adjournment

At 8:37 p.m., Mrs. Godzicki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to adjourn the Board Meeting.

Roll Call

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

Certified to be correct:

President

Secretary

