



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

Regular Board Meeting: August 11, 2026

The Board of Education of School District No. 45, DuPage County, Illinois, met on the 11th day of August 2026, in regular session in the Administration Center Board Room, 255 W. Vermont Street, Villa Park, Illinois, at 6:36 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
Mr. John Dorhauer
Mrs. Sarah Godzicki
Mrs. Carol Klamecki, Vice President
Dr. Allen Legutki, Secretary
Mrs. Katie Wagner

ABSENT:

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

ABSENT:

- 081126 (1) Call to Order**
- 081126 (1a) Pledge of Allegiance**
- 081126 (1b) District 45 Mission Statement**
- 081126 (2) Approval of Action Items (Discussion Agenda)**
- 081126 (2a) Appoint Candidate to Fill Vacancy Resulting from the Resignation of Former Board Member Emily Shultz**

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to Appoint a Candidate to Fill the Vacancy Resulting from the Resignation of Former Board Member Emily Shultz as presented in Agenda Item 2a.

Mrs. Degnan introduced Mr. John Dorhauer as the candidate for the board vacancy. Mrs. Degnan stated that interviews were conducted last week and the Board came to a consensus to appoint Mr. Dorhauer.

(See Official Board Book)

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

081126 (3) Administer Oath of Office to New Board Member

Mr. John Dorhauer read the Oath of Office.

The Board of Education congratulated Mr. Dorhauer.

(See Official Board Book)

081126 (4) Comments Regarding Agenda: None

081126 (5) Public Comments: None

081126 (6) Board of Education and Superintendent Comments:

Dr. Graber stated that this time of year is exciting with lots of activities. Dr. Graber offered thanks to Ms. Garcia for the back to school event and mentioned that it was a nice kick off to the school year. Dr. Graber stated that the new staff orientation started off this morning. Dr. Graber mentioned there was great professional development this morning. A discussion ensued.

Mrs. Wagner attended the first town hall meeting for the referendum and mentioned there was a lot of great information. Mrs. Wagner mentioned that there is another town hall meeting being held tomorrow at Schafer Elementary School.

Mrs. Degnan commented that there has been a lot of community involvement regarding the referendum.

(See Official Board Book)

081126 (7) Approval of Action Items (Discussion Agenda)

081126 (7a) Approve Resolution Providing for and Requiring the Submission of the Proposition of Increasing the Limiting Rate for the District to the Voters of the District at the General Election to be Held on the 3rd day of November, 2026

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to Approve the Resolution Providing for and Requiring the Submission of the Proposition of Increasing the Limiting Rate for the District to the Voters of the District at the General Election to be Held on the 3rd day of November, 2026 as presented in Agenda Item 7a.

(See Official Board Book)

Roll Call

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

081126 (7b)

Appoint Board Representatives for District Advisory Council (DAC)

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to Appoint Board Representatives for the District Advisory Council (DAC) as presented in Agenda Item 7b.

Board members Mrs. Judy Degnan and Mrs. Deborah Cain were appointed as Board Representatives for the District Advisory Council (DAC) for the 2026-27 and 2027-28 school years.

(See Official Board Book)

Roll Call

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

081126 (7c)

Approve SASSED Governing Board and Alternate Appointment Resolution

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to Approve SASSED Governing Board and Alternate Appointment Resolution as presented in Agenda Item 7c.

Dr. Al Legutki will continue to serve as SASSED Governing Board and Mrs. Sarah Godzicki will serve as the Alternate for the 2026-27 school year.

(See Official Board Book)

Roll Call

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

081126 (7d)

Approve Tentative 2026-2027 Legal Budget to be Available for Public Inspection

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to Approve the Tentative 2026-2027 Legal Budget to be Available for Public Inspection as presented in Agenda Item 7d.

Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, reviewed the Tentative 2026-2027 Legal Budget with the Board of Education.

(See Official Board Book)

Roll Call

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

081126 (7e)

Set Public Hearing for Presentation of 2026-2027 Legal Budget to be Available for Public Inspection

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to Set the Public Hearing for Presentation of the 2026-2027 Legal Budget to be Available for Public Inspection as presented in Agenda Item 7e.

Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, provided an update on the process for setting up the Public Hearing with the Board of Education.

(See Official Board Book)

Roll Call

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

081126 (8)	Approval of Action Items (Consent Agenda): 8a – 8g
	Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to approve the Action Items as presented in Agenda Items 8a-8g.
081126 (8a)	Approve Personnel Changes
081126 (8a1)	Termination(s)/Resignation(s)
081126 (8a2)	Appointments
081126 (8a3)	Leave(s) of Absence: None
081126 (8a4)	Resignation(s) for the Purpose of Retirement
081126 (8a5)	Terminal Pay Authorization
081126 (8b)	Approve Meeting Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of July 14, 2026
081126 (8c)	Approve Closed Meeting Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of July 14, 2026
081126 (8d)	Approve Meeting Minutes of the Special Board of Education Meeting of August 4, 2026
081126 (8e)	Approve Closed Meeting Minutes of the Special Board of Education Meeting of August 4, 2026
081126 (8f)	Approve Salary Adjustment(s): None
081126 (8g)	Approve Crossing Guard Agreement
	(See Official Board Book for copies of Agenda Items (8a--8g))
Roll Call	Ayes: Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Degan, Mr. Dorhauer, Mrs. Godzicki, Mrs. Klamecki, Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Wagner Nays: None
081126 (9)	Information and Consideration
081126 (9a)	PRESS Policy Draft Updates, Issue 122
	Dr. Graber, Superintendent, reviewed the PRESS Policy Draft Updates for Issue 122 with the Board.
	(See Official Board Book)
081126 (9b)	Staffing and Enrollment Update
	Dr. Graber, Superintendent, provided a Staffing and Enrollment Update to the Board. A discussion ensued.
	(See Official Board Book)
081126 (9c)	Referendum Update
	Dr. Graber, Superintendent, provided a Referendum Update to the Board. A discussion ensued.
	(See Official Board Book)
081126 (10)	Requests under Freedom of Information Act: None
	(See Official Board Book)

081126 (11) Adjournment to Executive Session

At 7:38 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)(10)].

Roll Call Ayes: Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Degnan, Mr. Dorhauer, Mrs. Godzicki, Mrs. Klamecki, Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Wagner
Nays: None

081126 (12) Reconvene Board Meeting

At 9:51 p.m., Mrs. Godzicki moved, seconded by Mrs. Wagner, to reconvene the Board Meeting.

081126 (13) Approval of Action Item 13a1

081126 (13a) Approve Personnel Changes

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Wagner, to approve the Action Item as presented in Agenda Item 13a1.

081126 (13a1) Termination(s)/Resignation(s)

Roll Call Ayes: Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Degnan, Mr. Dorhauer, Mrs. Godzicki, Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Wagner
Nays: Mrs. Klamecki

081126 (14) Adjournment

At 9:53 p.m. Mrs. Godzicki moved, seconded by Mrs. Cain, to adjourn the Board Meeting.

Certified to be correct:

President

Secretary