



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

Regular Board Meeting: September 2, 2025

The Board of Education of School District No. 45, DuPage County, Illinois, met on the 2nd day of September 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 Vice President Carol Klamecki, 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
Mrs. Emily Shultz
Mrs. Katie Wagner

ABSENT: Dr. Allen Legutki, Secretary

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 Spychalski, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

ABSENT:

090225 (1) Call to Order

090225 (1a) Pledge of Allegiance

090225 (1b) District 45 Mission Statement

090225 (2) Comments Regarding Agenda:

Due to the absence of Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Degnan asked if there were any volunteers to act as secretary pro tem. Mrs. Shultz volunteered. It was unanimously decided that Mrs. Shultz would be secretary pro tem for the September 2, 2025 board meeting.

090225 (3) Public Comments: None

090225 (4)

Board of Education and Superintendent Comments:

Dr. Graber spoke of the district's school improvement day, which was held today, being a success. Dr. Graber commended Ms. Arado and Mrs. Slusher, who presented tools for incorporating AI as part of the school improvement day. Dr. Graber noted an increase in attendance from 20% to 60% for curriculum night. Dr. Graber spoke of team building activities that were held during field day at the beginning of the school year. Dr. Graber spoke of Frida fest that will be coming up soon. Dr. Graber announced that November Doira from Jefferson Middle School, and Lily Castaldi from Jackson Middle School, will be our student board members. Dr. Graber stated that they will be attending the Triple I Conference which is held in November.

090225 (5)

Approval of Action Items (Discussion Agenda) None

090225 (6)

Approval of Action Items (Consent Agenda): 6a – 6f

Mrs. Shultz moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to approve the Action Items as presented in Agenda Items 6a-6f.

090225 (6a)

Approve Personnel Changes

090225 (6a1)

Termination(s)/Resignation(s)

090225 (6a2)

Appointment(s)

090225 (6a3)

Leave(s) of Absence

090225 (6b)

Approve Meeting Minutes of the Special Board of Education Meeting of August 14, 2025

090225 (6c)

Approve Meeting Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of August 19, 2025

090225 (6d)

Approve Closed Meeting Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of August 19, 2025

090225 (6e)

Approve Salary Adjustment(s)

090225 (6f)

Approval of FY26 Hazardous Bus Area Resolution: Continuation of Approved Busing

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

Roll Call

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

090225 (7)

Information and Consideration

090225 (7a)

PRESS Policy Draft Updates, Issue 119

Dr. Graber, Superintendent, Ms. Arado, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction, Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, and Dr. Spsychalski, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, reviewed the PRESS Policy draft updates with the Board of Education.

(See official board book)

090225 (7b)

Curriculum Update

Ms. Arado, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction, provided the Board of Education a curriculum update.

(See official board book)

090225 (8)

Requests under Freedom of Information Act

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

(See official board book)

090225 (9)

Adjournment to Executive Session

At 7:00 p.m., Mrs. Shultz, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki to adjourn to Executive Session for discussion of 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

Roll Call

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

090225 (10)

Reconvene Board Meeting

At 8:12 p.m., Mrs. Godzicki moved, seconded by Mrs. Wagner, to reconvene the Board Meeting.

090225 (11)

Adjournment

At 8:12 p.m., Mrs. Godzicki moved, seconded by Mrs. Cain, to adjourn the Board Meeting.

President

Secretary

