

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

School District 45, DuPage County
Villa Park, Illinois

Regular Board Meeting: December 16, 2025

The Board of Education of School District No. 45, DuPage County, Illinois, met on the 16th day of December 2025, in regular session in the Administration Center Board Room, 255 W. Vermont Street, Villa Park, Illinois, at 6:38 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. Emily Shultz
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
Dr. Annetta Spychalski, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

ABSENT:

121625 (1)	Call to Order
121625 (1a)	Pledge of Allegiance
121625 (1b)	District 45 Mission Statement
121625 (1c)	Presentation of the 2024-2025 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report by Lauterbach and Amen, LLP

Mr. Don Shaw, of Lauterbach and Amen, LLP, presented a brief report on the 2024-2025 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Mr. Shaw will be referenced the audit report during this presentation. The audit report can be found in Agenda Item 5C.

(See official board book)

121625 (2)	Comments Regarding Agenda: None
121625 (3)	Public Comments: None

121625 (4)

Board of Education and Superintendent Comments:

Dr. Graber highlighted some events happening in District 45. Dr. Graber spoke of family conferences. Dr. Graber also mentioned the Villa Park Village Town Hall where District 45 had a table set up. Dr. Graber spoke about the District 45 Foundation went around and awarded mini-grants. Dr. Graber thanked the District 45 Foundation for their generosity. Dr. Graber wished everyone a safe, fun, and peaceful holiday season.

Mrs. Gozicki attended the Ardmore Elementary School student strategic planning session which was a student led discussion.

Dr. Legutki attended the North Elementary School 3rd through 5th grade choir concert.

Mrs. Cain attended the North Elementary School 2nd grade concert.

Mrs. Wagner attended the Jackson Middle School music events which consisted of band, orchestra, and choir.

Mrs. Degnan - Jackson Middle School concert that was held at Willowbrook High School.

Dr. Legutki spoke of the All Illinois Junior Band. Dr. Legutki stated that one District 45 student attended last year and that this year there are two District 45 students who will be attending the event at the University of Illinois Urbana Champaign. last year all il junior band, this year we have 2 students going to U of I Urbana-Champaign. Dr. Legutki attended a York Center/ Stevenson PTA meeting.

Mrs. Degnan thanked the entire staff for a great first semester.

(See official board book)

121625 (5)

Approval of Action Items (Discussion Agenda)

121625 (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. Shultz, Mrs. Wagner Nays: None

121625 (5b)

Adopt the Board 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 primary election to be held on the 17th day of March, 2026

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to adopt the Board 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 primary election to be held on the 17th day of March, 2026 as presented in Agenda Item 5b.

Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, discussed with the Board of Education the Board 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 primary election to be held on the 17th day of March, 2026. A discussion ensued.

(See official board book)

Roll Call

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

121625 (5c)

Accept 2024-2025 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to accept 2024-2025 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report as presented in Agenda Item 5c.

Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, discussed with the Board of Education the 2024-2025 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

(See official board book)

Roll Call

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

121625 (5d)

Adopt 2025 Final Tax Levy

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to adopt the 2025 Final Tax Levy as presented in Agenda Item 5d.

Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, discussed with the Board of Education the 2025 Final Tax Levy.

(See official board book)

Roll Call

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

121625 (5e)

Approve Pre-purchasing of Mechanical Equipment for Summer 2026 Construction Projects

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to approve the Pre-purchase of Mechanical Equipment for (projects for summer 26) as presented in Agenda Item 5e.

Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, discussed with the Board of Education the Pre-purchase of Mechanical Equipment and labor options for summer 2026 construction projects.

(See official board book)

Roll Call

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

121625 (5f)

Accept Donation - Monetary

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to accept a monetary donation as presented in Agenda Item 5f. Upon a voice vote, the motion was approved unanimously.

(See official board book)

121625 (6)

Action Items (Consent Agenda): 6a - 6l

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

121625 (6a)

Approve Payrolls

121625 (6b1)

Approve Check Listing: Manual Checks

121625 (6b2)

Approve Check Listing: Bills Payable

121625 (6c1)

Approve Personnel Changes: Termination(s)/Resignation(s)

121625 (6c2)

Approve Personnel Changes: Appointment(s)

121625 (6c3)

Approve Personnel Changes: Leave(s) of Absence

121625 (6d)

Approve Meeting Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of November 18, 2025

121625 (6e)

Approve Closed Meeting Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of November 18, 2025

121625 (6f)

Approve Meeting Minutes of the Special Board of Education Meeting of December 8, 2025

121625 (6g)

Approve Salary Adjustment(s)

121625 (6h)

Approve Resignation(s) for Purpose of Retirement

121625 (6i)

Approve Cardiac Emergency Response Plan

121625 (6j)

Approve Financial Software Contract

121625 (6k) **Approve D45 Internal University MOA**

121625 (6l) **Adopt PRESS Policy Draft Updates - Issue 120 - Part 1 (2:120, 2:150, 2:270, 4:10, 4:30, 4:80, 4:140, 5:10, 5:90, 5:100, 5:190, 5:200, 5:220)**
(See official board book for copies of agenda items 6a-6l)

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

121625 (7) **Information and Consideration**

121625 (7a) **Review Draft 2025-2026 District 45 School Calendar**

Dr. Spychalski, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, reviewed with the Board of Education the draft of the 2025-2026 District 45 school calendar.

(See official board book)

121625 (7b) **Regional Office of Education Annual Building Inspection Report**

Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, reviewed with the Board of Education Regional Office of Education Annual Building Inspection Report.

(See official board book)

121625 (7c) **2026-2027 District Fees Schedule**

Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, reviewed with the Board of Education the 2026-2027 District Fees Schedule.

(See official board book)

121625 (7d) **Community Engagement Update**

Dr. Graber, Superintendent, and Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, reviewed with the Board of Education the Community Engagement Update.

(See official board book)

121625 (8) **Requests under Freedom of Information Act**

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

(See official board book)

121625 (9) **Adjournment to Executive Session**

At 7:51 p.m., Dr. Legutki, seconded by Mrs. Godzicki to adjourn to Executive Session for discussion of 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21).

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

121625 (10)

Reconvene Board Meeting

At 8:36 p.m., Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Cain, to reconvene the Board Meeting.

121625 (11)

Adjournment

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

President

Secretary

