



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

Regular Board Meeting: August 5, 2025

The Board of Education of School District No. 45, DuPage County, Illinois, met on the 5th day of August 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. Carol Klamecki, Vice President
Dr. Allen Legutki, Secretary
Mrs. Emily Shultz
Mrs. Katie Wagner

ABSENT: Mrs. Sarah Godzicki

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:

080525 (1) Call to Order
080525 (1a) Pledge of Allegiance
080525 (1b) District 45 Mission Statement
080525 (2) Comments Regarding Agenda: None
080525 (3) Public Comments: None

080525 (4)

Board of Education and Superintendent Comments:

Dr. Graber stated that it's a very busy time of year with lots of excitement preparing for the new school year to begin. Dr. Graber commended the admin team and all the staff who planned the new staff orientation which started today. Dr. Graber stated that we have approximately 30 new staff members. Dr. Graber thanked the admin team that went into the planning. Dr. Graber went on to say that class assignments will be available this Friday. Dr. Graber stated that there will be an all staff welcome back at Jackson Middle School on Monday where the keynote speaker will be Cathleen Beachboard who will be discussing the science of hope and how it relates to our strategic plan.

Mrs. Degnan welcomed everyone back and thanked everyone who had a part in getting the new staff orientation set up this morning. Mrs. Degnan mentioned that there will be a special open session meeting for new board member training on August 14. Mrs. Degnan attended the North Elementary School pop up event. Mrs. Degnan commented that there were a lot of staff and kids there and that it was a good way to reconnect. Mrs. Degnan also attended the Jackson Middle School walk in registration.

Dr. Legutki stated that he will be attending SASSED tomorrow. Dr. Legutki commented that he enjoyed meeting everyone this morning at the staff orientation event.

Mrs. Wagner commented that the resource event was done really well and that it was a nice time. Mrs. Degnan and others praised Ms. Claudia Garcia and staff for organizing this event where there were over 700 attendees in the Jefferson Middle School gym. Dr. Graber commented that Ms. Claudia Garcia did a ton of work to prepare for the event.

080525 (5)

Approval of Action Items (Discussion Agenda)

080525 (5a)

Approval of Tentative 2025-2026 Legal Budget to be Available for Public Inspection

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to approve the tentative 2025-2026 legal budget to be available for public inspection as presented in Agenda Items 5a.

Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, presented the tentative 2025-2026 legal budget to the board.

A discussion ensued.

(See Official Board Book)

Roll Call

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

080525 (5b)	<p>Set Public Hearing for Presentation of 2025-2026 Tentative Legal Budget to be Available for Public Inspection</p> <p>Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to set a public hearing for the presentation of the 2025-2026 tentative legal budget to be available for public inspection as presented in Agenda Items 5b.</p> <p>Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, presensented the proposal to set a public hearing for the presentation of the 2025-2026 tentative legal budget to be available for public inspection to the board.</p> <p>(See Official Board Book)</p>
Roll Call	<p>Ayes: Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Degnan, Mrs. Klamecki, Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Shultz, Mrs. Wagner</p> <p>Nays: None</p>
080525 (6)	<p>Approval of Action Items (Consent Agenda): 6a – 6f</p> <p>Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to approve the Action Items as presented in Agenda Items 6a-6f.</p>
080525 (6a)	Approve Personnel Changes
080525 (6a1)	Termination(s)/Resignation(s)
080525 (6a2)	Appointments
080525 (6a3)	Leave(s) of Absence
080525 (6b)	Approve Meeting Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of July 15, 2025
080525 (6c)	Approve Closed Meeting Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of July 15, 2025
080525 (6d)	Approve Salary Adjustment(s)
080525 (6e)	Approve Semi-Annual Release of Executive Session Minutes
080525 (6f)	<p>Adopt PRESS Policy Draft Updates - Issue 118 (2:260, 2:265, 5:10, 5:20, 5:100, 7:10, 7:20, 7:270, 7:310)</p> <p>(See Official Board Book for copies of Agenda Items 6a–6f)</p>
Roll Call	<p>Ayes: Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Degnan, Mrs. Klamecki, Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Shultz, Mrs. Wagner</p> <p>Nays: None</p>
080525 (7)	Information and Consideration
080525 (7a)	<p>Staffing and Enrollment Update</p> <p>Dr. Spsychalski, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, reviewed the staffing and enrollment update with the Board.</p> <p>A discussion ensued.</p> <p>(See Official Board Book)</p>

080525 (7b)

Federal Grant Funding Update

Dr. Spychalski, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, provided the Board of Education with an update about federal grant funding.

A discussion ensued.

(See Official Board Book)

080525 (7c)

Safety Commission Update

Dr. Graber, Superintendent, and Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, reviewed the safety commission update with the Board.

A discussion ensued.

(See Official Board Book)

080525 (8)

Requests under Freedom of Information Act

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

(See Official Board Book)

080525 (9)

Adjournment to Executive Session

At 7:33 p.m., Dr. Legutki moved, 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. Klamecki, Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Shultz, Mrs. Wagner
Nays: None

080525 (10)

Reconvene Board Meeting

At 8:50 p.m., Mrs. Shultz moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to reconvene the Board Meeting.

080525 (11)

Adjournment

At 8:50 p.m., Mrs. Shultz moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to adjourn the Board Meeting.

President

Secretary

