

**Regular Board Meeting
Board of Education School District No. 6
Lake County, Illinois
2800 29th Street, Zion, IL 60099
May 19, 2025 at 6:00 PM**

Roll Call

President Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m., and held the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Denise Lear, Jacqueline San Diego, Robert Surano, and Margie Taylor.

Absent: Ken Fielding and Netya Perez Rivera

Administration and staff present: Julious Lawson, Superintendent, Samantha Snyder, CSBO, Erik Youngman, Director of Teaching & Learning, Julio Ugarte, Director of Buildings and Grounds, and Kimberly Hall, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent and Board of Education Secretary.

Approval of Agenda

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the Agenda as presented.

Motion made by Denise Lear, seconded by Jacqueline San Diego.

Roll Call: Ayes; Denise Lear, Jacqueline San Diego, Robert Surano, and Margie Taylor.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Celebrations and Recognitions

Dr. Lawson recognized all of the 2024-2025 retirees and staff celebrating milestone anniversaries. Also recognized was Stacy Storey, Beulah Park staff member, who was selected as the Classroom Elementary/Childhood Educator at the May 7th Educator of the Year event hosted by the Lake County Regional Office of Education.

Public Participation

There were no public comments.

Approval of Consent Agenda

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, which involves one roll call vote for all recommendations including the minutes for the April 14, 2025 Special and Regular Board Meetings and the May 5, 2025 Special Board Meeting.

It is the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the following resignations.

- **Garcia Armenteros, Carmen**, resignation from the position of Bilingual ELA Teacher Citizenship Teacher for Zion Central Middle School, effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year

It is the Superintendent's recommendation to approve employment of the following personnel for the positions and dates of employment as indicated, subject to successful completion of the medical examination and forms, as required by Section 24-5 of the Illinois School Code, successful completion of a criminal background investigation as required by Section 1-21.9 of the Illinois School Code, a Child Abuse Registry check, and submission of all forms, documents and certifications required by law and/or requested by the District.

- **Dordelly Pacheco, Luis**, for the position of 2nd Grade Dual Language Teacher, for East Elementary School, previously unfilled, effective for the 2025-2026 school year
Certified: BA, Step 4, \$45,271.78
- **Griffin, Kaitlyn**, for the position of School Social Worker, for Zion Elementary School District 6, effective for the 2025-2026 school year
Certified: MA, Step 3, \$55,436.57

Motion made by Denise Lear, seconded by Jacqueline San Diego.

Roll Call: Ayes; Denise Lear, Jacqueline San Diego, Margie Taylor, and Robert Surano.

Nays; None.

Motion carried.

President's Report

President Taylor reviewed the June calendar with the board. The board will have a Special meeting on June 16th for goal setting with the superintendent. There were no updates for the taxing bodies, SEDOL, and TIF. The finance committee did not hold a meeting this month.

Superintendent's Report

Teaching and Learning Update

Director Erik Youngman along with Coordinators Kerri Gilbert and Jen Sajovec presented a Teaching and Learning update including a Library Update, Proximity, Career Technical Education (CTE) and an MTSS Software recommendation.

Master Facility Plan Presentation

Green Associates presented a summary draft of the Master Facility Plan (MFP) including facility summaries, educational adequacy, facility assessment and recommendations, capacity and utilization analysis, and priorities and solutions. The goal of the MFP is to assist the District when planning for capital improvements and upgrades to the District's buildings for the next twenty years to effectively support student learning and district goals.

New Business

Final School Calendar 2024-2025

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the Final School Calendar for 2024-2025 with the final day of June 3, 2025 as presented.

Motion made by Denise Lear, seconded by Jacqueline San Diego.

Roll Call: Ayes; Denise Lear, Jacqueline San Diego, Robert Surano, and Margie Taylor.

Nays; None.

Motion carried

Instructional Contract: Proximity – West, Shiloh and Zion Central

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the recommendation that the Board of Education approve the Virtual Instruction Plan for West, Shiloh and Zion Central for a total of \$684,479.46 should all 10 F.T.E hard-to-fill positions remain unfilled by a qualified certified teacher as presented.

Motion made by Robert Surano, seconded by Denise Lear.

Roll Call: Ayes; Robert Surano, Denise Lear, Jacqueline San Diego, and Margie Taylor.

Nays; None.

Motion carried

Policy Manual Updates

President Taylor asked for a motion the Board of Education approve the First Reading of PRESS Policy updates: 7:255, 2:265, 2:260, 4:15, 4:80, 5:10, 5:20, 5:60, 5:100, 5:60 E1, 5:60 E2, 6:150, 6:235, 7:10, 7:20, 7:60, 7:70, 7:180, 7:185, 7:190, 7:200, 7:210, 7:250, 7:270, 7:310, and 7:340 as presented.

Motion made by Denise Lear, seconded by Robert Surano.

Roll Call: Ayes; Denise Lear, Robert Surano, Margie Taylor, and Jacqueline San Diego.

Nays; None.

Motion carried

MTSS Platform

President Taylor asked for a motion that the Board of Education approve the purchase of LinkIt! Assessment Management and Analytics Platform for one year at \$30,996.00 as presented.

Motion made by Robert Surano, seconded by Denise Lear.

Roll Call: Ayes; Robert Surano, Denise Lear, Margie Taylor and Jacqueline San Diego.

Nays; None.

Motion carried

Board Committees

President Taylor asked for a motion that the Board of Education approve the Board Committee assignments discussed at the May 5, 2025 meeting as presented.

Motion made by Jacqueline San Diego, seconded by Robert Surano.

Roll Call: Ayes; Jacqueline San Diego, Robert Surano, Denise Lear, and Margie Taylor.

Nays; None.

Motion carried

Closed Session

President Taylor asked for a motion to enter into Closed Session for the purpose of:

- A. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals, who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body, or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

Motion made by Denise Lear, seconded by Jacqueline San Diego, to enter into Closed Session.

Roll Call: Ayes; Denise Lear, Jacqueline San Diego, Robert Surano and Margie Taylor.

Nays; None

Motion carried and the Board entered Closed Session at 7:59 p.m.

There being no further business, the Board exited Closed Session at 8:59 p.m. and resumed Open Session.

Other Business

Superintendent's Employment Contract

President Taylor asked for a motion that the Board of Education approve the Superintendent's Employment Contract as presented.

Motion made by Robert Surano, seconded by Denise Lear.

Roll Call: Ayes; Robert Surano, Denise Lear, Margie Taylor, and Jacqueline San Diego.

Nays; None.

Motion carried

Administrator Employment Contract

President Taylor asked for a motion that the Board of Education approve the Administrator Contract for Dr. April Miller, Director of Human Resources, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 as presented.

Motion made by Denise Lear, seconded by Jacqueline San Diego.

Roll Call: Ayes; Denise Lear, Jacqueline San Diego, Margie Taylor, and Robert Surano.

Nays; None.

Motion carried

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the board motioned to adjourn.

Ayes; All in favor. **Nays;** None.

Roll Call: Denise Lear, Jacqueline San Diego, Robert Surano, and Margie Taylor.

Motion carried unanimously and the meeting stood adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

Dated: _____

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education