



CASS SCHOOL DISTRICT 63

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Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 15, 2015

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT 63, DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS; HELD AT CASS DISTRICT 63 AT 7:30 P.M. ON THE 15TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2015.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Upon roll being called the following members answered present: President Mike Webster, Vice President Rich Brandeis, Secretary Shelly Camden, Member Kent Absalonsen, Member Jeff McCollian and Member Michael Ockrim (Arrived at 7:25pm). Member Steve Alavi was absent.

Also in attendance:

Kerry J. Foderaro, Superintendent

Laura Anderson, Concord Elementary School Principal

Robert Strande, District Director of Fiscal Services

CLOSED SESSION

Secretary Camden moved and Member McCollian seconded a motion to enter into Closed Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee or employees of the District.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Open Session returned at 7:48 PM.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Webster

Vice President Brandeis

Secretary Camden

Member Absalonsen

Member McCollian

Member Ockrim

Motion carried, 6 to 0.



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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Superintendent Foderaro introduced Cass Junior High School Math Teacher Mike McLean, who in turn invited students Will Gallagher, Elijah John, Ryan Mueller and Peyton Wiley to lead the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance. These students compete on the Cass Junior High School math team.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE

President Webster welcomed:

Karen Hyder
Viju John
Karen Mueller
Sean Gallagher
Mary Wiley

Mike McLean
Liju John
Ryan Mueller
Katie Gallagher
Michael Wiley

Fred Amos
Elijah John
Will Gallagher
Peyton Wiley

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Approval of Minutes of the November 17, 2015 Board of Education Meeting
- B. Receipt of Budget Report – November, 2015
- C. Approval of Payroll – November, 2015
- D. Approval of Bills – December, 2015
- E. Review of Investments – November, 2015
- F. Approval of Personnel Report
- G. Approved Maintaining Closed Session Minutes Status

Vice President Brandeis moved and Secretary Camden seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended to include additional bills.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Webster

Vice President Brandeis

Secretary Camden

Member Absalonsen

Member McCollan

Member Ockrim



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Motion carried, 6 to 0.

REPORTS

A. Cass 63 Foundation for Educational Excellence

Superintendent Foderaro highlighted the raffle fundraiser which raised approximately \$2,000.

B. Parent Teacher Club (PTC)

Superintendent Foderaro stated that the PTC Santa Dance was Friday, December 11 and was very well attended.

C. Fine Arts Boosters

Superintendent Foderaro highlighted the holiday concerts throughout the months of November and December.

D. Administrators' Reports

Principal Anderson shared events at Concord Elementary School highlighting the toy drive which is the Concord Elementary School service project for the holiday season.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion of Board of Education Committees

- Chairperson Brandeis shared that the next Community Connections Newsletter will be going out in the mail shortly.

B. Discussion and Possible Action on Second Reading of Recommended Board of Education Policies



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Committee Chairperson Camden stated that policies updates have been reviewed by and recommended for approval by the Policy and Planning Committee.

Secretary Camden moved and Vice President Brandeis seconded a motion to approve the Board of Education recommended policies as presented.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Webster
Vice President Brandeis
Secretary Camden
Member Absalonsen
Member McCollian
Member Ockrim

Motion carried, 6 to 0.

C. Discussion and Possible Action on Recommended 2015 Tax Levy Resolution

Director of Fiscal Services Strande reviewed the Tax Levy with the Board of Education explaining that the District is submitting a levy for 3.00% but that it will more than likely collect only .80% as a result of the tax cap.

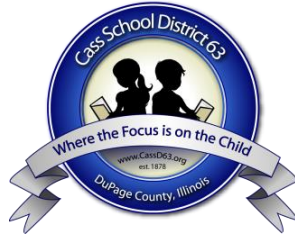
Vice President Brandeis moved and Member Ockrim seconded a motion to approve the recommended 2015 Tax Levy Resolution as presented.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Webster
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Motion carried, 6 to 0.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion and Possible Action on Recommended Resolution Authorizing a Supplemental Property Tax Levy to Pay the Principal of and Interest on Outstanding Limited Bonds of the District

Director of Fiscal Services Strande reviewed the need to have this supplemental property tax levy. This resolution will help the District capture an approximate amount of \$950.00 additional for the year.

Secretary Camden moved and Member McCollian seconded a motion to approve the recommended Supplemental Tax Levy as presented.

Roll call

Aye

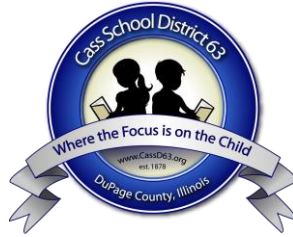
Nay

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Motion carried, 6 to 0.

- B. Discussion and Possible Action on Recommended 2015 Tax Abatement Resolution

Director of Fiscal Services Strande explained that the District has established two of its bonds to be paid through the District's Operation and Maintenance Fund. Every year the District needs to abate those dollars (approximately \$295,000) from the District's Bond and Interest Fund and then file a resolution with the County Clerk. If the District does not do this the District would double the tax



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collection for these two bonds .

Vice President Brandeis moved and Member Absalonsen seconded a motion to approve the Bond and Interest Tax Abatement Resolution as presented.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Webster

Vice President Brandeis

Secretary Camden

Member Absalonsen

Member McCollian

Member Ockrim

Motion carried, 6 to 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

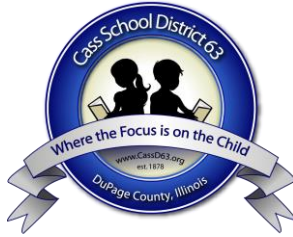
- Superintendent Foderaro introduced Manager Fred Amos from ARAMARK.

BOARD MEMBER REMARKS

- President Webster attended the Hinsdale South High School Sports and Scholars Awards and there were quite a few Cass School District 63 alumni honored.
- Secretary Camden attended the Band performance and she was very impressed by the Seventh and Eighth Grade Jazz Bands.
- Superintendent Foderaro shared that the Hinsdale High School District 86 feeder elementary school districts have asked the high schools to have freshman students take a survey during the first half of their freshman year regarding their elementary school experience to better plan for this transition in the educational process.

BOARD SECRETARY ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE

- The next Regular Board of Education Meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 in the District Community Room.



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- The Board received a thank you note from Concord Elementary School Teacher Greg Kirchen.

ADJOURNMENT

Secretary Camden moved and Vice President Brandeis seconded a motion to adjourn the Regular Board of Education Meeting for December 15, 2015 at 8:23 p.m.

Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried, 6 to 0.

President, Board of Education

Attest: _____
Secretary, Board of Education

Attest for Distribution: _____
Secretary, Board of Education