



CASS SCHOOL DISTRICT 63

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Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 19, 2016

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 19TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2016

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 Steve Alavi, Member Jeff McCollian and Member Michael Ockrim (Arrived at 7:20pm).

Also in attendance:

Kerry J. Foderaro, Superintendent
Laura Anderson, Concord Elementary School Principal
Christine Marcinkewicz, Cass Junior High 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 7:40 PM.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Webster

Vice President Brandeis

Secretary Camden

Member Absalonsen

Member Alavi

Member McCollian

Member Ockrim



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Motion carried, 7 to 0.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Superintendent Foderaro invited Concord Elementary School Students, Parth Joshi, Miguel Mejia, Annika Nicole and Jill Patel to lead the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE

President Webster welcomed:

Karen Hyder
Annika Nicole
Maria Herrera
Amy Malone

Andy Nicole
Amit Joshi
Terry Murphy
Jahn Patel

Cami Nicole
Parth Joshi
Stacey Wentz

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Approval of Minutes of the December 15, 2015 Board of Education Closed Meeting
- B. Approval of Minutes of the December 15, 2015 Board of Education Meeting
- C. Receipt of Budget Report – December, 2015
- D. Approval of Payroll – December, 2015
- E. Approval of Bills – January, 2016
- F. Review of Investments – December, 2015
- G. Approval of Personnel Report

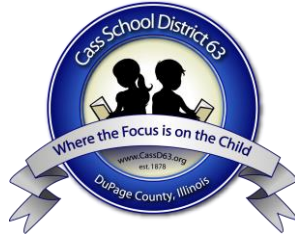
Secretary Camden moved and Member Absalonsen seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended to include additional bills.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Webster
Vice President Brandeis
Secretary Camden
Member Absalonsen
Member Alavi



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Member McCollian

Member Ockrim

Motion carried, 7 to 0.

REPORTS

A. Cass School District 63 Foundation for Educational Excellence Report

The Cass 63 Foundation for Educational Excellence is busy planning the upcoming annual Golf Outing.

B. Discussion and Possible Action on Donation by the Cass 63 Foundation for Educational Excellence Donation

Superintendent Foderaro presented a donation from the Cass 63 Foundation that will go towards both the Seventh Grade Mock Newberry Program and Kindergarten Student Tablet Applications.

Vice President Brandeis moved and Member Alavi seconded a motion to accept the generous donation of \$1,753.66 from the Cass 63 Foundation as presented.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Webster

Vice President Brandeis

Secretary Camden

Member Absalonsen

Member Alavi

Member McCollian

Member Ockrim

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C. Cass School District 63 Parent Teacher Club (PTC) Report



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Superintendent Foderaro shared that the PTC will not be sponsoring a parent social event fundraiser this school year. They are considering hosting a family game night later in the winter.

D. Fine Arts Boosters (FAB) Report

There was no report

E. Administrators' Reports

Principal Marcinkewicz highlighted the meetings taking place with Hinsdale South High School involving students and parents to help transition the Eighth Grade Students to high school.

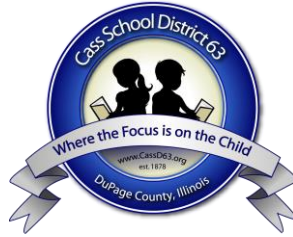
Principal Anderson highlighted the upcoming visit from the Lemont-Bromberek School District 113A to observe the Reading/Language Arts Program.

Superintendent Foderaro introduced Director of Special Services, Terry Murphy, who in turn introduced Stacy Wentz, SASED Hearing Impaired Coordinator who spoke to the Board about the Hearing Impaired Program. Director Murphy then introduced District 63 Social Worker, Amy Malone who gave a brief overview of the Social Work program in the District.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion of Board of Education Committees

- Chairperson Brandeis shared that the next Community Connections Newsletter has been mailed out.
- Superintendent Foderaro shared that he and Coordinator of Fiscal Services, Deborah Dolehide have been attending meetings for a new software program that will assist in making financial projections and budgets. The Finance Committee will be meeting in the next few months to discuss the proposed 2017 Fiscal Year Budget.



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NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion and Possible Action on District-Wide Phone System and Service Lease Agreement and Contract

The Director of Technology and her team worked at looking at new and more up to date phone systems for the District as the current phone system is outdated and is no longer supported. She, along with District Coordinator of Data and Assessment, Katie Girardot and District Director of Buildings and Grounds, Wayne Ostrowski, researched a phone system that actually saves the District \$384/month over the current phone system. This system is a voiceover IP system. The District will lease to own over a five-year period.

Member Alavi moved and Vice President Brandeis seconded a motion to approve the Phone System Lease and Service Contract as presented.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Webster

Vice President Brandeis

Secretary Camden

Member Absalonsen

Member Alavi

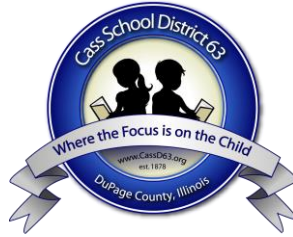
Member McCollian

Member Ockrim

Motion carried, 7 to 0.

- B. Discussion and Possible Action on School Parking Lots Lighting Contract

Superintendent Foderaro reviewed the recommended contract, the need to upgrade and highlighted that this will provide the parking lots with more energy efficient lights in the parking lots at both schools.



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Vice President Brandeis moved and Member Absalonsen seconded a motion to approve the Parking Light Contract as presented.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Webster

Vice President Brandeis

Secretary Camden

Member Absalonsen

Member Alavi

Member McCollian

Member Ockrim

Motion carried, 7 to 0.

C. Discussion and Possible Action Authorizing Administration to Prepare the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget

Superintendent Foderaro shared that it is required that the Board of Education give formal direction to the Administration to begin preparation on the 2016/17 school year budget. The tentative budget will be presented to the Board in May or June and the final budget must be adopted by the end of September.

Secretary Camden moved and Member McCollian seconded a motion to authorize the Administration to begin preparing the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget.

Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried, 7 to 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- There was no public comment.

BOARD MEMBER REMARKS



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- Member Alavi stated that he met the State of Illinois First Lady, Diana Rauner at a meeting he was at recently and there was a discussion about early education. She asked directly about what different districts are doing for their Early Childhood Education and Kindergarten Programs and she was very impressed with what Cass School District 63 is offering to the school community.
- Vice President Brandeis stated how outstanding the Cass School District 63 PARCC results were and that the staff and students did an outstanding job in preparation.

BOARD SECRETARY ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE

- The next Regular Board of Education Meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 16, 2016 in the District Community Room.
- The District received one FOIA request.

ADJOURNMENT

Secretary Camden moved and Vice President Brandeis seconded a motion to adjourn the Regular Board of Education Meeting for January 19 at 8:33 p.m.

Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried, 7 to 0.

President, Board of Education

Attest: _____
Secretary, Board of Education

Attest for Distribution: _____
Secretary, Board of Education