



CASS SCHOOL DISTRICT 63

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Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 21, 2017

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT 63, DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS; HELD AT CASS SCHOOL DISTRICT 63 AT 7:30 P.M. ON THE 21ST DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2017.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. Upon roll being called, the following members answered present: President Mike Webster, Vice President Brandeis, Secretary Shelly Camden, Member Kent Absalonsen, Member Steve Alavi, Member Jeff McCollian and Member Michael Ockrim. Member Michael Ockrim was absent.

Also in attendance:

Kerry J. Foderaro, Superintendent

Laura Anderson, Concord Elementary School Principal

CLOSED SESSION

Vice President Brandeis moved and Secretary Camden 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. Voice Vote; motion carried, 6 to 0.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Open Session returned at 7:43 p.m.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Webster

Vice President Brandeis

Secretary Camden

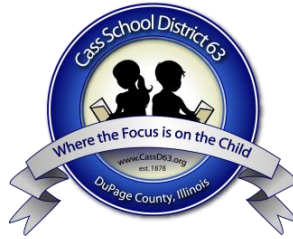
Member Absalonsen

Member Alavi

Member McCollian

Motion carried, 6 to 0.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE



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President Webster welcomed:

Karen Hyder
Aubrey Deguzman
Darwynn Carter

Rodolfo Deguzman
Megan Duffy
April Carter

Ella Deguzman
Ben Carter

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board of Education welcomed Cass Junior High School Band Participants, Ben Carter and Aubrey Deguzman who led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Approval of Minutes of the January 17, 2017 Board of Education Closed Meeting
- B. Approval of Minutes of the January 17, 2017 Board of Education Meeting
- C. Receipt of Budget Report - January, 2017
- D. Approval of Payroll - January, 2017
- E. Approval of Bills - February, 2017
- F. Review of Investments - January, 2017
- G. Approval of Personnel Report

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

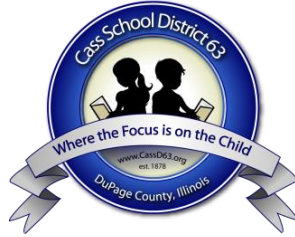
Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Webster
Vice President Brandeis
Secretary Shelly Camden
Member Absalonsen
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Member McCollan

Motion carried, 6 to 0.



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REPORTS

A. Cass School District 63 Foundation for Educational Excellence Report

Superintendent Foderaro shared that as of the Foundation's February meeting, all three parent organizations have approved to merge the three organizations into one. The organizations merger will maintain the Cass 63 Foundation for Educational Excellence's 501(c)(3) status.

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

Member Alavi moved and Member Absalonsen seconded a motion to accept the generous donation of \$1,000 from the Cass School District 63 Foundation for Educational Excellence for Kindergarten Book Baggies as presented.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Webster

Vice President Brandeis

Secretary Shelly Camden

Member Absalonsen

Member Alavi

Member McCollian

Motion carried, 6 to 0.

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

There was no report.

D. Fine Arts Boosters (FAB) Report

There was no report.

E. Administrators' Reports



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Dr. Anderson stated that Concord Elementary School recently held Kindergarten Round-up and currently there are 52 Kindergartens signed up for the 2017/18 school year. She added that 17 students attended the most recent Prekindergarten Screening. The next screening is scheduled for August.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion of Board of Education Committees

Superintendent Foderaro stated that Finance Committee Members Neil Christensen and Ivan Matsunaga both decided to step off the Committee and he wanted to express publicly the appreciation of the Board and Administration for their service. He further shared that President Webster agreed to continue as a Finance Committee Member after he steps off the Board of Education in May.

Chairperson Brandeis shared that Community Connections Newsletter was sent out. The Committee has received many positive comments about this latest issue.

Director of Teaching and Learning Anderson stated that the Teaching and Learning Committee would be coming to the Board by May with Math curriculum recommendations.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion of Five-Year Financial Projections

President Webster, Member Alavi and Superintendent Foderaro shared financial consultant PMA's five-year District projections.

B. Discussion and Possible Action on 2017/18 School Fees, Prekindergarten Tuition & B.A.S.E. Fees

Superintendent Foderaro reviewed the recommended fee increases for the 2017/18 school year. The recommendation is to increase school fees by 2.1%, B.A.S.E. fees by 5%, Prekindergarten tuition by 2.1% and no increase for transportation or lunch fees.



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Member Alavi moved and Vice President Brandeis seconded a motion to accept the 2017/18 School Years fees and tuition as presented.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Webster

Vice President Brandeis

Secretary Shelly Camden

Member Absalonsen

Member Alavi

Member McCollan

Motion carried, 6 to 0.

- C. Discussion and Possible Action on Board Authorization to Administration to begin the 2018 Fiscal Year Budget Process

Superintendent Foderaro shared that the Administration needs the Board of Education's authorization to begin work on the Fiscal Year 2018 Budget.

Vice President Brandeis moved and Member Absalonsen seconded a motion to authorize the Administration to begin the 2018 Fiscal Year Budget process.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Webster

Vice President Brandeis

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Motion carried, 6 to 0.

- D. Discussion on Transportation Program Merger



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Superintendent Foderaro shared with the Board of Education the progress on the possibility of merging Transportation services with Center Cass School District 66. This opportunity, if the Boards approve, will allow Cass School District 63 to share Center Cass District 66's Transportation Director and this individual would then manage the buses, drivers and routes for the District through an intergovernmental agreement. Looking forward to the 2018/19 school year and beyond, it is possible other neighboring school districts may join in this shared services' merger.

It was also stated that there would be no shift to the current offerings of the District (i.e., early morning routes for Band and Chorus and the Activity Bus). Additionally, at this time, the District Bus Drivers would remain employees of Cass School District 63.

The Administration will be recommending an intergovernmental agreement with Center Cass School District 66 prior to the end of this school year.

E. Discussion of SASSED Governing Board

There was no discussion on this Agenda item.

F. Discussion of Setting a Meeting for the Seating of the New Board

Superintendent Foderaro stated that the new Board of Education must be seated no more than 28 days from the date of the April 4 election. Due to having to wait for the DuPage County Election Commission to certify the results, the Board will have the options of April 25 or May 2 to seat the Board. The Board will be asked to take action on setting a Special Board Meeting date at the March 21 Board of Education meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- There were no public comments.

BOARD MEMBER REMARKS



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- Member Alavi shared that the Darien Woman’s Club Art Fair is scheduled to be held at Cass Junior High School this upcoming weekend and it is a great event.

BOARD SECRETARY ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE

- The next Regular Board of Education Meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 in the District Community Room.

Secretary Camden moved and Member McCollian seconded a motion to return to Closed Session at 8:48 p.m. for the purpose of discussing collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees

ADJOURNMENT

Secretary Camden moved and Member Alavi seconded a motion to adjourn the Regular Board of Education Meeting for January 17, 2017 at 9:30 p.m.

Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried, 4 to 0.

President, Board of Education

Attest: _____
Secretary, Board of Education

Attest for Distribution: _____
Secretary, Board of Education