



# CASS SCHOOL DISTRICT 63 NEWSLETTER

Wednesday, September 19, 2018

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

**Shelly Camden**, *President*  
**Richard Brandeis**, *Vice President*

**Kent Absalonsen**, **Alice Esposito**,  
**Jeff McCollan** and **Michael Ockrim**

## ADMINISTRATION

**Kerry J. Foderaro**, *Superintendent*  
**Laura Anderson**, *Concord Elementary School Principal*  
& *District Director of Teaching & Learning*  
**Christine Marcinkewicz**, *Cass Junior High School Principal*  
& *District Director of Technology*  
**Leland Wagner**, *Assistant Principal*  
**Robert Strande**, *District Director of Financial Services*

## Board of Education Highlights

*At the September 18, 2018 Board of Education Meeting, the Board:*



The Board of Education welcomed recently elected Cass Junior High School Student Council Officers, Collin Caldwell, Samanta Linceviciute, Nathan Ockrim and Cody Spingaure to lead the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Public Hearing for 2018/19 Budget

After a Public Hearing at which the final recommended budget was presented, the Board of Education approved a balanced budget for the 2018/19 school year. The approved 2018/19 District Budget can be found on the District's website at

[District Budget](#)

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*Cass School District 63*  
8502 Bailey Road • Darien, Illinois 60561-5333  
7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
331/481-4000 • Fax



### **Accepted the Resignation of Board Member**

The Board of Education regrettably accepted the Resignation of Board of Education Secretary Steven Alavi. Secretary Alavi was presented with a token of the Board of Education's appreciation for his dedication to the students, staff and community of Cass School District 63.

### **In other action, the Board**

- Approved a generous donation in the amount of \$1,936.64 from the CAss Resources for Enrichment (CARE) for various grant requests.



*The next regular Board of Education meeting will be held Tuesday, October 16, 2018, 7:30 p.m. at the District Administrative Office 8502 Bailey Road in Darien, Illinois.*



### **Administrators' Addendum**

Dear Cass School District 63 Community,

The Cass School District 63 Board of Education regrettably accepted Mr. Steve Alavi's resignation from the Board on Tuesday, September 18.

We are sincerely grateful for Mr. Alavi's service on the Board as an officer. In addition to his time on the Board, Mr. Alavi is a past member and President of the Cass 63 Foundation for Educational Excellence, a former District Parent Organization, as well as many other efforts in our school district. Cass School District 63 has benefited greatly from Mr. Alavi's time, efforts and talent.

As a result of this resignation, the Cass School District 63 Board of Education will look to fill this Board seat within the next month. If you are interested, or you know someone who might be interested in applying for this seven-month term,

please follow this link for more information about the application process.

### **[Interim Board of Education Opening](#)**

In addition to this immediate opening on our Board of Education, every two years in the spring, public school districts in Illinois have elections for their Board of Education. These Board seats are four-year terms and play a vital role in the leadership of their respective school districts.

In Cass School District 63, we have been extremely fortunate for many years to have dedicated Board Members who have been able to successfully and consistently lead the District to ensure it remains a high-performing, quality school district, while being excellent financial stewards for our school community as whole.

Current Board of Education Members are as follows:

- Mrs. Shelly Camden, President  
First elected: April, 2007  
Current Term Expires: April, 2019
- Mr. Richard Brandeis, Vice President  
First elected: April, 2007  
Current Term Expires: April, 2019
- Mr. Kent Absalonsen  
First elected: September, 2015  
Current Term Expires: April, 2021
- Mrs. Alice Esposito, Secretary  
First elected, April 2017  
Current Term Expires: April, 2019
- Mr. Jeffery McCollan  
First elected: October, 2015  
Current Term Expires: April, 2021
- Mr. Michael Ockrim  
First elected: April, 2013  
Current Term Expires: April, 2021

This Spring, the Cass School District 63 Board of Education will have four seats on the election ballot. These seats are open to any school community resident who is 18 years or older and who is

registered to vote. To learn more about Board of Education elections, please go to:

[www.IASB.com/elections/](http://www.IASB.com/elections/)

To access a candidate's registration packet, please visit the DuPage County's website at:

[DuPage County Election School Board  
Candidate Packet](#)

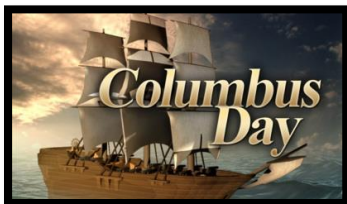
Under the For Candidates heading, please choose Format 2. If you have questions about this upcoming Spring's Cass School District 63 Board of Education election, please contact Gayle Wilson, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent.

*Kerry J. Foderaro  
Laura Anderson • Christine Marcinkewicz  
Leland Wagner • Robert Strande*

## Do Not Forget

**Early  
Release  
Day!**

- ☐ **EARLY RELEASE DAY**  
Friday, October 5, 2018  
Concord Elementary School, 11:15 a.m.  
Cass Junior High School, 12:00 p.m.



- ☐ **NO SCHOOL**  
Monday, October 8, 2018  
Columbus Day

## Things You Should Know

### New Bus Driver

Please welcome to the District Bus Driver, Mr. Ken Brooks.



Mr. Brooks is driving Bus Route 5. Please join us in welcoming him to Cass School District 63.

### NoteTotes

NoteTotes are distributed every Wednesday afternoon school is in session through email to each school family with a valid email address on file at the District.

NoteTotes contain very important school based information for parents along with information from the CAss Resources for Enrichment (CARE), the District's Parent Organization as well as information about community events and opportunities.

Following weekly distribution, NoteTotes remain posted on the District website, [www.CassD63.org](http://www.CassD63.org), for four weeks under [Parents & Students/NoteTotes](#).

Please look for your weekly NoteTotes each Wednesday and notify your child(ren)'s School Office if you do not receive them so that we may ensure we have the most up to date contact information for your family.