



CASS SCHOOL DISTRICT 63

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Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 18, 2018

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 18TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2018.

OPEN SESSION

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m. Upon roll being called, the following members answered present: President Shelly Camden, Vice President Rich Brandeis, Secretary Alavi, Member Kent Absalonsen, Member Alice Esposito, Member Jeff McCollian and Member Member Ockrim.

Also in attendance:

Kerry J. Foderaro, Cass School District 63
Laura Anderson, Concord Elementary School Principal
Christine Marcinkewicz, Cass Junior High School Principal

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Newly elected Cass Junior High School Student Council Officers, Collin Caldwell, Samanta Linceviciute, Nathan Ockrim and Cody Splingaire led the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Board of Education then asked them to talk about their plans for the coming school year.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE

President Camden welcomed:

Karen Hyder
Jessica Ruiz
Nathan Ockrim
Steve Leopolda
Cody Splingaire
Urszula Tanouye

Lia Lamb
Courtney Cozzolino
Erin Caldwell
Anya Schlottmann
Inesa Lin
Scott Kondraschow

Megan Duffy
Carey Ockrim
Collin Caldwell
Denise Splingaire
Samanta Linceviciute
Ken Kohnke



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PUBLIC COMMENT

- Urszula Tanouye spoke to the Board about the recent information regarding the Willowbrook company who has been identified by the EPA for releasing cancer causing chemicals into the air.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Approval of Minutes of the August 21, 2018 Board of Education Closed Meeting
- B. Approval of Minutes of the August 21, 2018 Board of Education Meeting
- C. Receipt of Budget Report – August, 2018
- D. Approval of Payroll – August, 2018
- E. Approval of Bills and Additional Bills – September, 2018
- F. Receipt of Investment Report– August, 2018
- G. Receipt of Open Meeting Act 5ILCS120 and Public Act 96-434 Reports
- H. Receipt of Sixth Day Enrollment Numbers

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

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Camden

Vice President Brandeis

Member Alavi

Member Absalonsen

Member Esposito

Member McCollian

Member Ockrim

Motion carried, 7 to 0.

REPORTS

- A. **C**ass Resources for Enrichment (CARE) Report



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Superintendent Foderaro shared that the most recent CARE meeting was very well attended.

B. Discussion of and Possible Action on **C**ass Resources for Enrichment (CARE) Donation

Member Ockrim moved and Member Esposito seconded a motion to approve the generous donation of \$1,936.64 by the CAss Resources for Enrichment (CARE) as presented.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Camden
Vice President Brandeis
Member Alavi
Member Absalonsen
Member Esposito
Member McCollian
Member Ockrim

Motion carried, 7 to 0.

C. Administrators' Reports

Principal Anderson shared that the beginning of the school year has gone very well. The new Early Childhood playground is open and the students are enjoying it. She added that all beginning of the year safety drills have been completed. Dr. Anderson then announced that Concord Elementary School has won the Indian Prairie Library summer reading award for the third year in a row.

Principal Marcinkewicz shared that Cass Junior High School has also had a great start to the school year.



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PUBLIC HEARING

President Camden opened up the Public Hearing to discuss the 2018/19 Proposed Budget. Superintendent Foderaro reviewed the Final Proposed Budget for the 2018/19 School year. He noted that the only change from the budget proposed in June was an addition in the Site and Construction Fund for an outstanding invoice that was anticipated to be paid prior to June 1 that will now be scheduled to be paid in this fiscal year.

The public hearing was closed at 8:00 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion of Board of Education Committees

- Principal Anderson shared that the Teaching and Learning Committee will research Social Sciences, Fine Arts, Physical Education and Spanish curriculum over this school year to be implemented in the 2019/20 school year.
- Superintendent Foderaro stated that the next Finance Committee Meeting is tentatively scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 16 before the regular October Board of Education Meeting.
- Superintendent Foderaro stated that the Facilities Committee will be meeting at the end of October or beginning of November.
- Chairperson Brandeis shared that the Community Connections Committee will be meeting in late October or early November

B. Discussion of and Possible Action on Fiscal Year 2019 Budget

Secretary Alavi moved and Member Esposito seconded a motion to approve Fiscal Year 2019 Budget as presented.



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Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Camden

Vice President Brandeis

Member Alavi

Member Absalonsen

Member Esposito

Member McCollian

Member Ockrim

Motion carried, 7 to 0.

New Business

A. Discussion of Possible Action on Resignation of Board of Education Member

Secretary Alavi submitted his resignation from the Board of Education effective at the close of this meeting.

Member McCollian moved and Member Ockrim seconded a motion to accept the Resignation Letter of Secretary Alavi effective at the end of the regularly scheduled Board Meeting as presented.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Camden

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Motion carried, 7 to 0.

Secretary Alavi was presented with a token of appreciation from the Board of Education for his years of service and dedication to Cass School District 63 and he expressed his gratefulness for the opportunity to serve over the years in this capacity with so many talented, dedicated and child-centered individuals.

B. Discussion of Interim Board Member Selection Process

Superintendent Foderaro reviewed the process to replace the open Board of Education seat. The Board has 45 days to find a replacement without the possible intervention of the Regional Office of Education. Applications will be sent out through NoteTotes on Wednesday, September 19.

Interviews of potential candidates who timely submitted their applications will be held on October 9, from 8:00-10:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- There was no public comment.

BOARD MEMBER REMARKS

- Secretary Alavi discussed how much he has appreciated the collaboration between the Darien Youth Club (DYC) and Cass School District 63.
- Vice President Brandeis thanked Secretary Alavi for his time and efforts on the Board of Education as well as his previous leadership of the Cass 63 Foundation for Educational Excellence and the Board of Education Finance Committee.

BOARD SECRETARY ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE

- The next Regular Board of Education Meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 16, 2018 in the District Community Room.



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- The District received a thank you note from former CARE Co-President Lana Johnson.
- The District received a FOIA request from Tina Chazinski.

CLOSED SESSION

Discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee or employees of the District.

Secretary Alavi moved and Vice President Brandeis seconded a motion to move into Closed Session at 8:15 p.m.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

A. Discussion of and Possible Action on Personnel Report

Member Ockrim moved and Secretary Alavi seconded a motion to approve the personnel recommendations as presented.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Camden
Vice President Brandeis
Member Alavi
Member Absalonsen
Member Esposito
Member McCollian
Member Ockrim

Motion carried, 7 to 0.

ADJOURNMENT

Secretary Alavi moved and Vice President Brandeis seconded a motion to adjourn the Regular Board of Education Meeting for September 18, 2018 at 8:48 p.m.



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

Shelly Camden, Board of Education President

Attest: _____
Rich Brandeis, Board of Education Vice President