

# **Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, October 16, 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 16TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2018.

### **OPEN SESSION**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Upon roll being called, the following members answered present: President Shelly Camden, Vice President Rich Brandeis, Member Kent Absalonsen, Member Alice Esposito, Member Jeff McCollian. Member Ockrim arrived at 8:03 p.m.

### 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

Concord Elementary School students Phuong Vu and Edward Kasprowicz led the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance. These two students were representing all students who participated in the Summer Reading Program at Indian Prairie Library. Concord Elementary School students earned the trophy for most books read for the third summer in a row, under the supervision of Learning Center Teacher Assistant, Beth Dooley.

### RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE

President Camden welcomed:

Lauren Hodge Karen Hyder Matt Etherington
Beth Dooley Jeff Grand Mike McLean
Phuong Vu Anh Vu Anh Nguyen
Edward Kasprowicz Dennis Kasprowicz Julie Kasprowicz

Leland Wagner



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# PUBLIC COMMENT

> There was no public comment.

#### APPOINTMENT OF NEW BOARD MEMBER

Superintendent Foderaro stated that at a recent Special Board of Education Meeting the Board of Education interviewed candidates to complete the remaining term of former Board of Education Secretary Steve Alavi.

Member Esposito moved and Member McCollian seconded a motion to approve Lana Johnson to complete the remaining term of the Vacated Seat on the Board of Education. Voice vote; Motion Carried 5 to 0.

### NEW BOARD MEMBER OATH

Superintendent Foderaro invited the Board of Education to stand and renew their oath with new Board of Education Member Johnson, as she took her Oath of Office.

#### **ELECTION OF NEW BOARD SECRETARY**

With the resignation of Secretary Alavi, the Board of Education needed to elect a new Board Secretary. After no formal nominations, Member Esposito volunteered for the role.

President Camden moved and Member McCollian seconded a motion to appoint Alice Esposito as Secretary, effective immediately.

Roll call

Aye Nay

President Camden

Vice President Brandeis

Member Absalonsen

Member Esposito

Member Johnson

Member McCollian

Motion carried, 6 to 0.



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### **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

- A. Approval of Minutes of the September 18, 2018 Board of Education Closed Meeting
- B. Approval of Minutes of the September 18, 2018 Board of Education Meeting
- C. Approval of Minutes of the September 18, 2018 Special Board of Education Meeting
- D. Approval of Minutes of the October 9, 2018 Special Board of Education Closed Meeting
- E. Approval of Minutes of the October 9, 2018 Special Board of Education Meeting
- F. Receipt of Budget Report September, 2018
- G. Approval of Payroll September, 2018
- H. Approval of Bills and Additional Bills October, 2018
- I. Receipt of Investment Report September, 2018
- J. Approval of Personnel Report

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

Roll call

<u>Aye</u> Nay

President Camden

Vice President Brandeis

Secretary Esposito

Member Absalonsen

Member Johnson

Member McCollian

Motion carried, 6 to 0.

#### **R**EPORTS

A. CAss Resources for Enrichment (CARE) Report

Member Johnson shared that the most recent CARE meeting was, once again, very well attended.



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B. Discussion of and Possible Action on **CA**ss **R**esources for **E**nrichment (CARE) Donation

Member Absalonsen moved and Secretary Esposito seconded a motion to approve the generous donation of \$1,116.00 by the CAss Resources for Enrichment (CARE) for the Third Grade to attend the Nutcracker Ballet as presented.

Roll call

<u>Aye</u> <u>Nay</u>

President Camden
Vice President Brandeis
Secretary Esposito
Member Absalonsen
Member Johnson
Member McCollian

Motion carried, 6 to 0.

# C. Administrators' Reports

Principal Anderson gave a brief update on Concord Elementary School, highlighting the Backpack Program, which provides food for the weekend for families in need in the District. She further shared that the District's English Language Learner (ELL) numbers are rising and that the District currently has 103 students in the program.

Principal Marcinkewicz gave brief update as well, highlighting the many students that tried out for and were accepted to the Illinois Music Education Association (IMEA).

Principal Anderson then reviewed the Kindergarten Assessment Program (KIDS) results, as well as the 2018 PARCC results. Principal Anderson added that PARCC will no longer be administered and it will be replaced by a similar test called, Illinois Assessments of Readiness.



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# **OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Discussion of Board of Education Committees
  - Chairperson Brandeis shared that the Community Connections Committee will be meeting in late October or early November
  - Principal Anderson shared that the Teaching and Learning Committee is working on the 2019/20 curriculum update.
  - Superintendent Foderaro stated that the Facilities Committee will be meeting October 30, 2018.
  - Superintendent Foderaro stated that Policy & Planning will be meeting on November 20, 2018.
- B. Discussion of Superintendent Selection Process

Superintendent Foderaro stated that the Board should consider starting the process of selecting a new Superintendent now and utilize the knowledge and experience of the current board, while still being able to give a voice to the new Board.

The Board decided that at the November Board of Education Meeting they will review a Superintendent Search Request for Proposal and then begin the process of interviewing Executive Search Firms at the December and/or January Board of Education meetings.

### **New Business**

A. Discussion of and Possible Action on the Acceptance of the Fiscal Year 2018 Financial Audit

Finance Committee Chairperson Esposito asked Director of Fiscal Services



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Strande to review the Fiscal Year 2018 Audit. He stated that the monthly reports the Board receives balanced exactly with the Audit. The audit was clean with no exceptions and will be submitted to the Regional Office Education, as well as posted on the District's website.

Secretary Esposito moved and Vice President seconded a motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2018 Financial Audit as presented.

Roll call

Ave Nay President Camden

Vice President Brandeis

Secretary Esposito

Member Absalonsen

Member Johnson

Member McCollian

Member Ockrim

Motion carried, 7 to 0.

B. Discussion of and Possible Action on District Property and Liability Insurance

Superintendent Foderaro reviewed the proposal for Property and Liability Insurance at a cost of \$86,200 which is up from \$82,950 last year.

Member Absalonsen moved and Member Ockrim seconded a motion to approve the Property and Liability Insurance Proposal as presented.

Roll call

Ave Nay

President Camden

Vice President Brandeis

Secretary Esposito

Member Absalonsen



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Member Johnson Member McCollian Member Ockrim

Motion carried, 7 to 0.

C. Discussion of Formal Position on Sterigenics

Superintendent Foderaro stated that at the September Board Meeting a community member suggested that the District consider requesting that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) evaluate the air quality in the District.

It was revealed that the EPA is already evaluating a neighboring school district within the "Red Zone," as well as the Village of Willowbrook and City of Darien. It was decided that the District will continue to monitor the situation and once the results from the evaluations are released, the District will discuss and proceed accordingly.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

➤ Teacher Matthew Etherington thanked the Board of Education for their continued support and welcomed new Board Member Lana Johnson.

#### **BOARD MEMBER REMARKS**

President Camden shared her congratulations on the performance of both the Seventh and Eighth Grade Volleyball teams.

# BOARD SECRETARY ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE

The next Regular Board of Education Meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 20, 2018 in the District Community Room.



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# **ADJOURNMENT**

Member Absalonsen moved and Member Ockrim seconded a motion to adjourn the Regular Board of Education Meeting for October 16, 2018 at 9:26 p.m.

Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried, 7 to 0.	
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Shelly Camden, Board of Education President	
Attack	
Attest:	
Alice Esposito, Board of Education Secretary	