



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
School District 45, DuPage County
Villa Park, Illinois

Regular Board Meeting: August 18, 2026

The Board of Education of School District No. 45, DuPage County, Illinois, met on the 18th day of August 2026, in regular session in the Administration Center Board Room, 255 W. Vermont Street, Villa Park, Illinois, at 6:31 p.m., according to the rules of the Board.

The meeting was called to order by President Judith Degnan, who presided. Members of the Board were present and absent as follows:

PRESENT: Mrs. Deborah Cain
Mrs. Judith Degnan, President
Mr. John Dorhauer
Mrs. Sarah Godzicki
Mrs. Carol Klamecki, Vice President
Dr. Allen Legutki, Secretary
Mrs. Katie Wagner

ABSENT:

Administrative staff members were present and absent as follows:

PRESENT: Ms. Christine Arado, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction
Dr. Brian Graber, Superintendent
Dr. Adam Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO
Mr. Mike Pinney, Chief Information Officer

ABSENT:

081826 (1) Call to Order

081826 (1a) Pledge of Allegiance

081826 (1b) District 45 Mission Statement

081826 (1c) Introduction of Director of Communications

Dr. Graber presented Ms. Claudia Garcia as the new Director of Communications. Dr. Graber offered congratulations to Ms. Garcia.

(See Official Board Book)

081826 (2) Comments Regarding Agenda: None

081826 (3) Public Comments: None

081826 (4)

Board of Education and Superintendent Comments:

Dr. Graber spoke of the activities happening at the start of the school year, which included new staff orientation, finalizing preparation in anticipation for staff returning. Dr. Graber spoke of Institute Day which occurred yesterday. Dr. Graber commended Mr. Tom Jackson for his wonderful work in District 45. Dr. Graber offered thanks to everyone who helped to get the school year off to a great start.

Mrs. Godzicki, Dr. Legutki offered thanks to Mr. Tom Jackson.

Mrs. Klamecki attended North Elementary School's kick off event.

Mrs. Wagner wished everyone a great first day of school tomorrow.

(See Official Board Book)

081826 (5)

Approval of Action Items (Discussion Agenda)

081826 (5a1-5a2)

**Approve District 45 Financial Reports (5a1-5a2)
5a1 Operating Statement; 5a2 Balance Sheet**

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to approve the Financial Reports as presented in Agenda Items 5a1-5a2.

Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, reviewed the financial information with the Board of Education.

(See Official Board Book)

Roll Call

Ayes: Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Degnan, Mr. Dorhauer, Mrs. Godzicki, Mrs. Klamecki, Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Wagner Nays: None

081826 (6)

Approval of Action Items (Consent Agenda): 6a – 6g

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to approve the Action Items as presented in Agenda Items 6a-6g.

081826 (6a)

Approve Payrolls

081826 (6b)

Approve Approve Check Listing

081826 (6b1)

Manual Checks

081826 (6b2)

Bills Payable

081826 (6c)

Approve Personnel Changes

081826 (6c1)

Termination(s)/Resignation(s)

081826 (6c2)

Appointments

081826 (6c3)

Leave(s) of Absence: None

081826 (6d)

Approve Meeting Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of August 11, 2026

081826 (6e)

Approve Closed Meeting Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of August 11, 2026

081826 (6f)

Approve Salary Adjustment(s)

081826 (6g)	Adopt PRESS Policy Draft Updates - Issue 122 (2:230, 5:40, 5:70, 5:240, 6:70, 6:80, 6:190, 7:130, 8:70) (See Official Board Book for copies of Agenda Items 6a--6g)
Roll Call	Ayes: Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Degnan, Mr. Dorhauer, Mrs. Godzicki, Mrs. Klamecki, Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Wagner Nays: None
081826 (7)	Information and Consideration
081826 (7a)	Staffing and Enrollment Update Dr. Graber, Superintendent, provided a staffing and enrollment update to the Board. (See Official Board Book)
081826 (7b)	Curriculum Report Ms. Arado, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction , presented a curriculum report to the Board. A discussion ensued. (See Official Board Book)
081826 (7c)	Referendum Update Dr. Graber, Superintendent, shared an update on the District 45 November referendum with the Board. A discussion ensued. (See Official Board Book)
081826 (7d)	D45 Athletic Boosters Update Dr. Graber, Superintendent, shared an update on the D45 Athletic Boosters with the Board. (See Official Board Book)
081826 (8)	Requests under Freedom of Information Act: None
081826 (9)	Adjournment to Executive Session At 7:38 p.m., Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki to adjourn to Executive Session for discussion of 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10).
Roll Call	Ayes: Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Degnan, Mr. Dorhauer, Mrs. Godzicki, Mrs. Klamecki, Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Wagner Nays: None
081826(10)	Reconvene Board Meeting At 8:27 p.m., Mrs. Godzicki moved, seconded by Mrs. Cain, to reconvene the Board Meeting.

Adjournment

At 8:27 p.m. Mrs. Godzicki moved, seconded by Mrs. Wagner, to adjourn the Board Meeting.

Certified to be correct:

President

Secretary