



Board of Education Meeting Cass School District 63

**District Community Room, 8502 Bailey Road, Darien,
Illinois 60561**

**Tuesday, October 21, 2025
7:00 PM**

Agenda

I. Welcome and Call to Order

Our Mission, Beliefs, and Values

Board Agreements and Protocols

Vision 2025 Strategic Plan

IASB Code of Conduct

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Roll Call

C. Recognition of Audience, Announcements and Correspondence

This is an opportunity to welcome guests, make announcements, and share Board correspondence.

The Board received FOIA requests from Steve Watts and Yiran Zhang.

D. Student and Staff Spotlight and Recognition

We have recently shined the spotlight on our custodial staff in honor of National Custodian Day. Thank you to Pete Alt, Dan Farias, and Tina Milutinovic at Concord, and Donna Gerren, Pete Pauley, and Steve Boutet at Cass. While they are not custodians, we are also grateful for Keith Monaco and Wayne Ostrowski for all that they do to help things run so well.

We also recognized Cass Junior High science teacher Susan Paszkowski for her great work organizing our team building activities for Cass students on our early dismissal days. The planning, scheduling, and logistics takes an incredible amount of time and it wouldn't happen without her!

E. Public Comments

This is the first opportunity for any guests to comment, per Board Policy 2:230.

II. **Consent Agenda**

The consent agenda allows for approval of routine action items together in one motion when discussion is typically unnecessary. Upon the request of any Board member, a consent agenda item can be withdrawn and placed on the regular agenda for independent consideration. Questions in advance of the meeting are appreciated in the event any background information needs to be obtained.

A. Approval of the October 21, 2025 Regular Meeting Agenda

B. Approval of the September 23, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

C. Approval of Personnel Recommendations

We received a resignation from Concord teacher assistant Rubaiyat Tasnova as she and her family are moving out of state.

D. Approval of Financial Reports

Following are the financial reports for this past month.

E. Approval of the District Bills

This is a light month, but I will briefly review a few bills at the meeting.

III. **Reports, Updates, and Informational Items**

A. Administrative Reports

Our principals are at the IPA Conference so they will not be in attendance. Here is an updated Enrollment Report, which reflects the preschool students who started in the district in the beginning of October.

B. Update and Discussion Regarding Phase III Facility Planning

The Facilities Committee met recently and we will highlight a few quick updates as our architects work on some planning and product recommendations in the background. This work will help us determine our Phase III projects for the summer of 2026. We will continue to update the [Facility and Safety Planning page](#), including the potential Phase III Options under consideration.

C. Review of the Property, Liability, and Worker Compensation Insurance Renewal

The total proposed increase for our Insurance Renewal is 4.75 percent, an increase of just over just under \$7,000. Page 9 has the pricing details, and the various lines of coverage are on the remaining pages.

Questions are welcome prior to approval later in the meeting. The renewal is effective November 1.

D. Review of the 2025 IASB Resolutions Committee Report

During the Joint Annual Conference, the [Delegate Assembly](#) holds its annual meeting for the purpose of approving proposed resolutions. Here is the [2025 Resolutions Committee Report](#), which includes the resolutions to be considered and acted on during the Delegate Assembly.

Our recent practice has been to discuss items at the November meeting that members think should be considered for a different vote from our delegate than the recommendation provided in the report. Later in this meeting, there is an action item to approve a representative to the assembly who will vote on behalf of our Board. Urszula Tanouye has been the appointee in recent years.

E. Second Reading of Recommended Board Policy Updates

As noted during last month's meeting, the recommended Board policy updates are largely five year reviews, with the exception of Policy 2:80 which is the Board Member Oath and Conduct, which includes a question related to members who violate their oath of office. The Board will be asked to approve these recommendations under action items.

IV. **Recommended Action Items**

- A. Appointment of Representative to the 2025 IASB Delegate Assembly
- B. Approval of Property, Liability, and Worker Compensation Insurance Renewal
- C. Approval of Recommended Board Policy Updates
- D. Approval of

V. **Closed Session**

The screening interviews were very successful and Cathie Pezanoski will be in person and Bob Carlo will join by phone to review the recommended candidates for Board interviews. Hard copies of the applications for those candidates will be provided at the meeting, and other information will be shared separately to review prior to the meeting, including a draft set of questions, leadership profile, and other necessary information. Cathie and Bob feel it is important to allow them to review this information with you in person at the meeting. Please reach out with any questions.

VI. **Conclusion**

- A. Public Comments

This is the second opportunity for any guests in the audience to share public comments, per Board Policy 2:230.

B. Board Member Comments

This is the opportunity for Board members to share any comments, as well as to announce the next meeting date, time, and location.

C. Adjournment