



CASS SCHOOL DISTRICT 63

8502 Bailey Road • Darien, Illinois 60561-5333

Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 16, 2020

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 JUNE, 2020.

CLOSED SESSION

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

Vice President Absalonsen moved and Member Johnson seconded a motion to go into Closed Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee or employees of the District.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Camden

Vice President Absalonsen

Secretary Esposito

Member Carrino

Member Johnson

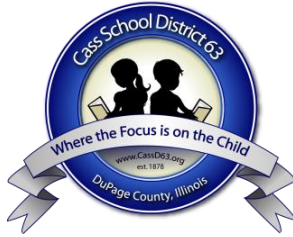
Member McCollian

Motion carried, 6 to 0.

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 (via video conference), Vice President Kent Absalonsen (via video conference), Secretary Esposito (via video conference), Member Brad Carrino (via video conference), Member Lana Johnson (via video conference), Member Jeff McCollian (via video conference). Member Michael Ockrim (arrived at 7:35 p.m. via video conference).

Also in attendance:



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Kerry J. Foderaro, Superintendent of Schools
Mark Cross, Superintendent of Schools In-Waiting
Laura Anderson, Concord Elementary School Principal (via video conference)
Deb Dolehide, District Coordinator of Fiscal Services (via video conference)
Christine Marcinkewicz, Cass Junior High School Principal (via video conference)
Robert Strande, District Director of Fiscal Services (via video conference)
Gayle Wilson, Recording Secretary and Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE

President Camden presided over the meeting and welcomed:

Katie Fujiura Michelle Prier Mike Webster (via video conference)
Mary Ebel (via video conference) Nathan Prier (via video conference)

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Michelle Prier addressed the Board in regards to her son being inadvertently left off the Eighth Grade Graduation video.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Approval of Minutes of the May 19, 2020 Board of Education Closed Meeting
- B. Approval of Minutes of the May 19, 2020 Board of Education Meeting
- C. Receipt of Budget Report – May, 2020
- D. Approval of Payroll – May, 2020
- E. Approval of Bills and Additional Bills – June, 2020
- F. Receipt of Investment Report – May, 2020
- G. Approval of Personnel Report
- H. Approval of Maintaining Status of Closed Session Minutes
- I. Approval of Prevailing Wage Resolution
- J. Approval of ARAMARK Food Service Contract



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Member Johnson moved and Secretary Esposito seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended to include Additional Bills.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

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Member Carrino

Member Johnson

Member McCollian

Member Ockrim

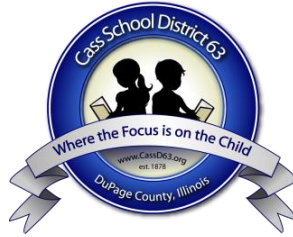
Motion carried, 7 to 0.

REPORTS

- A. **CAss Resources for Enrichment (CARE) Report**
- B. Discussion of and Possible Action on **CAss Resources for Enrichment (CARE) Donations**

Superintendent Foderaro stated that CAss Resources for Enrichment (CARE) is donating \$2,500.00 for Band Marching Uniforms and \$5,000.00 for summer student lunches. The \$5,000.00 for lunches was donated to CARE by First Merchant's Bank of Darien, with the understanding that CARE would then donate it to the District to support school families negatively impacted by the Coronavirus/Covid-19 pandemic.

*Secretary Esposito moved and Member Johnson seconded a motion to approve the generous donation of \$7,500.00 total by the **CAss Resources for Enrichment (CARE)** which \$2,500.00 is for Band Marching Uniforms and \$5,000.00 is for summer student lunches as presented.*



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Roll call

Aye

Nay

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Secretary Esposito

Member Carrino

Member Johnson

Member McCollian

Member Ockrim

Motion carried, 7 to 0.

C. Discussion of and Possible Action on **CAss Resources for Enrichment (CARE)**
2020/21 Proposed Budget

Superintendent Foderaro reviewed the 2020/21 Budget in the amount of \$33,200 of the CAss Resources for Enrichment (CARE).

Secretary Esposito moved and Vice President Absalonsen seconded a motion to approve the 2020/21 Budget in the amount of \$33,200 of the CAss Resources for Enrichment (CARE) as presented.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

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D. Administrators' Reports

- Principals Anderson discussed the end of the year activities at Concord Elementary School highlighting the Concord Elementary School's Curriculum in regards to diversity awareness.
- Principal Marcinkewicz discussed the end of the year Cass Junior High School events and also highlighted Cass Junior High School's Curriculum in regards to diversity awareness.

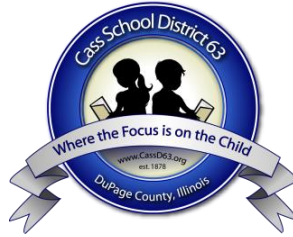
OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion of Board of Education Committees

- Chairperson Johnson stated that the Community Connections Committee Meeting will be held in the fall.
- Superintendent Foderaro stated that the next Facilities Committee Meeting will be held in the fall.
- Chairperson Esposito stated that the Tentative Fiscal Year 2021 Budget will be presented later in the meeting.
- Chairperson Camden stated that the next set of recommended Policies are being presented later in this meeting.
- Director of Teaching and Learning Anderson stated work will begin on implementing the newly adopted curriculum over the summer.

B. Discussion of and Possible Action on Recommended Board of Education Policies - Second Reading

Policy and Planning Committee Chairperson Camden reviewed the recommended Board of Education Policy Updates.



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Vice President Absalonsen moved and Member Johnson seconded a motion to approve the Recommended Board of Education Policies as presented.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Camden

Vice President Absalonsen

Secretary Esposito

Member Carrino

Member Johnson

Member McCollian

Member Ockrim

Motion carried, 7 to 0.

New Business

A. Discussion of and Possible Action on Fiscal Year 2021 Tentative Budget

Superintendent Foderaro and Director of Fiscal Services Strande reviewed the Tentative Budget with the Board of Education.

Finance Committee Chair Esposito then thanked retiring Director Strande for all he has done for the Board of Education and the Committee. Director Strande then thanked the Board of Education for all of their support and said what a pleasure it has been to work with everyone over these years.

Secretary Esposito moved and Vice President Absalonsen seconded a motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2021 Tentative Budget as presented.

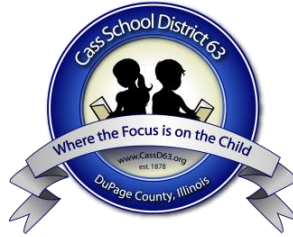
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Aye

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Vice President Absalonsen



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Member Carrino
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Member McCollian
Member Ockrim

Motion carried, 7 to 0.

B. Discussion of and Possible Action on Resolution Appointing School Treasurer & Surety Bonds

Superintendent Foderaro stated that the District is required annually to appoint or re-appoint a District Treasurer for the next Fiscal year, as of July 1. Superintendent Foderaro has been the District Treasurer since 2005. In working with incoming Superintendent Cross, President Camden and Secretary/Finance Committee Chair Esposito, the recommendation for the 2020/21 Treasurer is former Board of Education President, CPA and Attorney, Mike Webster.

Superintendent Foderaro added that the Board is also required to approve Treasurer's Surety Bonds for the new District Treasurer.

Member Ockrim moved and Member Johnson seconded a motion to approve the Resolution to Appoint Mike Webster as Cass School District 63's Treasurer as presented.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

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Motion carried, 7 to 0.

Secretary Esposito moved and Member Carrino seconded a motion to approve the Treasurer's Surety Bonds as presented.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Camden

Vice President Absalonsen

Secretary Esposito

Member Carrino

Member Johnson

Member McCollian

Member Ockrim

Motion carried, 7 to 0.

C. Discussion of and Possible Action on School Bus Lease Agreement

Superintendent Foderaro stated that the Administration is recommending that the Board approve the five-year lease to own of a one-year old, large school bus to replace, by trading in the oldest bus in the District's fleet.

Member Johnson moved and Vice President Absalonsen seconded a motion to approve the School Bus Lease as presented.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Camden

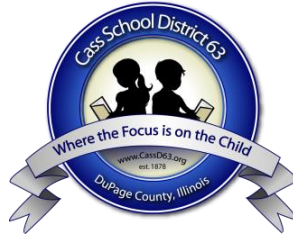
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Member Ockrim

Motion carried, 7 to 0.

D. Discussion of and Possible Action on 2020/21 Board of Education Meeting Dates & Times

Superintendent Foderaro reviewed the 2020/21 Board of Education Meeting Dates which are recommended to remain on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m., except in July when there is no meeting. The only other exception to this will be the April, 2021 Meeting which is recommended be held on April 27 to accommodate the canvassing of the Board of Education election so that the new Board of Education may be seated in a timely manner.

Secretary Esposito moved and Vice President Absalonsen seconded a motion to approve the 2020/21 Board of Education Meeting Dates and Times as presented.

Roll call

Aye

Nay

President Camden

Vice President Absalonsen

Secretary Esposito

Member Carrino

Member Johnson

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E. Discussion of 2020/21 Tentative Board of Education Agenda Items

Superintendent Foderaro briefly reviewed the tentative agenda items for each month during the 2020/21 School Year.



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PUBLIC COMMENT

- CEA President Katie Fujiura thanked retiring Superintendent Kerry Foderaro for his 15 years in the District.
- Incoming Superintendent Mark Cross wished Superintendent Foderaro well in his retirement, thanked him for doing such a great job preparing him for the transition and thanked the Board for putting their trust in him to take the helm on July 1.

BOARD MEMBER REMARKS

- Member Johnson presented Superintendent Foderaro with a “KudoBoard,” which gathered sentiments from many different past and present Board Members, staff, parents and community members to wish Superintendent Foderaro well in his retirement.
- Superintendent Foderaro took a moment to thank the Board of Education, staff, students and community members for the special recognition. He also stated it was his honor and privilege to serve as the Cass School District 63 Superintendent of Schools and thanked the Board of Education for the tremendous opportunity. Finally, he wished Superintendent Cross the best and told the Board that they have made an excellent selection.
- President Camden then shared, on behalf of the Board of Education, their sincerest appreciation for all that Superintendent Foderaro has done for the students, staff and community of Cass School District and wished him well as he heads into retirement.

BOARD SECRETARY ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE

- The next Regular Board of Education Meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 in the District Community Room.



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- The Board of Education received thank you notes from:
Bob Novak, Cass School District 63 Bus Driver
- The Board of Education received the following FOIA Request:
Request from ABC7.

ADJOURNMENT

Secretary Esposito moved and Member Johnson seconded a motion to adjourn this Board of Education Meeting of June 16, 2020 at 8:29 p.m. Voice vote; All Ayes. Motion Carried, 7 to 0.

Shelly Camden, Board of Education President

Attest: _____
Alice Esposito, Board of Education Secretary