

**Minutes of the Special Board of Education Meeting held on
Wednesday, July 28, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in Board Rooms 215, 216, & 217
at 126 S. York Street, Elmhurst, IL, DuPage County**

Call to Order: President Caforio called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Board of Education	Present	Absent
Mrs. Kara Caforio - President	x	
Mr. Chris Kocinski - Vice- President	x	
Mrs. Courtenae Trautmann - Secretary	x	
Mrs. Athena Arvanitis		x
Mr. James Collins	x	
Mrs. Elizabeth Hosler	x	
Mrs. Karen Stuefen	x	

President Caforio stated there are 6 board members present and 1 absent, we have a quorum present.

Administration	Present	Absent
Dr. Keisha Campbell - Superintendent	x	
Mr. Rudy Gomez	x	
Mr. Scott Grens	x	
Mr. Luke Pavone	x	
Mrs. Beverly Redmond	x	
Mr. Kevin Rubenstein	x	
Mr. Chris Whelton	x	

Public in Attendance: 58

Closed Session

President Caforio asked for a motion to adjourn to closed session at 6:08 p.m to discuss matters relating to The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity; AND Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2); AND Security procedures, school building safety and security, and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public, or public property. 5 ILCS 12/2(c)(8) AND Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent.

Mrs. Trautmann moved and Mrs. Steufen seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mrs. Trautmann, Mrs. Steufen, Mr. Kocinski, Mrs. Hosler, Mr. Collins, and Mrs. Caforio voted aye. Motion carried. Mrs. Arvanitis was absent.

Reconvene to Open Session

President Caforio asked for a motion to reconvene to Open Session at 7:25 p.m. Mrs. Trautmann moved and Mrs. Caforio seconded the motion session. Voice Vote - the motion was declared and carried.

Pledge of Allegiance: Board members led those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments

Twenty-eight people provided public comment to the Board. There was up to 60-minutes allocated for public comments with up to three (3) minutes per public comment speaker concerning items on this agenda, as well as communication, petitions, reports from citizens or representatives of other public agencies.

Reports and Presentations

D205 Fall 2021 Open Plan – Moving Forward Together

Dr. Campbell presented the comprehensive fall 2021 plan with a focus on a strong start to fall with, 1) Five Full Days of Instruction for All Students in All Schools; 2) Connection, Communication and Cultivating Positive Relationships Across the D205 Community and 3) Celebrate the Strength and Demonstrate Pride in D205 Students, Staff and Schools. The learning and teaching aspect encompasses, fostering relationships and building strong connections with teachers from Day One to help students accomplish their goals; redesigning the School Improvement Plan (SIP) to achieve student-centered outcomes concentrated on Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) of 1) Social-Emotional Learning, 2) English Language Arts, 3) Math and Aligning resources to specific priorities. The presentation included the key points for health and safety, maintaining typical instructional programming and keeping healthy students in school. Dr. Campbell indicated the launch of the Moving Forward Together microsite for communication updates on our website. The board members commented on being supportive of the plan with some clarifying questions.

Consent Agenda Items

- Personnel Report

President Caforio asked for a motion to approve the following consent agenda item: A. Personnel Report. Mrs. Hosler moved and Mrs. Trautmann seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Mrs. Hosler, Mrs. Trautmann, Mr. Collins, Mr. Kocinski, Mrs. Steufen, and Mrs. Caforio voted aye. Motion carries. Mrs. Arvanitis was absent.

Action Item

Approval of Interim Associate Superintendent: Dr. Campbell introduced a new role in asking Dr. Grens to serve in the capacity of Interim Assistant Superintendent. Through listening tours, school visits, and a thorough review of engagement data and trends, this created an opportunity to propose this new role.

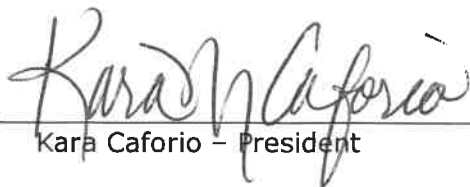
President Caforio asked for a motion to approve the Interim Associate Superintendent agreement, as presented. Mrs. Steufen moved and Mr. Collins seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Mrs. Steufen, Mr. Collins, Mr. Kocinski, Mrs. Hosler, Mrs. Trautmann, and Mrs. Caforio voted aye. Motion carries. Mrs. Arvanitis was absent.

2021-2022 Return to School Plan Approval Resolution: President Caforio asked for a motion to approve the 2021-2022 Return to School Plan Resolution, as presented. Mr. Kocinski moved and Mrs. Trautmann seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Mr. Kocinski, Mrs. Trautmann, Mr. Collins, Mrs. Hosler, Mrs. Steufen, and Mrs. Caforio voted aye. Motion carries. Mrs. Arvanitis was absent.

Upcoming Meetings (anticipating special BOE meeting in a few weeks)

- August 24, 2021 Regular Board of Education Meeting at 7:00 p.m. - District 205 Center, Rooms 215, 216, and 217
- September 7, 2021 Regular Board of Education Meeting at 7:00 p.m. - District 205 Center, Rooms 215, 216, & 217

Adjournment - End of Meeting: The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 p.m.


Kara Caforio - President


Courtenae Trautmann - Secretary