



## Bensenville Elementary School District

Board of Education Special Meeting Minutes –  
May 8, 2024

President Robert Laudadio called the special meeting of Bensenville Elementary School District 2 Board of Education, DuPage County to order at 5:30 p.m., at Educational Administration Center, 210 S. Church Road, Bensenville, Illinois.

Roll call verified that there was a quorum of the Board present with the following members present and absent as listed below:

<i>Board of Education</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Jacqueline Dye	Secretary	X	
Victoria Gonzalez	Member	X	
Robert Laudadio	President	X	
Marisol Leyva	Vice-President	X	
Anita Miller	Member	X	
Lori Parthimos	Treasurer	X	
James Stoltman	Member	X	
<i>Administration</i>			
Dr. Katie McCluskey	Superintendent	X	
Mr. Paul Novack	C.F.O.	X	
Cindy Snyder	Administrative Asst. to the Superintendent & Clerk of the Board	X	

**Others Present:** Diana Vergara, New BMS Principal

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr. Laudadio led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public comments:** None

**Consent Items**

**A. Personnel**

**I. Ratification of Employment, Administrator**

- A. Recommendation:** That the Board of Education ratify the employment of Diana Vergara, Principal of Blackhawk Middle School, effective July 1, 2024.

**A motion was made by Mr. Stoltman and seconded by Ms. Parthimos that the Board of Education approve the consent agenda item as presented.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Aye:** Stoltman, Parthimos, Dye, Gonzalez, Laudadio, Leyva, Miller,

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

**Motion Carried.**

Dr. McCluskey welcomed Ms. Vergara to Bensenville District 2.

**Conference/Action Item**

**A. Change Order - Convert Tioga Innovation Lab to Classrooms** – Mr. Novack reported that two Tioga School ACE classes are held in an open area known as the Innovation Lab. Neither class has a fully-enclosed space. Sound carries into each room especially from the other room and also from the hallway. Partial-height walls, rolling partitions, and sound-dampers are in place, but the spaces are not nearly as effective as is desired for a classroom or as exists elsewhere in Tioga School.

A conversion to two full-featured classrooms is recommended. Full-featured classrooms create the most utility for future use, since they would accommodate changes in enrollment or in grade location.

All of the work is similar in nature to renovation work being performed this summer at Blackhawk. Some of the specialized materials are the same as already being ordered for Blackhawk, such as the sliding markerboards and the counter for the teacher workspace.

Creating a separate bid package was not recommended, mostly due to the cost of creating it and also due to the efficiencies gained from using contractors already in the District for work at Blackhawk.

These changes are recommended as in the District’s best interest and as germane to the original contract:

Trade	Contractor	Amount	Types of Work
Carpentry and general trades	DBM - Carpentry	256,043	Walls & ceilings; cubby & whiteboard & cabinet install
Doors	Advanced Door & Hardware	13,650	Doors and other fixtures
Electrical	Electrical	39,624	New electrical and relocate existing
Fire controls	Automatic Fire	6,834	New fire indicators for enclosed spaces
Flooring	Michael Kautz	28,495	Vinyl tile same as other classrooms
HVAC	Admiral	87,895	Re-arrange HVAC and add controls
Painting	Asher Brothers	7,000	Painting all walls
Windows	Illinois Contract Glazing	2,436	Sidelights facing hallway
	<b>Total</b>	<b>441,977</b>	

**A motion was made by Mrs. Miller and seconded by Mrs. Leyva that the Board of Education find that changes to the above contracts are in the District’s best interest and involve work that is germane to the existing contracts.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Aye: Miller, Leyva, Dye, Gonzalez, Laudadio, Parthimos, Stoltman**

**Nay: None**

**Absent: None**

**Motion Carried.**

**Closed Session**

**At 5:39 p.m. motion was made by Mrs. Dye and seconded by Mrs. Leyva that the Board of Education go into closed session for the purpose of: The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6).**

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Aye: Dye, Leyva, Gonzalez, Miller, Parthimos, Laudadio, Stoltman**

**Nay: None**  
**Absent: None**  
**Motion Carried.**

**At 6:41 p.m. motion was made by Mrs. Dye and seconded by Mr. Stoltman that the Board of Education adjourn from closed session. Upon voice vote, all board members present voted aye. Motion carried.**

**Adjournment**

**6:41 p.m. motion was made by Mrs. Miller and seconded by Ms. Parthimos that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting. Upon voice vote, all board members present voted aye. Motion carried.**

No further business appearing Mr. Laudadio adjourned the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

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President

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Secretary