

Minutes from the Regular Board of Education Meeting of April 8, 2024

1. The regular meeting of the Board of Education of District 84.5 was called to order by President Roeder at 6:00 p.m. April 8, 2024. Roll call showed the following:

Present: Members Roeder, White, DiPaola, Danek, Boyte, Polen, and Pisano

Absent: None

Also Present: Jim Prather, Arthur Chmiel, Jill Oswald, and Don Palmer

2. The minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 11, 2024 and Closed Session of March 11, 2024 had been previously distributed and read by the members of the Board. Member Danek made a motion, seconded by Member DiPaola to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 11, 2024 as submitted. \*Upon a roll being taken, all members present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Member Boyte made a motion, seconded by Member White to approve the minutes of the Closed Session of March 11, 2024 as submitted. \*Upon a roll being taken, all members present were in favor and the motion was carried.

3. The fund balances for March 31, 2024 as reported by the District Treasurer are as follows:

Education Fund	\$18,163,115.55
Operation Fund	\$ 1,077,065.23
Bond/Interest Fund	\$ 204,152.35
Transportation Fund	\$ 1,895,297.49
I.M.R.F.	\$ 855,714.63
Site & Construction	\$ 85,203.48
Working Cash	\$ 395,951.11
Tort	\$ 57,488.74
Fire Prevention	\$ 81,168.16
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 22,815,156.74</b>

Member Danek made a motion, seconded by Member Boyte to acknowledge receipt of the District Treasurer's Report for the month ending March 31, 2024. Roll call showed the following:

Ayes: Members Roeder, White, DiPaola, Danek, Boyte, Polen, and Pisano.

Nays: None. Motion carried.


4. Member DiPaola made a motion, seconded by Member Boyte to approve Vouchers 1841 through 1846 in the total amount of \$993,123.60 and authorize President and Secretary to sign same. Roll call showed the following:

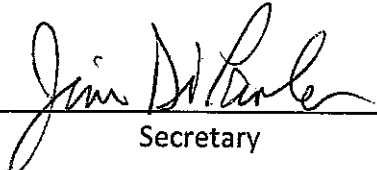
Ayes: Members Roeder, White, Danek, Polen, Boyte, DiPaola, and Pisano.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

5. Member Danek made a motion, seconded by Member DiPaola to approve the updated 2024/25 School Calendar. \*Upon a roll being taken, all members present were in favor and the motion was carried.

6. Member White made a motion, seconded by Member Danek to adjourn to closed session at 6:55 to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, volunteers, or contractor personnel. \*Upon a roll being taken, all members present were in favor and the motion was carried.
7. Member White made a motion, seconded by Member DiPaola to adjourn closed session at 7:58 p.m. \*Upon a roll being taken, all members present were in favor and the motion was carried.
8. The closed session was returned to regular session at 8:01 p.m.
9. Action after closed:
  1. Approve a 6% increase for classified staff employees for the 2024-25 school year followed by a 5% increase for the 2025-26 school year; provided however, the Superintendent is authorized to provide no increase, a lesser increase and/or a conditional increase not to exceed the before-mentioned related percentages for individual classified staff employees based on their performance (6 ayes, 1 abstain)
  2. Approve the resignation of Jaime Evangelista at the end of the current school term (7 ayes)
  3. Approve reclassifying Alex Bastek on July 1, 2024 to a temporary role of Buildings and Grounds Director-in-training for the 2024-25 school year and increase his pay by \$5.00/hour beyond his 2024-25 raise (7 ayes)
  4. Adopt a resolution entitled Resolution Authorizing the July 1, 2024-June 30, 2029 Performance Based Curriculum Director Contract Between the Board of Education and Emily Lahti (7 ayes)
  5. Adopt a resolution entitled Resolution Authorizing the July 1, 2024-June 30, 2029 Performance Based Superintendent Contract Between the Board of Education and James Prather (7 ayes)
10. Member Danek made a motion, seconded by Member DiPaola to adjourn. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

  
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President

  
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Secretary

\*Roll call showed the following members voting Aye:

Members Roeder, White, DiPaola, Danek, Boyte, Polen, and Pisano