

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 28
HELD WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2025

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, District 28, Cook County, Illinois, was held in the HOH Conference room in said district on Wednesday evening, January 8, 2025.

President Gallinson called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. with the following members present at roll call:

Jennifer Gallinson
DeShawn Arms
Beth Bazer
Christine Beeftink
Matt Cassidy
Mara Silver-Schack
Adam Weinstock

Absent: None.

Also present were Dr. Jason Pearson, Superintendent; Dr. Kris Raitzer, Assistant Superintendent; Jessica Donato, Chief School Business Official; Dr. Kelly Sculles, Director of Student Services; Edward Brophy, Director of Human Resources and Administrative Services; Michelle Jackson, Director of Learning; Maria Stavropoulos, Director of Technology; Terry Ryan, Communications Director; Chrissy Yonaite, Recording Secretary, and Jeremy Bartunek, Greenbriar Teacher/Streaming Tech.

Public Attendees: Tim Crowe, Danny Sternfield, Diana Horwitz, Jackie Early, Cory Dolins, Caitlyn Dolins, Lee Goodman, Jeremy Reese, Steve Szumowski, Kathy McNamara, Tamara Reese, Rachel Rabe, Amy Anshell, and Cari Stoneburner.

VISITORS COMMENTS / PRESENTATIONS

Several district residents spoke to the Board to express their opinions regarding the potential referendum.

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AND REQUIRING THE SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSITION OF ISSUING \$94,900,000 SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS TO THE VOTERS OF THE DISTRICT AT THE CONSOLIDATED ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE 1ST DAY OF APRIL, 2025

It was moved by Member Silver-Schack and seconded by Member Arms that the Board of Education consider the adoption of the resolution:

Resolution providing for and requiring the submission of the proposition of issuing \$94,900,000 School Building Bonds to

the voters of School District Number 28, Cook County, Illinois,
at the consolidated election to be held on the 1st day of April,
2025.

Individually, in preparation for this meeting, the Board reviewed all available information such as the facility master plan, recommendations and materials from the facilitating team, feedback from the public via the community survey and data points from the consultants.

Following a thorough evaluation, every Board Member expressed their stance on the proposed resolution, including their rationale, during the meeting.

The Board was also given the opportunity to ask questions to the Administration.

President Gallinson then directed the roll to be called for a vote to adopt the resolution. The following voted Aye: Members Bazer, Gallinson, Silver- Schack and Weinstock. Nay: Members Arms, Beeftink and Cassidy. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

The resolution is attached to these minutes.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

It was moved by Member Bazer and seconded by Member Cassidy that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda:

Personnel Report: Contract Changes, Employment of Staff, Leave Requests, Dismissals, Resignations

The board approved the contracts for Interim Principals Heidi Wennstrom and Jeanne Banas in addition to an agreement for Ericka Garza.

On a roll call vote, the following voted Aye: Members Arms, Bazer, Beeftink, Cassidy, Silver- Schack and Weinstock. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

No updates.

CLOSED SESSION

No closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:45 p.m., it was moved by Member Silver-Schack and seconded by Member Weinstock that the meeting be adjourned. All members present voted Aye. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Beth Bazer, Secretary

Jennifer Gallinson, President