

BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHOOL DISTRICT 149
 MINUTES OF
 THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
 October 27, 2025

The Board Meeting convened at 7:01 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Mr. Tillman, Mrs. De Vasher-Williams, Mrs. Tillman, Ms. Burks, Mrs. King, and Mr. Crivens. Mrs. Elston arrived at 7:15 p.m.

Also in attendance: Dr. Maureen White, Attorney Centeno, Janene Preston, DeWayne Anderson, Stephanie Wasserman, Anna Karrison, Hannah Copps, Jorie Watson, Tonya Thomas, Dr. Carolyn Franklin, Laura Wolf, Angela Grimes, Eric Baah, Tomika Halsey, Stacey Miles, Torrean Walker, and Chief Pointer.

The Pledge of Allegiance – Said by all

Public Comments –

Dr. Carolyn Franklin, an educator with 32 years of service in District 149 as both an administrator and current eighth-grade teacher at STEM Academy, spoke on behalf of Mr. Eric Baah. She shared that she mentored Mr. Baah during his first year in the district and described him as a man of integrity, honesty, and strong moral character. Dr. Franklin praised his professionalism, dedication to students, and consistent effort to act in their best interest. She emphasized his respectful and collaborative nature, humility, and strong work ethic. Dr. Franklin noted that he has taken full responsibility for his mistake and believes he would not repeat it. She concluded by stating that, based on her experience as both an evaluator and parent, she would want Mr. Baah to teach her own children, and she urged the Board to consider his character and intentions in their decision.

Adjourn to Closed Session

<p>MOTION by Ms. Burks, seconded by Mr. Crivens, to adjourn to a Closed session at 7:05 p.m.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Motion to convene to a closed session meeting for the purpose of discussing the following matters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees or legal counsel of Dolton School District 149, 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) 2. Motion to adjourn closed session meeting and reconvene open session meeting <p>ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Ms. Burks, Mr. Crivens, Mrs. King, Mrs. Tillman, Mrs. De Vasher-Williams, and Mr. Tillman.</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AGENDA ITEM E</p>
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Adjourn from Closed Session at 10:00 p.m.

Final Action on Closed Session Items

<p>MOTION by Ms. Burks, seconded by Mrs. Elston, to table to approve/not approve moving forward with Charges for Dismissal for Employee A</p> <p>ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Ms. Burks, Mrs. Elston, Mr. Crivens, Mrs. King, Mrs. Tillman, Mrs. De Vasher-Williams, and Mr. Tillman.</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AGENDA ITEM G1</p>
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<p>MOTION by Ms. Burks, seconded by Mrs. King, to table to approve/not approve moving forward with Charges for Dismissal for Employee B ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Ms. Burks, Mrs. King, Mr. Crivens, Mrs. Elston, Mrs. Tillman, Mrs. De Vasher-Williams, and Mr. Tillman. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AGENDA ITEM G2</p>
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Adjournment

<p>MOTION by Mr. Crivens, seconded by Ms. Burks, to adjourn the board meeting at 10:02 p.m. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: ALL IN FAVOR MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AGENDA ITEM M</p>
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Wilbur Tillman, President

Sheryl Tillman, Secretary