

**DECATUR DISTRICT 61 BOARD OF EDUCATION
CLOSED MEETING MINUTES**

DATE/TIME: June 28, 2022

5:00 PM

LOCATION: Keil Administration Building
101 W. Cerro Gordo Street
Decatur, IL 62523

PRESENT: Dan Oakes, President
Kevin Collins-Brown
Regan Lewis

Andrew Taylor, Vice President
Jason Dion (arrived 5:04 PM)

ABSENT: Alana Banks and Al Scheider

STAFF: Superintendent Dr. Rochelle Clark, Board Secretary Melissa Bradford, Attorney Brian Braun and others

President Oakes called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Call for Closed Executive Session	President Oakes called the meeting to order and moved into Closed Executive Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, and discussion of collective negotiating matters between the Board and representatives of its employees, seconded by Vice President Taylor.	Board moved to Closed Executive Session at 5:00 PM.

Hearing no questions, President Oakes called for a Roll Call Vote:
Aye: Taylor, Collins-Brown, Lewis, Oakes
Nay: None
Absent: Banks, Dion (arrived 5:04 PM), Scheider
Roll Call Vote: 4 Aye, 0 Nay, 3 Absent

[REDACTED]

For the record, Jeff Dase, Luke Feeney, Brian Braun, Deanne Hillman, Dr. Jay Marino and Dr. Rochelle Clark joined the Closed meeting.

For the record, Jason Dion joined the meeting at 5:04 PM.

Personnel

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For the record, the Board of Education added the purchase or lease of real property for use of the public body to Closed Session.

Purchase or Lease of Property Land Acquisition

Michael Curry, Chief Operational Officer, noted that Attorney Luke Feeney [REDACTED] Information only. [REDACTED], but at this time, the District does not have all of the necessary information.

The surveyors were telling the community about the new school and that the brick streets would be torn etc. Kent Metzger was going to talk to them. No additional update at this time.

[REDACTED]

The Board of Education continued discussions.

President Oakes noted that we were currently waiting on the completion of the survey. The survey would go back to the appraiser. Attorney Ed Flynn (DPD) was ready to move forward.

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Dr. Curry noted that he met with the City Manager regarding the sale of Durfee and the demolition of Woodrow Wilson. More information forthcoming.

Superintendent Clark noted that she would read a “joint statement” (DPD and DPS) that was sent to community members and others as well.

Mrs. Lewis noted that there would be talking points or questions that may come from the community regarding the Lincoln project; possible list of concerns from taxpayers and community members.

Personnel

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Return to Open Session President Oakes moved to return to Open Session, seconded by Dr. Collins-Brown. All were in favor.

Returned to Open Session at 5:32 PM.

Dan Oakes, President

Melissa Bradford, Board Secretary