



Dolton School District 149

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Regular Meeting of Dolton School District 149 Board of Education

Date: Thursday, September 17, 2026
Time: Immediately following Public Hearing
Place: District Office
292 Torrence Avenue
Calumet City, IL 60409

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

A. Convene

B. Roll Call

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Cabinet Reports

1. Superintendent's Report
2. Presentation by District 205 Student Board of Education

E. Committee Reports

F. Board President Report

G. Meeting Open for Public Comments

H. SY 26/27 Budget

1. Motion to approve the SY 26-27 School District 149 budget

I. Approval authorizing Township Treasurer to pay invoices dated August 21, 2026, August 25, 2026 and September 17, 2026 chargeable to the following accounts:

Education Fund	\$1,222,726.06
Operations and Maintenance Fund	\$ 159,540.35
Debt Services	\$ 5,449.22
Transportation	\$ 18,469.30
Capital Projects	\$ 472,592.91
Tort Immunity	<u>\$ 314,857.64</u>
	\$2,196,635.48

J. Approval of Consent Agenda

Consent agenda items may be removed from the consent agenda at the request of any one member, without debate. Items not removed may be adopted by general consent without debate. Removed items may be taken up either immediately after the consent agenda or placed later on the agenda at the discretion of the Board.

Motion to approve consent agenda items 11-12:

1. Approval of payroll summaries for August 14, 2026, in the amount of \$921,213.92
2. Approval of payroll summaries for August 28, 2026, in the amount of \$883,257.81
3. Approval of the minutes from the regular board meeting held August 20, 2026
4. Approval of the Consolidated District Plan
5. Approval of renewal of SY 26/27 ESL curriculum through Imagine Learning, in the amount of \$15,750.00
6. Approval of renewal of Cisco Secure Email Cloud Security subscription, through Sentinel, in the amount of \$8,800.00
7. Approval of renewal of SY 26/27 GoGuardian Admin and Go Guardian Teacher, through Xerox, in the amount of \$33,300.94
8. Approval of MOU with Sistahs S.T.R.O.N.G.
9. Approval of Trunk or Treat in partnership with Fass Glass Corvette Club on Saturday, October 31, 2026 at 12:00 - 3:00 p.m., school to be determined
10. Approval of the Superintendent to attend the AASA National Conference on Education in Atlanta, Georgia, February 25–27, 2027, at an estimated total cost of \$3,100.00
11. Approval for the Board of Education and administrators to attend the NSBA Annual Conference in Washington, D.C., April 2–4, 2027, with registration costs estimated at \$10,000.00; airfare, lodging, and other related expenses to be determined
12. Personnel Report

Resignation:

- a. Approval of resignation of Theresa Gist, Custodian at Caroline Sibley, effective date August 24, 2026
- b. Approval of resignation of Patricia Miller, Principal at Berger-Vandenberg, effective date August 17, 2026
- c. Approval of resignation of Shawn Phelps, Custodian at STEM, effective date August 17, 2026
- d. Approval of resignation of Denzell Sanders, Custodian at STEM, effective date September 2, 2026

Employment:

- e. Approval of employment of Carmen Barnes, 7th Grade Science Teacher at SOFA, effective date TBD
- f. Approval of employment of Donovan Dudley, Paraprofessional at Caroline Sibley, effective date TBD
- g. Approval of employment of Taviania Ferrell, Paraprofessional at Carol Moseley Braun, effective date TBD

- h. Approval of employment of Andre Varnado, Business Manager at District Office, effective date September 2, 2026
- i. Approval of employment of Lindsey Williams, Culture & Climate Coach at NBLA, effective date TBD

Leave of Absence:

- j. Approval of FMLA for Kellee Johnson, PE Teacher at NBLA, effective August 25, 2026 through September 8, 2026
- k. Approval of Intermittent FMLA for Karen Slate, Principal at NBLA, effective August 25, 2026, through June 30, 2027
- l. Approval of Intermittent FMLA for Jeanne Watson, Kindergarten Teacher at Berger-Vandenberg, effective August 28, 2026 through May 21, 2027
- m. Approval of Intermittent FMLA for Janene Preston, Executive Assistant at District Office, effective September 4, 2026 through November 30, 2026

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

K. Closed Session

1. Motion to convene to a closed session meeting for the purpose of discussing the following matters:
 - The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees or legal counsel of Dolton School District 149, 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1)
 - Student Disciplinary Cases 5ILCS 120/2(c)(9)
2. Motion to adjourn closed session meeting and reconvene open session meeting

L. Final Action on Closed Session Items, if needed

Action pursuant to closed session discussion:

1. Motion to approve student discipline decisions (if needed)
2. Motion to approve stipend for extra duties for Employee A

M. Old Business

1. Motion to ratify Board poll on September 2, 2026 to replace microprocessor control board at Caroline Sibley, through QMI, in the amount of \$11,996.77
2. Motion to ratify Board poll on September 2, 2026 to repair chiller at Carol Moseley Braun, through QMI, in the amount of \$37,135.72
3. Motion to approve the July 16, 2026 Board meeting minutes
4. Motion to approve the first reading of Press Plus Policy 122
5. Motion to amend the May 27, 2026 Board meeting minutes to reflect that the employment contract approved for Sparkle Tiffith was for the position of Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment
6. Motion to amend the May 27, 2026 Board meeting minutes to reflect that the employment contract approved for Dr. La Toyla Jones was for the position of Assistant Superintendent

7. Motion to amend the May 27, 2026 Board meeting minutes to reflect that the employment contract approved for Dr. Mellodie Brown was for the position of Superintendent

N. New Business

1. Motion to approve Resolution 2026-09 authorizing Odelson, Murphey, Frazier & McGrath, LTD. to intervene on behalf of Dolton School District NO. 149 in the property tax appeal of Countryside Nursing and Rehab
2. Motion to approve Resolution 2026-09-01 authorizing Odelson, Murphey, Frazier & McGrath, LTD. to intervene on behalf of Dolton School District NO. 149 in the property tax appeal of Sandridge Apartments
3. Motion to approve teacher evaluation training through Frontline Education, in the amount of \$1,350.00
4. Motion to approve literacy professional development through Savvas for the October 7th SIP Day, in the amount of \$11,250.00
5. Motion to approve Focus Walk professional development session through Savvas for the November 18th SIP Day, in the amount of \$15,000.00
6. Motion to approve the purchase of media center furniture for Diekman, through KI, in the amount of \$46,039.64
7. Motion to approve the purchase of media center furniture for Caroline Sibley, through KI, in the amount of \$77,369.78
8. Motion to approve quote from Joseph Construction for security upgrades to the foyer at District Office, in the amount of \$33,284.00
9. Motion to approve the quote from Joseph Construction for the installation of a sound isolation system in the Superintendent's Office, in the amount of \$24,061.00
10. Motion to approve J.L. Adler Roofing & Sheet Metal, Inc. as the roofing contractor for Caroline Sibley School, as recommended by the architect through the bidding process, in the amount of \$107,205.00.
11. Motion to approve quote from WT Group, for boundary survey at the Middle School, in the amount of \$8,950.00
12. Motion to approve quote from All Type Fence Company, for fence repair at Diekman School, in the amount of \$2,980.00
13. Motion to approve Andre Varnado, as the IMRF Authorized Agent for Dolton School District 149

O. Adjournment

PUBLIC INFORMATION ITEMS

FOIA Requests

- Requester 1 - All purchase orders and/or payment records for non-person/vendor entities, such as companies, organizations, or contractors from January 1, 2023 to current date
- Requester 2 - Accounts Payable reports for Dr. Maureen White for July 1, 2022 through August 31, 2026

- Requester 2 - Earnings reports for Dr. Maureen White for July 1, 2022 through August 31, 2026
- Requester 3 - FY25 Compensation report for Dolton School District 149
- Requester 4 - Emergency Water Infrastructure Repairs/Replacements
- Requester 5 - Current FSMC Contract, renewal documents, original FSMC proposal, FSMC invoices, and communication between the District and the FSMC's internal or external legal counsel
- Requester 6 - Dataminr, Recorded Future, and Shadow Dragon contracts, service agreements, order forms, purchase orders, RFP, solicitation documents, and task orders