

**Minutes from the Board of Education Tax Levy Public Hearing of December 18, 2023**

The Board of Education Tax Levy Public Hearing of District 84.5 was called to order by President Roeder at 6:02 p.m. December 18, 2023. Roll call showed the following:

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

Absent: None

Also Present: Jim Prather, Arthur Chmiel, Nicole Newsome, Justin Johnson, Emily Lahti, Lisa Kaplan, Christie McVicker, Andy Johnson, Ashley Laskowski, Jill Oswald, and Ben Ramirez

A tax levy representing greater than a 5% increase over the previous year's levy is being requested. Notice of the Tax Levy Hearing was published in the Elm Leaves this month.

The Board of Education welcomed comments or suggestions from visitors. There were no comments. Member White made a motion, seconded by Member DiPaola to adjourn the Public Hearing. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:03 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

**Minutes from the Regular Board of Education Meeting of December 18, 2023**

1. The regular meeting of the Board of Education of District 84.5 was called to order by President Roeder at 6:03 p.m. December 18, 2023. Roll call showed the following:

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

Absent: None

Also Present: Jim Prather, Arthur Chmiel, Nicole Newsome, Justin Johnson, Emily Lahti, Lisa Kaplan, Christie McVicker, Andy Johnson, Ashley Laskowski, Jill Oswald, and Ben Ramirez

2. The minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 13, 2023 and Closed Session of November 13, 2023 had been previously distributed and read by the members of the Board. Member Danek made a motion, seconded by Member Boyte to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 13, 2023 as submitted. \*Upon a roll being taken, all members present were in favor and the motion was carried.

Member DiPaola made a motion, seconded by Member Danek to approve the minutes of the Closed Session of November 13, 2023 as submitted. \*Upon a roll being taken, all members present were in favor and the motion was carried.

3. The fund balances for November 30, 2023 as reported by the District Treasurer are as follows:

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|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Education Fund      | \$12,183,205.74         |
| Operation Fund      | \$ 364,391.87           |
| Bond/Interest Fund  | \$ (287,457.75)         |
| Transportation Fund | \$ 1,874,677.24         |
| I.M.R.F.            | \$ 1,106,197.34         |
| Site & Construction | \$ 85,203.48            |
| Working Cash        | \$ 300,357.94           |
| Tort                | \$ 57,488.74            |
| Fire Prevention     | \$ <u>81,168.16</u>     |
| <b>TOTAL</b>        | <b>\$ 15,765,232.76</b> |

Member Boyte made a motion, seconded by Member Danek to acknowledge receipt of the District Treasurer's Report for the month ending November 30, 2023. 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 Danek to approve Vouchers 1817 through 1824 in the total amount of \$1,862,525.95 and authorize President and Secretary to sign same. Roll call showed the following:

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

Nays: None. Motion carried.

5. Member Danek made a motion, seconded by Member White to adopt the 2023 Tax Levy and the related resolution. Roll call showed the following:  
Ayes: Members Roeder, White, Boyte, DiPaola, Pisano, Polen, and Danek.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.
6. Member White made a motion, seconded by Member Danek to accept the Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2023. Roll call showed the following:  
Ayes: Members White, DiPaola, Polen, Danek, Pisano, Boyte, and Roeder.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.
7. Member DiPaola made a motion, seconded by Member Boyte to approve the regular education and special education bussing intergovernmental renewals with River Grove School District 85.5. Roll call showed the following:  
Ayes: Members Danek, White, Roeder, Boyte, DiPaola, Pisano, and Polen.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.
8. Member White made a motion, seconded by Member DiPaola to approve the shared business office services intergovernmental renewal with Union Ridge School District 86. Roll call showed the following:  
Ayes: Member Roeder, White, DiPaola, Danek, Boyte, Pisano, and Polen.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.
9. Member Danek made a motion, seconded by Member White to approve the presented updated board policies. \*Upon a roll being taken, all members present were in favor and the motion was carried.
10. Member Danek made a motion, seconded by Member Boyte to approve a FMLA leave per the Rhodes procedures for Joni Ptasnik. \*Upon a roll being taken, all members present were in favor and the motion was carried.
11. Member Danek made a motion, seconded by Member DiPaola to adjourn to closed session at 6:27 to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, volunteers, or contractor personnel, and to discuss collective bargaining matters. \*Upon a roll being taken, all members present were in favor and the motion was carried.
12. Member Danek made a motion, seconded by Member White to adjourn closed session at 7:52 p.m. \*Upon a roll being taken, all members present were in favor and the motion was carried.
13. The closed session was returned to regular session at 7:54 p.m.
14. Action after closed:  
None
15. Member DiPaola made a motion, seconded by Member Boyte to adjourn. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 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