

MINUTES

STEGER SCHOOL DISTRICT 194 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Wednesday, May 3, 2023

6:00 P.M.

Administration Center

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m. by President Helsel. Members present Helsel, Edwards, Raymond, Turner, Butkus, Hutchison, and Garcia. Members absent: None.

Also present:
Eric Diehl and Melissa Cunha.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

REORGANIZATION

- ACTION** A. The Superintendent recommends the Board ratify the results of the Will County Clerk's canvas of votes for the April 4, 2023 School Board Election.
- ACTION** B. Swearing in of the newly elected School Board Members
- ACTION** C. Current School Board adjourns sine die.
A motion was made by Ms. Butkus and seconded by Mrs. Turner.

Upon roll call all members voting aye:
Helsel, Edwards, Raymond, Turner, Butkus, Hutchison, and Garcia.
Members voting nay: None. Members absent: None.
Members abstaining: None. Motion carried.

- ACTION** D. Motion to Elect President Pro Tem Jill Raymond.
A motion was made by Mrs. Edwards and seconded by Mrs. Turner.

Upon roll call all members voting aye:
Helsel, Edwards, Raymond, Turner, Butkus, Hutchison, and Garcia.
Members voting nay: None. Members absent: None.
Members abstaining: None. Motion carried.

- ACTION** E. President Pro Tem calls meeting to order at 6:19 p.m.

Roll Call: Helsel, Edwards, Raymond, Turner, Butkus, Hutchison and Garcia.

- ACTION** F. Election of Officers
1. Election of Board President

A motion was made by Ms. Butkus and seconded by Mrs. Raymond to elect Michele Helsel for President.

Upon roll call all members voting aye:
Helsel, Edwards, Raymond, Turner, Butkus, Hutchison, and Garcia.
Members voting nay: None. Members absent: None.
Members abstaining: None. Motion carried.

2. Election of Board Vice President

A motion was made by Mrs. Garcia and seconded by Mrs. Raymond to elect Sue Edwards for Vice President.

Upon roll call all members voting aye:

Helsel, Edwards, Raymond, Turner, Butkus, Hutchison, and Garcia.

Members voting nay: None. Members absent: None.

Members abstaining: None. Motion carried.

3. Election of Board Secretary

A motion was made by Mrs. Raymond and seconded by Mrs. Garcia to elect Beth Butkus for Secretary.

Upon roll call all members voting aye:

Helsel, Edwards, Raymond, Turner, Butkus, Hutchison, and Garcia.

Members voting nay: None. Members absent: None.

Members abstaining: None. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL (Consent Agenda)

Tabled until after Closed Session.

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| ACTION | A. | The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the employment of Rachel Towne, Building Secretary at Columbia Central School at \$15.00 an hour, effective for the 2022-2023 school year. |
| ACTION | B. | The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the employment of Anna Raymond, Building Secretary at Columbia Central School at \$15.00 an hour, effective for the 2022-2023 school year. |
| ACTION | C. | The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the employment of Stephanie Lopez, Vocal Music Teacher at Columbia Central School, BA Step 0, effective for the 2023-2024 school year. |
| ACTION | D. | The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the employment of Kimberly Blake, Special Education Cross Categorical Teacher at Steger Primary Center, MA Step 4, effective for the 2023-2024 school year. |
| ACTION | E. | The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the employment of Kayla Cardinal, First Grade Teacher at Steger Primary Center, BA Step 0, effective for the 2023-2024 school year. |
| ACTION | F. | The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the employment of Macie Nuzzo, First Grade Teacher at Steger Primary Center, BA Step 0, effective for the 2023-2024 school year. |
| ACTION | G. | The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the employment of Hannah Nuzzo, First Grade Teacher at Steger Primary Center, BA Step 0, effective for the 2023-2024 school year. |
| ACTION | H. | The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the employment of Kimberly Brumley, Social Emotional Learning Coach at Steger Primary Intermediate Center, MA30 Step 0, effective for the 2023-2024 school year. |
| ACTION | I. | The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the employment of Tiffany Alexander-Harris, Fourth Grade Teacher at Steger Intermediate Center, MA Step 3, effective for the 2023-2024 school year. |
| ACTION | J. | The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the employment of Nadine Ferguson, Paraprofessional at Steger Intermediate Center at \$15.00an hour, effective for the 2022-2023 school year. |

Upon roll call all members voting aye:
Helsel, Edwards, Raymond, Turner, Butkus, Hutchison, and Garcia.
Members voting nay: None. Members absent: None.
Members abstaining: Jill Raymond from ACTION B. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

The Open Meeting recessed at 6:23 p.m. a motion was made by Mrs. Edwards and seconded by Mr. Hutchison.

Upon roll call all members voting aye:
Helsel, Edwards, Raymond, Turner, Butkus, Hutchison, and Garcia.
Members voting nay: None. Members absent: None.
Members abstaining: None. Motion carried.

The Board went into Closed Session at 6:27 p.m. a motion was made by Mrs. Turner and seconded by Mr. Hutchison to go into Closed Session to discuss the following.

Upon roll call all members voting aye:
Helsel, Edwards, Raymond, Turner, Butkus, Hutchison, and Garcia.
Members voting nay: None. Members absent: None.
Members abstaining: None. Motion carried

- ACTION** A. The Superintendent recommends that the Board go into Closed Session to discuss:
1. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline performance, or dismissal of a specific employee of the public body.
 2. Student disciplinary matters.
 3. Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives.
 4. The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired.
 5. The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by Steger School District 194.

ACTION B. Motion to adjourn Closed Session.
The Board adjourned Closed Session at 8:34 p.m. a motion was made by Mr. Hutchison and seconded by Ms. Butkus.

Upon roll call all members voting aye:
Helsel, Edwards, Raymond, Turner, Butkus, Hutchison, and Garcia.
Members voting nay: None. Members absent: None.
Members abstaining: None. Motion carried..

ACTION C. Motion to return to Open Session.
The Board returned to Open Session at 8:35 p.m. a motion was made by Mrs. Turner and seconded by Mrs. Raymond.

Upon roll call all members voting aye:
Helsel, Edwards, Raymond, Turner, Butkus, Hutchison, and Garcia.
Members voting nay: None. Members absent: None.
Members abstaining: None. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL (Consent Agenda)

A motion was made by Ms. Butkus and seconded by Mrs. Turner to approve the following A-D and H-J action items under Personnel. Action items E, F, and G were tabled.

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Members voting nay: None. Members absent: None.

Members abstaining: Jill Raymond from ACTION B. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:36 p.m. a motion was made by Mrs. Turner and seconded by Mrs. Raymond to adjourn the meeting.

Upon roll call all members voting aye:

Helsel, Edwards, Raymond, Turner, Butkus, Hutchison, and Garcia.

Members voting nay: None. Members absent: None.

Members abstaining: None. Motion carried.

Secretary, Board of Education & Date

President, Board of Education & Date