

**DECATUR DISTRICT 61 BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR REORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES**

DATE/TIME: May 2, 2013 5:45 PM

LOCATION: Keil Administration Building
1st Floor Board Room

PRESENT: Daniel S. Winter, President Dan Oakes
Brian Hodges Sherri Perkins

STAFF: Superintendent Gloria J. Davis
Board Secretary Melissa Bradford
Attorneys Everett Nicholas and Susan Nicholas, and others

Oath of Office: Alida Graham, Barry Buttz, TJ Jackson Jr. and Fred Spannaus were sworn in with the administration of the “Oath of Office” and were seated with the new board.

PRESENT: Dan Oakes Brian Hodges
Sherri Perkins Alida Graham
B.A. Buttz TJ Jackson Jr.
Fred Spannaus

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Appointment of President and Secretary Pro Tem	<p>Superintendent Davis welcomed the New Board of Education and noted that the Board needs to appoint a President and Secretary Pro Tem to lead the reorganization meeting. Mr. Jackson moved to appoint Superintendent Davis as President Pro Tem and Melissa Bradford as Secretary Pro Tem, seconded by Mrs. Perkins. All were in favor.</p> <p>Ms. Bradford called the Roll for the Record: Present: Oakes, Hodges, Perkins, Spannaus, Graham, Jackson, Buttz Absent: None. All Board members are present.</p>	<p>Motion carried. Board moved to appoint Supt. Davis as President Pro Tem and Melissa Bradford as Secretary Pro Tem.</p>
Approval of Agenda for May 2, 2013	<p>Pro Tem Davis recommended the Board approve the Reorganization Board Meeting agenda as presented. Mr. Spannaus moved to approve the Agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Buttz. All were in favor.</p>	<p>Motion carried. The Board approved the Agenda as presented.</p>
Term of Office	<p>Pro Tem Davis noted the Board needs to set the term of office for the positions we are to elect this evening and recommended that the term of office be for a 2-year term.</p> <p>Mr. Oakes moved to approve the recommendation, seconded by Mrs. Perkins. Hearing no discussion, she called for a Roll Call Vote: Aye: Buttz, Perkins, Spannaus, Graham, Oakes, Jackson, Hodges Nay: None Roll Call Vote: 7 Aye, 0 Nay, 0 Absent</p>	<p>Motion carried. The Terms for the Officers of the Board will be for 2 years.</p>

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Election of President of the Board	<p>Pro Tem Davis called for nominations for President of the Board of Education.</p> <p>Mr. Spannaus nominated Brian Hodges for President, seconded by B.A. Buttz. Pro Tem Davis called for other nominations three times. Hearing no other nominations.</p> <p>Pro Tem Davis noted that since Brian Hodges was the only candidate nominated for the office of President, the Chair declared that Brian Hodges was elected by acclamation and directed the Pro Tem secretary to so record in the minutes. Mr. Spannaus moved, seconded by Mr. Buttz.</p> <p>Pro Tem Davis turned the meeting over to President Brian Hodges who thanked everyone for their support.</p>	<p>Brian Hodges was elected to serve as President of the Board of Education.</p>
Election of Vice President of the Board	<p>President Hodges called for nominations for the office of Vice President of the Board. Mr. Jackson moved to nominate Sherri Perkins as Vice President, seconded by Mr. Buttz. Mr. Hodges called for other nominations three times. Hearing no other nominations.</p> <p>President Hodges noted that since Sherri Perkins was the only candidate nominated for the office of Vice President, that he declared Sherri Perkins duly elected by acclamation and directed the Pro Tem Secretary to so record in the minutes. Mr. Oakes moved, seconded by Mr. Buttz.</p>	<p>Sheri Perkins was elected to serve as Vice President of the Board of Education.</p>
Election of Secretary of the Board of Education	<p>President Hodges called for nominations for the office of Secretary of the Board of Education. Ms. Graham moved to nominate Melissa Bradford as Board Secretary, seconded by Mr. Oakes.</p> <p>President Hodges called for other nominations three times. Hearing no other nominations.</p> <p>President Hodges noted that since Melissa Bradford was the only candidate nominated for the office of Board Secretary, he declared her elected by acclamation and directed the secretary to so record in the minutes. Mr. Oakes moved, seconded by Mr. Buttz.</p>	<p>Melissa Bradford was elected to serve as Secretary of the Board of Education.</p>
Appointment of Board Treasurer	<p>President Hodges moved to appoint Dr. Todd Covault as the Board Treasurer, seconded by Ms. Graham.</p> <p>Hearing no discussion, President Hodges called for a Roll Call Vote: Aye: Graham, Jackson, Spannaus, Hodges, Buttz, Oakes, Perkins Nay: None Roll Call Vote: 7 Aye, 0 Nay, 0 Absent</p>	<p>Dr. Todd Covault was appointed Board Treasurer.</p>

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Dates, Times and Locations of Next Term Board Meetings	<p>President Hodges declared that the Officers for the Board for a Two-Year Term were as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President – Brian Hodges • Vice President – Sherri Perkins • Secretary – Melissa Bradford • Treasurer – Dr. Todd Covault 	The Board Calendar was approved as presented.
Foundational Principles of Effective Governance and Code of Conduct	<p>President Hodges asked for a motion to accept and approve the Foundational Principles of Effective Governance and the Code of Conduct as presented.</p> <p>Mrs. Perkins moved, seconded by Mr. Spannaus.</p> <p>Superintendent Davis explained that the Foundational Principles and the Code of Conduct are from the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) and gives an overview of standards that must be followed as a Board Member. It also helps you understand the, day-to-day operations, procedures and what is expected from IASB as a Board Member.</p> <p>Hearing no questions, President Hodges called for a Roll Call Vote: Aye: Oakes, Graham, Perkins, Hodges, Buttz, Jackson, Spannaus Nay: None Roll Call Vote: 7 Aye, 0 Nay, 0 Absent</p>	Motion carried. The Foundational Principles of Effective Governance and Code of Conduct were approved as presented.
Board Discussion Items	None at this time.	Information only.
Important Dates	<p>The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be at 6:30 PM, Tuesday, May 14, 2013 in the 1st Floor Board of Education Room.</p> <p>President Hodges thanked everyone for their support. He also allowed the other Board Members time to express their appreciation along with the Superintendent and the Board Secretary.</p>	Information only.

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	Superintendent Davis also noted that the Board Committees will be further discussed at the orientation.	

Adjournment	Mr. Jackson moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Perkins. All were in favor.	The meeting adjourned at 6:12 PM.
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Brian Hodges, Board President

Melissa Bradford, Board Secretary