

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MUNDELEIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT 75**

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of Mundelein Elementary School District 75 held on the fourteenth day of March 2023, at 7:00 p.m.**

**MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION PRESENT:**

**PRESENT:** Ray Rose, President (Pro Tem)  
Kristie Fingerhut, Secretary  
Eric Billittier  
Freddy Gallegos  
Al Hitzke  
Emily Karl

**ABSENT:** Kevin Holly, President

**D75 ADMINISTRATORS:**

Dr. Kevin Myers, Superintendent  
Shane McCreery, Chief of Staff  
T. Rancak, Chief School Business Official  
Jamie DiCarlo, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services  
Sarah Cacciatore, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning  
Ryan Zak, Director of Linguistic Programs  
Peter Gill, Director of Public Information

**CALL TO ORDER**

Board of Education of Mundelein Elementary School District 75 board members: Billittier, Fingerhut, Hitzke, Gallegos, Karl and Rose were present for the March 14, 2023 regular board meeting.

All in favor by voice vote: 6-0

**CITIZENS' COMMENTS**

Todd Katz, certified staff member, requested that the board reconsider the staffing proposal. He shared his past and current work history with the district. He also provided the board members with summaries from students.

Jimena Rodriguez, student, CSMS, also requested the board reconsider the staffing proposal. She shared her opinion and how Mr. Katz has assisted her with learning to enjoy school again.

**BOE COMMENTS**

Board members discussed number nine of the standard and principles from school board policy #2:280-E Exhibit, board member code of conduct. Discussion was held on the topic.

**DISTRICT 75 REPORT**

**FY23 Budget (DRAFT)**

T. Rancak, chief school business official, reviewed several areas from the FY23 draft budget. Discussion was held on the topic.

**Staffing Proposal for SY2023-2024**

Shane McCreery, chief of staff and Dr. Sarah Cacciatore, assistant superintendent of teaching and learning, reviewed the staffing proposal for SY2023-2024. Discussion was held on the topic.

Honorable Dismissal of .5 FTE Certified Position for SY2023-2024

Mr. McCreery reviewed the request to approve the honorable dismissal of .5 FTE certified position for 2023-2024 school year.

Recommendation for a Special Board Meeting

Dr. Myers recommended a special board meeting to be held on May 11, 2023. The meeting will be to reorganize and seat the new board members.

**COMMITTEE and REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTMENTS**

Board Policy

Committee member Fingerhut reviewed a suggestion for how the board should proceed with reviewing the remaining board policy sections. Discussion was held on several suggestions to complete the final four remaining sections. A review of section eight will commence at the next regularly scheduled board meeting.

Finance Advisory

Committee member Rose shared the next committee meeting will be on April 10, 2023.

Shared Services

Committee member Billittier shared the next meeting is on March 21, 2023.

Strategic Planning

Committee member Rose shared the administrative team continues to work on the action steps.

STEAM Foundation

Committee member Fingerhut shared the many activities that the STEAM foundation is hosting.

SEDOL

Committee member Billittier shared that SEDOL closed the purchase of Fairhaven School. He also shared the next meeting is June 7, 2023. Discussion was held on the topic.

Community Outreach/Village Liaison

No report.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

It was moved by Board Member Rose, seconded by Board Member Hitzke, that the Board of Education of Mundelein Elementary School District 75 approve the consent agenda of March 14, 2023, which included:

- February 21, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- Bill List
- Annual Renewal List/FOIA Request(s)
- Approval of Personnel Report
  - Certified Staff - Employment: Stephanie Turner
  - Classified Staff - Employment: Jacob Branick
  - Retirements: Geysha Cano, Mark Pilut
  - Resignation: Litsa Kubiak, Shelby Behrens

Upon roll call, the following members voted:

AYE: Board members: Billittier, Fingerhut, Hitzke, Gallegos, Karl and Rose

NAY: None

**BOARD ACTION ITEMS**

**Staffing Proposal, FY2023-2024**

It was moved by Board Member Rose, seconded by Board Member Gallegos, that the Board of Education of Mundelein Elementary School District 75 approve the staffing proposal for SY2023-2024 as presented.

Upon roll call, the following members voted:

AYE: Board members: Billittier, Hitzke, Gallegos, Karl and Rose

NAY: Fingerhut

**Approve Resolution Authorizing Honorable Dismissal and Reassignment, Non-Tenured Teacher**

It was moved by Board Member Rose, seconded by Board Member Hitzke, that the Board of Education of Mundelein Elementary School District 75 approve the attached resolution for the following certified teaching staff.

- Administration recommends the Board of Education motion to Approve Resolution Authorizing Honorable Dismissal and Reassignment to a Part-Time (.50) Teacher, Todd Katz

Upon roll call, the following members voted:

AYE: Board members: Billittier, Hitzke, Gallegos, Karl and Rose

NAY: Fingerhut

**Recommendation for a Special Board Meeting**

It was moved by Board Member Rose, seconded by Board Member Billittier, that the Board of Education of Mundelein Elementary School District 75 approve a special board meeting on May 11, 2023.

Upon roll call, the following members voted:

AYE: Board members: Billittier, Fingerhut, Hitzke, Gallegos, Karl and Rose

NAY: None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

It was moved by Board Member Rose, seconded by Board Member Fingerhut, that the Board adjourn for the discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)

The sale or purchase of securities, investments, or investment contracts. 5ILCS 120/2(c)(7)

**OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 8:35 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Board of Education of Mundelein Elementary School District 75 board members: Billittier, Fingerhut, Gallegos, Hitzke, Karl and Rose were present for the March 14, 2023 regular board meeting.

All in favor by voice vote: 6-0

**ACTION**

**Executive Session Minutes**

It was moved by Board Member Fingerhut, seconded by Board Member Hitzke, that the Board of Education of Mundelein Elementary School District 75 accept the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the executive session minutes for February 21, 2023.

Upon roll call, the following members voted:

AYE: Board members: Billittier, Fingerhut, Gallegos, Hitzke, Karl and Rose

NAY: None

President's Prerogative

Board member Gallegos shared that due to work commitments, he is no longer able to attend the Finance and Facilities meetings. He inquired if another board member could attend the committee meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Board Member Rose, seconded by Board Member Hitzke, that the Board of Education of Mundelein Elementary School District 75 board members: Billittier, Fingerhut, Hitzke, Gallegos, Karl and Rose adjourn the meeting of March 14, 2023 at 8:39 p.m.

Motion approved by voice vote: 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

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RAY ROSE, PRESIDENT (PRO TEM)  
DISTRICT 75, BOARD OF EDUCATION

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KRISTIE FINGERHUT, SECRETARY  
DISTRICT 75, BOARD OF EDUCATION

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