

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 186, SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON
COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Tuesday, April 30, 2019 (5:30 PM)

The Board of Education convened in Regular Session on April 30 A.D., 2019, at 5:18 p.m., there being present thereat:

Present: J. Michael Zimmers, President
Julie Hammers, Board Secretary

Judith Johnson
Anthony Mares
Donna Moore
Bill Ringer
Jamie Sisti

Jennifer Gill, Superintendent of Schools

CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Roll Call

President Zimmers called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Resolution: That the Board of Education approves adjournment to Executive Session to consider the following items:

2.1 Student Board Representative Interviews 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(3)

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Jamie Sisti**) Moved, Member (**Bill Ringer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'That the Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session to consider the following matters: 2.1 Student Board Representative Interviews 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(3)'.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion **Carried 4 - 0**.

Those voting "aye": Moore, Ringer, Sisti, Zimmers
Those voting "no": None.

Adjournment to Executive Session

The meeting adjourned at 5:19 p.m. and reconvened at 5:40 p.m. Upon reconvening, roll was taken. It was noted that six Board members were present as Ms. Johnson and Mr. Mares joined the meeting at 5:19 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Zimmers asked those in attendance to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approve the Agenda for April 30, 2019

Resolution: That the Board of Education approves the agenda.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Anthony Mares**) Moved, Member (**Jamie Sisti**) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'That the Board of Education approves the agenda'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 7 Nay: 0. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Those voting "aye": Johnson, Mares, Moore, Ringer, Sisti, Zimmers
Those voting "no": None.

REPORT OF THE CANVASS OF VOTES

3.1 Declaring the Results of the Election on April 2, 2019

Ms. Hammers reported the results of the Consolidated Election held on April 2, 2019, as prepared by the County Election Office.

- In sub-district 2, for a full four-year term, Sean Dickerson received 1265 votes. Micah Miller, received 1338 votes. Mr. Miller was declared the winner.
- In sub-district 3, for a full four-year term, Scott McFarland received 1,795 votes and was unopposed. Mr. McFarland was declared the winner.
- In sub-district 7, for a full four-year term, William A. Ringer, II received 2015 votes and was unopposed. Mr. Ringer was declared the winner.

ADJOURN SINE DIE

4.1 Adjourn Sine Die

Resolution: That the Board of Education adjourn sine die.

Original - Motion

Member (**Donna Moore**) Moved, Member (**Bill Ringer**) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion "That the Board of Education adjourns sine die' Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 6 Nay: 0 The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Those voting "aye": Johnson, Mares, Moore, Ringer, Sisti, Zimmers
Those voting "no": None.

The meeting adjourned *sine die* at 5:43 p.m.

SEATING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

5.1 Seating of the Board of Education

At this time, Ms. Sisti left her seat at the Board table. Mr. McFarland and Mr. Miller came forward to take their seats and receive their nameplates.

OATH OF OFFICE

6.1 Oath of Office

Superintendent Gill asked the Board members to stand to take the Oath of Office. She then administered the Oath of Office to Board Members McFarland, Miller and Ringer as follows:

"I, (name of member or successful candidate), do solemnly swear that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of member of the Board of Education of Springfield Public School District #186, in accordance with the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and the laws of the State of Illinois, to the best of my ability.

I further swear that:

I shall respect taxpayer interests by serving as a faithful protector of the school district's assets;

I shall encourage and respect the free expression of opinion by my fellow board members and others who seek a hearing before the board, while respecting the privacy of students and employees;

I shall recognize that a board member has no legal authority as an individual and that decisions can be made only by a majority vote at a public board meeting and;

I shall abide by majority decisions of the board, while retaining the right to seek changes in such decisions through ethical and constructive channels."

CALL TO ORDER

7.1 Roll Call

Superintendent Gill, serving as president pro tem, called the meeting to order and welcomed new Board Members Scott McFarland and Micah Miller. The meeting was called to order at 5:51 p.m. Upon reconvening, roll was taken. It was noted that seven Board members were present

Mr. Zimmers welcomed the new members.

ROLL CALL ACTION ITEMS

8.1 Nominations for President of the Board of Education

The Superintendent will accept nominations for president.

Resolution: That the Board of Education nominate and elect a Board President for a one-year term. New president assumes duties of presiding officer.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Donna Moore**) Moved, Member (**Scott McFarland**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'That the Board of Education nominate and elect a Board President for a one-year term. New president assumes duties of presiding officer'. Ms. Moore nominated Mr. Zimmers, with a second by Mr. McFarland. Superintendent Gill then called for any other nominations three additional times. There were no additional nominations for President of the Board of Education.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **(6)** Nay: **(0)** Abstain: **(1)**. The motion **Carried. 6-0-1**

Those voting “aye”:	Johnson, Mares, McFarland, Miller, Moore, Ringer
Those voting “no”:	None.
Those abstaining:	Zimmers

Mr. Zimmers was declared the President. With this declaration, Superintendent Gill turned the meeting over to Mr. Zimmers to continue with nominations for the other officers.

8.2 Nominations for Vice-President of the Board of Education

The President will accept nominations for vice-president.

Resolution: That the Board of Education nominate and elect a Vice-President for a one-year term.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Micah Miller**) Moved, Member (**J. Michael Zimmers**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'That the Board of Education nominate and elect a Vice-President for a one-year term. Mr. Miller nominated Mr. McFarland, with a second by Mr. Zimmers. Mr. Zimmers then called for any other nominations three additional times. There were no additional nominations for Vice-President of the Board of Education.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **(6)** Nay: **(0)** Abstain: **(1)**. The motion **Carried. 6-0-1**

Those voting “aye”:	Johnson, Mares, Miller, Moore, Ringer, Zimmers
Those voting “no”:	None.
Those abstaining:	McFarland

Mr. McFarland was declared the Vice President.

The new members were then asked to introduced their family members in attendance. Mr. Miller introduced his parents. Mr. McFarland introduced his wife and children. Mr. McFarland also recognized former Board of Education member, Art Moore, who was also in attendance.

8.3 Nominations for Secretary

The President will accept nominations for Secretary.

Resolution: That the Board of Education nominate and elect a Board Secretary.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Scott McFarland**)Moved, Member (**J. Michael Zimmers**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'That the Board of Education nominate and elect a Board Secretary for a one-year term.' Mr. McFarland nominated Julie Hammers, with a second by Mr. Zimmers.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **(7)** Nay: **(0)**. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Those voting "aye": Johnson, Mares, McFarland, Miller, Moore, Ringer, Zimmers
Those voting "no": None.

8.4 Nominations for Assistant Secretary

The President will accept nominations for Assistant Secretary.

Resolution: That the Board of Education nominate and elect an Assistant Board Secretary.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Bill Ringer)** Moved, Member **(J. Michael Zimmers)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'That the Board of Education nominate and elect an Assistant Board Secretary for a one-year term.' Mr. Ringer nominated Nicole Irlam, with a second by Mr. Zimmers.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **(7)** Nay: **(0)**. The motion **Carried. (7) - (0)**

Those voting "aye": Johnson, Mares, McFarland, Miller, Moore, Ringer, Zimmers
Those voting "no": None.

8.5 Appointment of Treasurer

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends adoption of the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that Mr. Joseph Bascio be appointed Treasurer to the Board of Education.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(J. Michael Zimmers)** Moved, Member **(Donna Moore)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Superintendent recommends adoption of the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that Mr. Joseph Bascio be appointed Treasurer to the Board of Education'.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **(7)** Nay: **(0)**. The motion **Carried. (7) - (0)**

Those voting "aye": Johnson, Mares, McFarland, Miller, Moore, Ringer, Zimmers
Those voting "no": None.

8.6 Adoption of Board Policies and Code of Conduct

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends adoption of the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board re-adopt Board Policies as currently in effect, that the Board observe Roberts' Rules of Order, Revised, except as otherwise provided by Board Policies or statute, that Roll Calls be made on a rotating basis and that the Board shall adhere to the attached Code of Conduct.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Micah Miller)** Moved, Member **(Scott McFarland)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Superintendent recommends adoption of the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board re-adopt Board Policies as currently in effect, that the Board observe Roberts' Rules of Order, Revised, except as otherwise provided by Board Policies or statute, that Roll Calls be made on a rotating basis and that the Board shall adhere to the attached Code of Conduct'.

Ms. Moore requested that the Board review the policies to bring them up to speed and correlate with IASB's PRESS.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **(7)** Nay: **(0)**. The motion **Carried. (7) - (0)**

Those voting "aye": Ringer, Zimmers Johnson, Mares, McFarland, Miller, Moore,
Those voting "no": None.

8.7 Approval of the Schedule of Meetings of the Board of Education for the 2019-2020 School Year

Resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that the attached calendar of dates for the regular meetings of the Board of Education of Springfield Public School District 186 be adopted for the 2019-2020 school year.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Scott McFarland)** Moved, Member **(Donna Moore)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Superintendent recommends adoption of the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that the attached calendar of dates for the regular meetings of the Board of Education of Springfield Public School District 186 be adopted for the 2019-2020 school year.

Ms. Johnson indicated that she had not had the opportunity to review the schedule of meetings.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **(6)** Nay: **(0)** Abstain: **(1)**. The motion **Carried.6 - 0 - 1**

Those voting "aye": Mares, McFarland, Miller, Moore, Ringer, Zimmers
Those voting "no": None.
Those abstaining: Johnson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

9.1 Next Regular Meeting — Monday, May 6, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. — Board Room

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Zimmers declared the meeting adjourned until Monday, May 6, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at at 5:59 p.m.

J. Michael Zimmers, President

Julie Hammers, Secretary

Dated: _____