

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 64  
Minutes of the Special Board of Education Meeting held at 4 p.m.  
July 28, 2023  
Jefferson School - Hendee Rooms  
8200 W Greendale Ave, Niles, IL**

Board President Pearl called the special meeting to order at 4 p.m. Other board members in attendance were Matt Doubleday, Monica Milligan, Rachel Georgakis, Phyllis Lubinski, and Gareth Kennedy (via phone and joined in person during closed session). Board member Demetri Touzios was absent from the closed and open meetings. Also present was Superintendent Dr. Ben Collins.

Board of Education meetings are videotaped and may be viewed in their full length from the District's website at <http://www.d64.org>. The agenda and reports for this meeting are also available on the website or through the District 64 District Office, 8182 W Greendale Ave, Niles, IL 60714.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board president Pearl led the pledge.

**OPENING REMARKS FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD**

President Pearl stated this was the only board meeting for July for the Illinois Association of School Boards workshop. In addition, she welcomed the new Superintendent, Dr. Ben Collins.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments were received.

**BOARD RECESSES & ADJOURNS TO CLOSED MEETING**

At 4:14 p.m. it was moved by Board member Georgakis and seconded by Board member Doubleday to recess from the regular Board meeting and adjourn to a closed meeting to discuss the following: Self-evaluation, practices and procedures or professional ethics, when meeting with a representative of a statewide association of which the public body is a member. [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(16)].

The votes to adjourn to the closed meeting were cast as follows:

Ayes: Doubleday, Pearl, Milligan, Georgakis

Nays: Lubinski

Present: Kennedy

Absent: Touzios

The motion carried.

**BOARD ADJOURNS FROM CLOSED MEETING & RESUMES REGULAR MEETING**

At 8:17 the board adjourned from the closed meeting. President Pearl summarized the training as follows: One theme was the learning of all students, no exceptions, which should drive the board. Also, being a team of 8 with the Board and Superintendent. Time spent on clarifying the Board role and how it differs from the staff and administrative role. Discussed policies and which are part of the board role. Specifics on how the board and superintendent should make decisions. Internal protocols, processes or norms for how the board will interact which will be brought to a future meeting for review and approval. Board member Kennedy added it was a healthy discussion with good deliberations. Which was seconded by Board member Lubinski. President Pearl distributed an Illinois Association of School Boards journal handout on the stages of a group process.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:26 p.m. it was moved by board member Georgakis and seconded by board member Lubinski to adjourn. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Signed Date: August 17, 2023

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President

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Secretary