

**Official Minutes of the Special Board of Education Meeting
Held on Monday, April 22, 2019**

Call to Order The Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 59 in County of Cook, State of Illinois, held a special meeting in accordance with provisions of the Open Meetings Act, according to Illinois law, at the District 59 Administration Center, 1001 Leicester Rd., Elk Grove Village, Illinois on April 22, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll Call **Members Present:** President Janice Krinsky, Vice President Karen Osmanski, Secretary, Members - Sunil Bhawe (Secretary Pro Tem), Sharon Roberts, Mardell Schumacher, and Barbara Somogyi

Members Absent: Dr. Tim Burns (Dr. Burns arrived at 7:11 p.m.)

A scanned copy of the Guest Sign-In Sheets from April 22, 2019 is attached to minutes of this meeting (Attachment #1).

Pledge of Allegiance

3.0 COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Robert Nauman addressed the Board of Education on the topic of the Superintendent's evaluation.

Pete Calov addressed the Board of Education on the topic of the Superintendent's evaluation.

Leo Cox addressed the Board of Education on the topic of the Superintendent's evaluation.

Mary Vicars addressed the Board of Education on the topic of the Superintendent's evaluation. A copy of her address was submitted to be included in the minutes (Attachment #2)

Judy Cox addressed the Board of Education on the topic a Science contest with participants from St. Clement Catholic Church.

Dr. Tim Burns entered the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

4.0 CLOSED SESSION

MOTION at 7:16 p.m. by Mrs. Schumacher seconded by Mrs. Roberts to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the 22nd day of April 2019, the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education recess in a closed meeting for discussion of "the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific

employees of the public body”, -5ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) of the Open Meetings Act.

Roll Call Ayes: 7 Bhave, Burns, Krinsky, Osmanski, Roberts, Schumacher, and Somogyi
 Nays: 0
 Absent: 0
 Abstain: 0

5.0 RECONVENE

MOTION at 8:50 p.m. by Mrs. Roberts, seconded by Mrs. Osmanski to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the 22nd day of April 2019, the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education meeting is reconvened.

Roll Call Ayes: 7 Bhave, Burns, Krinsky, Osmanski, Roberts, Schumacher, and Somogyi
 Nays: 0
 Absent: 0
 Abstain: 0

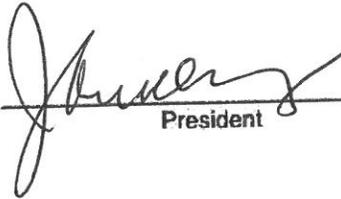
6.0 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION at 8:55 p.m. by Dr. Burns, seconded by Mr. Bhave to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the 22nd of April 2019, the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education meeting is adjourned

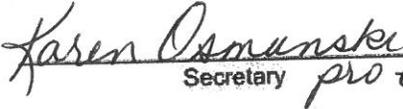
Roll Call Ayes: 7 Bhave, Burns, Krinsky, Osmanski, Roberts, Schumacher, and Somogyi
 Nays: 0
 Absent: 0
 Abstain: 0

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.



President

ATTEST:



Secretary *pro tem*

ATTACHMENT #2

Mary Cosenza Vicars April 22, 2019 Speech to BOE

Should we give a good evaluation to our superintendent? Should we give him a raise and/or extend his contract? Look at the data:

“This school is rated below average in school quality compared to other schools in Illinois. Students here perform [redacted] on state tests, are making [redacted] year-over-year academic improvement, and this school has below average results in how well its serving disadvantaged students.”

The school—Juliette Low. It’s some of what you will find when you look up your 59 home on Zillow or Redfin or any other real estate site.

Here is what the Illinois State Report Card will say:

ELA Proficiency

State 36.7%

District 28.1%

Math Proficiency

State 31.5%

District 19.3%

We are also below the State average in growth for ELA and Math. Our superintendent continues to believe that our standardized test scores (including FAST) are not indicative of any concerns with student achievement and are only a reflection of our demographics. Has he looked at the data which show that our non-low-income kids are not doing well? As an ESL teacher, I take offense that he is blaming our ESL kids for our low scores. Low and non-low-income kids are not doing well—not because they are not bright, but because of our poor curriculum.

The heart of the problem with low scores is the curriculum. Our superintendent says that the math curriculum needs to be improved but takes no responsibility for why it was developed so poorly. He instituted this new curriculum and as Harry Truman said, “the buck stops here.” Will the Curriculum Committee be able to make needed reforms with that attitude?

As a result of our low scores/ratings, our home values have declined, even though County Assessor says that my home value has gone up 21% from last year. That means higher taxes for me. Real estate agents don’t tell me that my home value has increased since last year. No wonder many of our neighbors are upset with this district and our superintendent.

In terms of his \$292,000+ salary, it is higher than other superintendents, higher than all 50 governors, higher than the top cop in Chicago. You certainly should not give him a raise to someone with poor performance.

In terms of an extension look at what the Cubs did. They signed a contract with Kyle Hendricks after spring training. The Cubs did not want Kyle to be a free agent. Are we worried that if we don't extend our superintendent's contract, he will be a free agent and go elsewhere? I am not worried about that. I am worried about our kids. I am worried about our neighborhoods. Do the right thing--No favorable evaluation. No raise. No extension.