

**Official Minutes of the Wednesday, April 9, 2025
Board of Education Meeting**

Call to Order The Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 59 in County of Cook, State of Illinois, held a 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 9, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll Call **Members Present:** Sarah Dzak, Nicole Eddy, TR Johnson, Nicole Kitzinger, Michelle Notinin, Joseph Sagerer, Lucas Szczesny

Members Absent: none

Others Superintendent, Dr. Terri Bresnahan; Associate Superintendent, Tom Luedloff; Assistant Superintendent for Business Services/CSBO, Ron O'Connor; Assistant Superintendent for Student Services & Assessment, Dr. Katie Ahsell; Assistant Superintendent for Instruction, Susan Savage; Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, Ross Vittore; Assistant Superintendent for Technology & Innovation, Ben Grey; Public Relations, Brandon Szabo; Recording Secretary, Cindy Pullen.

The sign-in sheet for the meeting is linked [HERE](#).

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

3.0 COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC - No public comments

4.0 BOARD RECOGNITION/PRESENTATIONS

4.01 NSSEO FY26 Tentative Budget [Presentation](#) [Budget](#)

NSSEO presented the budget for the 2025–2026 school year, which includes the expected costs for CCSD59. Overall, there will be an increase of about \$290,000 due to more students enrolling and higher student tuition. These numbers are estimates and may change depending on how many students actually attend NSSEO from CCSD59.

4.02 Early Learning Update [Presentation](#)

The Early Learning Update presentation focused on introducing the early childhood programs CCSD59 offers at the Early Learning Center (ELC) and Ridge Family Center for Learning (Ridge). It covered the early intervention process, recent updates at both sites, and ideas for the future. Highlights include:

- CCSD59's early childhood program has several parts and serves students in Special Education, Preschool for All, and Tuition-based Students
- There are 401 children across the two sites (ELC and Ridge) - the highest number of early childhood students CCSD59 has ever served.
- The district connects with families through the website, word of mouth, staff outreach, preschool info nights at local libraries, and more.
- Screenings for eligible children are held each year in August and January.

- Ridge is a K-5 building that recently reopened pre-k classrooms. This included updates to improve accessibility in classrooms, the building, and the playground.
- There was also discussion around what would be required for exploration of a full-day Preschool for All program and how those considerations will be a part of the long-range facilities planning process.

5.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

5.01 Monthly Updates

Superintendent Bresnahan gave updates on different projects happening across the District. Here are some of the key highlights:

Long-Range Facilities Planning

- The District is starting the planning process for future facility needs.
- The official kickoff will happen at the beginning of next school year.
- Information about how to join the Long-Range Facilities Planning Committee will be shared in the coming months.
- A Demographic and Enrollment Study is currently in progress.

Title VI and DEI

- The U.S. Department of Education (DOE) in a letter to the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) asked all school districts to sign a letter promising not to violate Title VI, including not implementing anything related to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI).
- CCSD59 has not received anything directly from the DOE. We are working with our legal team and the State Board of Education to understand next steps. A letter from the State Superintendent was sent on behalf of ISBE.

5Essentials Survey

- The state-required survey has officially closed and had a 98% response rate from students in grades 4-8, 88% from staff, and 30% from parents.

Other Updates

- The next Safety and Discipline Committee meeting is on May 7 at 6:00 p.m. Families are welcome to attend. The meeting will focus on our School Resource Officer (SRO) program.
- The District is continuing to test new student devices in classrooms. A recommendation will ideally be brought to the Board in May for approval.

5.02 Strategic Plan Refresher

The Board of Education talked about updating and continuing the five-year [Strategic Plan](#), which is now in its fourth year. The Board plans to hold a few workshops to review and refresh the plan.

6.0 CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Szczęsny, seconded by Mrs. Kitzinger to adopt the following resolution:
BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the 9th day of April 2025, the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented/amended:

- 6.01 Approval of Minutes-Prior Meetings
 - a. Regular Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2025
 - b. Closed Session Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2025
- 6.02 Disbursements Resolution
 - a. Disbursement Listing for 2024-25
- 6.03 Acceptance of Financial Reports Reports
 - a. Detail Balance Sheet for February 2025
 - b. Combined Revenue and Expense Report for February 2025
 - c. Investment Report for February 2025
 - d. Activity Fund Statements for February 2025
- 6.04 Acceptance of Recommendations: Human Resources Report
 - a. New Contract Recommendations
 - b. Departure Recommendations
- 6.05 Approval to Destroy 18 Month Old or Older Closed Session Recordings

Roll Call Ayes: 7 Dzak, Eddy, Johnson, Kitzinger, Notini, Sagerer, Szczęsny
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Abstain: 0
Motion carried: 7-0-0-0

7.0 ACTION ITEMS

7.01 Approval of Closing Date for the 2024-2025 School Term

Motion by Dr. Sagerer, seconded by Mr. Szczesny to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the last day of student and staff attendance for the 2024/25 school year will be June 2, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the official calendar for the 2024/25 school year represents the following:

Five (5) Proposed Emergency Days	Zero (0) School Cancellation Days
June 3-6 & June 9, 2025	One (1) eLearning Days on February 12, 2025

One Hundred Seventy-seven (176) Total Days Toward Pupil Attendance

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on the 9th day of April 2025, the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education approves the final school calendar for the 2024/25 school year based upon the following:

176 student attendance days and 4 institute days.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the last day of attendance for students and staff will be June 2, 2025.

Roll Call Ayes: 7 Dzak, Eddy, Johnson, Kitzinger, Notini, Sagerer, Szczęsny
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Abstain: 0
Motion carried: 7-0-0-0

7.02 Proclamation for Volunteer Appreciation Week (April 21-25, 2025)

Motion by Mrs. Kitzinger, seconded by Mrs. Eddy to adopt the following resolution:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT April 21-25, 2025 is hereby proclaimed Public School Volunteer Appreciation Week within Community Consolidated School District 59 in recognition of the contributions made by volunteers working throughout our school district during the 2024/2025 school year for the benefit of students, staff, and our community.

Approved this 9th day of April, 2025.

Roll Call Ayes: 7 Dzak, Eddy, Johnson, Kitzinger, Notini, Sagerer, Szczęsny
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Abstain: 0
Motion carried: 7-0-0-0

7.03 Proclamation for Staff Appreciation Week (May 5-9, 2025)

Motion by Dr. Sagerer, seconded by Mr. Szczesny to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS: *Preparing Students to be Successful for Life* is the mission of Community Consolidated School District 59; and

WHEREAS: the economic future of our community, state, and nation is dependent upon a knowledgeable and informed citizenry; and

WHEREAS: the week of **May 5-9, 2025** has been designated as National Teacher Appreciation Week;

WHEREAS: members of the Board of Education desire to recognize teachers and all employees of School District 59 for their dedicated contributions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the 9th day of April, 2025, on behalf of the residents, parents and students, and especially members of the Board of Education, the week of **May 5-9, 2025**, is hereby proclaimed as Staff Appreciation Week within Community Consolidated School District 59.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the President and Secretary of the Board of Education will sign the proclamation attached

hereto and a certified copy of the proclamation will be sent to each school within Community Consolidated School District 59.

Roll Call Ayes: 7 Dzak, Eddy, Johnson, Kitzinger, Notini, Sagerer, Szczęśny
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Abstain: 0
Motion carried: 7-0-0-0

7.04 Approval of Mobile Units at John Jay Elementary School

Motion by Mr. Szczęśny, seconded by Mrs. Kitzinger to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the 9th day of April, 2025 the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education hereby approves the request for usage of a temporary facility (mobile classroom) at John Jay Elementary School.

Roll Call Ayes: 7 Dzak, Eddy, Johnson, Kitzinger, Notini, Sagerer, Szczęśny
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Abstain: 0
Motion carried: 7-0-0-0

The motion by Dr. Sagerer and seconded by Mr. Szczesny was restated to include the cost of \$244,924.

Roll Call Ayes: 7 Dzak, Eddy, Johnson, Kitzinger, Notini, Sagerer, Szczęśny
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Abstain: 0
Motion carried: 7-0-0-0

7.05 Approval of District 59 Education Foundation Donation

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Dzak to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the 9th day of April, 2025, the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education approves the donation from the District 59 Education Foundation to CCSD59 schools totaling \$7,770.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Superintendent shall communicate to the District 59 Education Foundation, in writing, expressing the appreciation of the members of the Board of Education, and that this donation shall be listed in the “official” minutes of this meeting.

Roll Call Ayes: 7 Dzak, Eddy, Johnson, Kitzinger, Notini, Sagerer, Szczęśny
Nays: 0
Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion carried: 7-0-0-0

8.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS

8.01 Food Service Contract

The District has completed the first year of a new contract with our food service provider, Organic Life. The District has an option to renew yearly, that should not exceed four additional one-year extensions. The administration recommends renewing the contract with a 2.9% increase. The Board will take action on this agreement at a future meeting.

8.02 Meal Fees 2025/26 School Year

Fees charged for a reduced-price meal are established by the National School Lunch Program. In June 2024, the Board approved the lunch fee for a full-priced meal at \$3.35 for all schools. Each year, Districts are required to increase meal fees by \$0.10. The District recommends to minimally increase lunch fees from \$3.35 to \$3.45. In addition, it is recommended the breakfast fee remains at \$1.30 and the price of a carton of milk remains at \$0.50. The Board will take action on this at a future meeting.

8.03 Renewal For Refuse/Recycling Service

The District is finishing its first year with Republic Services. This year, the contract includes a 5.0% rate increase, raising the monthly charge by \$340.04, for a total of \$7,140.94 per month. The administration recommends extending the contract with Republic Services. The Board will take action on this at a future meeting.

8.04 Health/Dental Insurance Renewal

The Insurance Committee met with Alera Group to discuss plan renewals. Plan options have been reviewed, with costs to decrease. The increase in cost to the District is in line with industry average.

8.05 Workers Compensation Insurance Renewal

Willis Tower Watson, the District's workers' compensation broker, is finalizing our renewal with United Heartland. The renewal calls for the premium increasing overall by 8% to \$604,265. The Board will take action on this at a future meeting.

8.06 Notice of Non-Renewal of IGA

The Board discussed and approved the District's allocation plan that included the increase of the position of Director of Safety and Security from 0.5 to 1.0 during the February 2025 Board meeting. As a result, the District will not renew the intergovernmental agreement (IGA) between CCSD59 and CCSD21 for this shared employee. The IGA will expire on June 30, 2025 and notice of non-renewal will be provided to CCSD21 in writing no later than May 1, 2025, per the terms of the agreement.

9.0 REPORTS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

9.01 Behavior Intervention / School Safety Committee - Mrs. Eddy

The committee met last month. There will be a School Safety Committee meeting prior to the May 7th board meeting.

9.02 Board Policy Committee - Mr. Johnson - no report

9.03 Curriculum & Assessment Committee - Mrs. Dzak - no report

9.04 Finance & Facilities Committee - Mrs. Notini

The committee met this evening and it went well.

9.05 Insurance Committee - Mr. Johnson - no report**9.06 Employee Wellness Committee - Mrs. Dzak**

The committee met last month; the share cart, nutrition and food in the classrooms were discussed. Mrs. Dzak thanked those who feed our kids everyday.

9.06 ED-RED - Mr. Johnson

Confirmed that everyone receives the emails

9.07 NSSEO - Mr. Szczesny

The budget was presented this evening.

9.08 IASB - Mr. Johnson

Confirmed that everyone receives the emails

9.09 D59 Education Foundation - Dr. Sagerer

Mini grants have been completed; kindergarten welcome materials have been presented to the schools; the picture wall has been updated. Mrs. Dzak will be the new representative.

9.10 Long-Range Planning Committee - Dr. Bresnahan

The committee met yesterday and reviewed the timeline from Wold and RSP.

- Mrs. Dzak shared that she go to see the new student devices in action at Ridge with Mrs. Kitzinger
- Mrs. Notinin will be visiting Low and Holmes
- Dr. Sagerer visited Grove to see the STEM program & had lunch with 6th graders

10.0 INFORMATIONAL ITEMS - None**11.0 CLOSED SESSION**

Motion at 9:30 pm by Mr. Szczesny seconded by Mrs. Kitzinger to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the 9th day of April 2025, the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education recess in a closed meeting for discussion of:

A. To consider information regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of an employee or officer **5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)**

B. Collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees **5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)**

C. To consider a student discipline/residency/transportation matter **5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9)**

D. To consider pending litigation **5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)**

E. Security procedures, school building safety and security, and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public, or public property **5 ILCS 120/2(c)(8)**

F. The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired. **5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5)**

G. Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed, 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)**

Roll Call Ayes: 7 Dzak, Eddy, Johnson, Kitzinger, Notini, Sagerer, Szczesny
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Abstain: 0
Motion carried: 7-0-0-0

12.0 RECONVENE

Motion at 10:37 pm by Dr. Sagerer seconded by Mrs. Kitzinger to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the 9th day April of 2025, the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education meeting is reconvened.


Roll Call Ayes: 7 Dzak, Eddy, Johnson, Kitzinger, Notini, Sagerer, Szczesny
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Abstain: 0
Motion carried: 7-0-0-0

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

Motion at 10:38 pm by Mr. Szczesny seconded by Mrs. Kitzinger to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the 9th day of April 2025, the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education meeting is adjourned.

Roll Call Ayes: 7 Dzak, Eddy, Johnson, Kitzinger, Notini, Sagerer, Szczesny
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Abstain: 0
Motion carried: 7-0-0-0



President

ATTEST:



Secretary