

**MINUTES OF A JOINT SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE BOARDS OF EDUCATION  
CITY OF LAKE FOREST SCHOOL DISTRICT 67  
LAKE FOREST COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 115  
NOVEMBER 14, 2023**

**Call to Order and Roll Call**

A Joint Special Meeting of the Board of Education of Lake Forest Community High School District 115, County of Lake, State of Illinois, was held on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 300 South Waukegan Road, Lake Forest, IL 60045, and called to order at 5:18 p.m by Mr. Noble.

Board members present at roll call were:

Dewey Winebrenner, Secretary  
David Burns, Member  
Sally Davis, Member

John Noble, Board President  
Jenny Zinser, Vice - President  
John Venson, Member

Absent: Marcus Schabacker, Member

Administration Present:

Matthew Montgomery, Superintendent  
Jeff McHugh, Deputy Superintendent  
Jennifer Hermes, Chief Operating Officer/CSBO  
Melissa Oakley, Chief Communications Officer

Staff Present:

Tiana Adams, Board Clerk

Also Present: Carl Kirar, District 67 Board of Education Member  
Emily Bernahl, District 67 Board of Education Secretary  
Monica Yaun, District 67 Board of Education Member  
Mark Remus, District 67 Board of Education Member  
Anne Helms, District 67 Board of Education President  
Alice LeVert, District 67 Board of Education Vice President  
Megan Engelberg, District 67 Board of Education Vice President

Guests: AJ Crabill, Board Retreat Facilitator

**Public Participation:**

There was no public participation.

AJ Crabill, author of "Great on Their Behalf: Why School Boards Fail, How Yours Can Become Effective," led the Boards in a discussion on what are the most important goals of a school board. School boards exist to represent the interests of the community; they are not tasked with the same responsibilities as the administrative team.

The Boards worked together to identify areas of opportunity to improve input, output, and outcomes.

Discussion held on how the Board can be more effective in their roles and how to develop goals that will align with the District's priorities, student outcomes, and community interests.

Mr. Crabill will provide some activities for the Board to help them evaluate how much time is spent on student outcomes. There will be a follow up meeting on December 14 to align on Board goals.

**Adjournment:**

A motion was made by Mr. Burns, seconded by Mr. Winebrenner that the Board of Education of Lake Forest Community High School District 115, Lake Forest, Illinois, adjourn the meeting.

On Voice Vote, motion carried.

The joint special meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

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John Noble, President      Date

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John Venson, Secretary      Date