

DEER PARK COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT #82

Minutes for a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

August 18, 2025

6:00 p.m.

Conference Room

2350 E. 1025th Rd.

Ottawa, IL 61350

1. ROLL CALL: President Glenn Weatherford called the regular meeting of the Board of Education at 5:55pm. In attendance were: Glen Weatherford, Lisa Kerestes, Katie Essman, Breanna Bergagna, and Christ Thomas. Absent: Patrick Monahan
2. The pledge of allegiance was given.
3. No visitors were present
4. Appointment of Brad Foster to the BOE: A motion was made by Katie Essman and seconded by Christ Thomas to appoint Brad Foster to a 2-year term. Roll Call, All Aye. Motion passed.
5. OLD BUSINESS: A motion was made by Bre Bergagna and seconded by Christ Thomas to accept the consent agenda and approve meeting minutes from August, 2025. Roll call: All ayes, motion passed.
6. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS: Mr. Sanders presented information on the following items—
 - District Finances are in good shape. Audit was conducted and we will await information from Hopkins and Associates for the AFR in September.
 - Superintendent Ted Sanders reported about the building project being delayed due to issues with getting the boilers manufactured. They were installed and electric panels were installed for the controls.
 - Updates were discussed about the AT&T bill, and the superintendent will be looking into it further with Ficek Electric. There is a possibility for a rebate of overpayment on lines that were disconnected. Still waiting on communications from AT&T
 - Beginning of school kicked off very well. Back to school night was well attended.
 - Our first teacher in-service was completed with a review of the employee handbook and required notifications and trainings to start the new year.
7. NEW BUSINESS:
 - A. A motion was made by Christ Thomas and seconded by Lisa Kerestes to Pay bills. Roll call: All aye, motion passed.
 - B. A motion was made by Bre Bergagna and seconded by Christ Thomas to place the tentative FY 26 Budget on display until September 22, 2025. Roll Call: All aye, motion passed.
 - C. A motion was made by Katie Essman and seconded by Lisa Kerestes to hire Mary Cate Riordin as part-time Substitute teacher to cover JH social studies, PE/Health at the beginning teacher rate with no benefits. Roll call: All aye, motion passed.
8. CLOSED SESSION: No closed session

9. ACTION ITEMS FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION: None

10. ADJOURN- A motion to adjourn was made by Katie Essman and seconded by Bre Bergagna. All aye, motion passed. Adjourned at 6:24pm.

Board President Date

Board Secretary Date