Special Board of Education Meeting August 13, 2025 Thornton Fractional Center for Academics & Technology 1605 Wentworth Ave. Calumet City, IL 60409 MINUTES



1. Call to Order/Roll call

President Terrazas called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. with the following roll call: **Present:** Calderon-Miranda, Guyton, Myers, Newman, Perkins, Terrazas, Williams **Absent:**

2. Public Comment--none

3. Closed Session to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee(s), specific independent contractors, specific volunteers, or District legal counsel

I move to recess to closed session at 7:32 p.m. to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee(s), specific independent contractors, specific volunteers, or District legal counsel. This motion, made by Member Myers and seconded by Member Williams, passed.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Calderon-Miranda, Guyton, Myers, Newman, Perkins, Terrazas, Williams Nays: Absent:

Member Myers moved, seconded by Member Newman that the Board of Education adjourn to open session at 8:38 p.m. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Calderon-Miranda, Guyton, Myers, Newman, Perkins, Terrazas, Williams Nays: Absent:

4. Approve Personnel Report

I move to approve the Personnel Report as presented with removal of item 14 pulled for separate consideration. This motion, made by Member Perkins and seconded by Member Myers, passed.

- 1) It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the report of the resignation of Lourdes Angel, Bilingual Paraprofessional at T.F. South, effective May 30, 2025.
- 2) It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the report of the resignation of Arielle Daniels, Paraprofessional at T.F. South, effective May 30, 2025.
- 3) It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the report of the resignation of Eugenia Johnson, Paraprofessional at T.F. North, effective May 30, 2025.
- 4) It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the report of the resignation of Abena Trice, Executive Assistant of Teaching & Learning, effective July 25, 2025.
- 5) It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the report of the resignation of Demond Watt Deans' Assistant at T.F. North, effective May 30, 2025.
- 6) It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the report of the retirement of Gloria Kijewski, English Teacher at T.F. South, effective the last day of the 2027-2028 school term.
- 7) It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the report of the retirement of Jeffrey Majewski, School Counselor at T.F. South, effective the last day of the 2028-2029 school term.
- 8) It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the report of the retirement of Elizabeth Stramaglia, English Teacher at T.F. North, effective the last day of the 2028-2029 school term.
- 9) It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the report of the retirement of Mike Tisza, Physical Education Teacher at T.F. South, effective the last day of the 2028-2029 school term.
- 10) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Lisa Becker as a Special Education Paraprofessional at T.F. South, effective August 13, 2025.
- 11) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Lawrence Crayton as a Maintenance Worker at T.F. South, effective August 18, 2025.

- 12) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Jayln Gales as a Special Education Paraprofessional at T.F. South, effective August 13, 2025.
- 13) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Jasmine Hicks as a Cook at T.F. South, effective August 13, 2025.
- 14) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Leiya Murphy as a Science Teacher at T.F. North/T.F. South for the 2025-2026 school term. Pulled for separate consideration.
- 15) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the temporary employment of Ruth Raickett-Roberts as In-School Coordinator at T.F. North, effective August 13, 2025 through November 5, 2025.
- 16) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Annika Salinas as an Electrical Teacher at T. F. Center, effective for the 2025-2026 school term.
- 17) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Jania Samuels-Harris as a Cafeteria Aide at T.F. South, effective August 13, 2025.
- 18) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Brandon Story as a Deans' Assistant at T.F. North, effective August 13, 2025.
- 19) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the 2025-2026 employment contract of Brian Bergthold as Interim Assistant Principal of Pupil Personnel Services at T.F. South.
- 20) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the 2025-2026 employment contract of Sabrina Keyes as Business Manager.
- 21) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA Leave for Muhammad Abdur-Rahim, Deans' Assistant at T.F. South, effective for the 2025-2026 school term.
- 22) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Tajmar Carter, Social Worker at T.F. South, effective for the 2025-2026 school term.
- 23) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Tina Freeberg, Deans' Assistant at T.F. Center, effective for the 2025-2026 school term.
- 24) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA Leave for Michelle Jones, Math Teacher at T.F. North, effective for the 2025-2026 school term.
- 25) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Anita Martinez, Cafeteria Aide at T.F. North, effective for the 2025-2026 school term.
- 26) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Jeffrey Ortiz, Custodian at T.F. Center, effective August 6, 2025 through June 30, 2026.
- 27) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Michele Owens, Art Teacher at T.F. South, effective for the 2025-2026 school term.
- 28) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Matthew Tiffy, Social Studies Teacher at T.F. South, effective August 20, 2025 through October 17, 2025.
- 29) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Dawn Walker, Assistant Principal at T.F. Center, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.
- 30) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Nancy Welker, Physical Education Teacher at T.F. South, effective for the 2025-2026 school term.
- 31) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve extended illness leave for Teresa Jones, Cafeteria Aide at T.F. North, effective August 13, 2025 through October 13, 2025.
- 32) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the sixth assignment for Justin Viau, Math Teacher at T.F. North, to teach algebra for the 2025-2026 school term.
- 33) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve discipline for Raymond Smith, Sr., Custodian at T.F. North, as discussed in closed session.
- 34) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following extra-curricular resignations and appointments:

Resignations:

Sade May, Contest Play Director, T.F. North

Sade May, Drama Coach, T.F. North

Sade May, Group Interpretation Sponsor, T.F. North

Appointments:

Yasmie Hill, Girls' Club Sponsor, T.F. South

Miguel Vargas, Boys' Soccer Assistant Coach, T.F. North.

- 35) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Substitute Teachers for the 2025-2026 school term: Alma Agosto, Berta Salazar, Mariah Villaroman.
- 36) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Student Teacher at T.F. South for Fall 2025: Logan Yugo.
- 37) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Volunteer for the 2025-2026 school term: Teresa Bishop.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Calderon-Miranda, Guyton, Myers, Newman, Perkins, Terrazas, Williams Nays: Absent:

I move to approve item 14 of the personnel report. This motion, made by Member Myers and seconded by Member Williams, passed.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Leiya Murphy as a Science Teacher at T.F. North/T.F. South for the 2025-2026 school term.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Guyton, Myers, Newman, Perkins, Terrazas, Williams Nays: Abstain: Calderon-Miranda

5. Approve Tentative Fiscal Year 2025-26 Annual Budget for display and set Public Hearing Date I move to approve the Tentative Fiscal Year 2025-26 Annual Budget for display and set the Public Hearing Date for September 23, 2025. This motion, made by Member Guyton and seconded by Member Perkins, passed.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Calderon-Miranda, Guyton, Myers, Newman, Perkins, Terrazas, Williams Nays: Absent:

6. Adjourn

I move to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. This motion, made by Member Myers and seconded by Member Perkins, passed on voice vote.

Recording Secretary