

**Regular Board Meeting  
Board of Education School District No. 6  
Lake County, Illinois  
2800 29<sup>th</sup> Street, Zion IL 60099  
April 20, 2026 at 6:00 PM**

**Roll Call**

President Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m., and held the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members present:** Jazmine Crump, Ken Fielding, Netya Perez Rivera, Robert Surano, and Margie Taylor.

**Absent:** Denise Lear and Jacqueline San Diego.

**Administration and staff present:** Julious Lawson, Superintendent, Samantha Snyder, CSBO, Erik Youngman, Director of Teaching and Learning, April Miller, Director of Human Resources, Mike Scofield, Director of Technology, Ryan Hawkins, Special Education Supervisor, Kim Monk, Director of Student Services, Donelle Staples, Director of Communications and Strategic Initiatives, and Kimberly Hall, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent and Board of Education Secretary.

**Approval of Amended Agenda**

President Taylor removed New Business Item D. Single Student and Small Group Transportation from the agenda and asked for a motion to approve the Amended Agenda as presented.

**Motion** made by Ken Fielding, seconded by Netya Perez Rivera.

**Roll Call:** Ayes; Ken Fielding, Netya Perez Rivera, Robert Surano, Margie Taylor, and Jazmine Crump.

Nays: None.

**Motion carried.**

**Celebrations and Recognitions**

Dr. Lawson recognized the Nominees and Honoree for the Lake County Regional Office of Education Educator of the Year event held on May 6, 2026. Dr. Lawson also presented the award and pins to the Board of Education for their Governance Award which were handed out at the Lakes Division Dinner Meeting held on April 15, 2026.

**Public Participation**

There were no public comments.

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, which involves one roll call vote for all recommendations including the minutes for the March 16, 2026, Regular Board Meeting.

*It is the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the following resignations.*

- **Bagnall, Dixil**, resignation from the position of 4<sup>th</sup> grade Teacher at West Elementary School, originally effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year, updated effective March 30, 2026
- **Luis Dordelly**, resignation from the position of 2nd grade Teacher at East Elementary School, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year.
- **Rafael Roman**, resignation from the position of Interventionist at East Elementary School, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year.
- **Katerin Ulloa**, resignation from the position of Paraprofessional at Zion Central Middle School, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year.

*It is the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the employment of the following personnel for the positions and dates of employment as indicated, subject to successful completion of the medical examination and forms, as required by Section 24-5 of the Illinois School Code, successful completion of a criminal background investigation as required by Section 1-21.9 of the Illinois School Code, a Child Abuse Registry check, and submission of all forms, documents, and certifications required by law and/or requested by the District:*

- **Gunasekaran, Monika**, for the position of Human Resources Generalist, new position, Zion Elementary School District 6, effective, April 21, 2026.  
Classified: \$75,400.00
- **Ortega, Marlene**, for the position of Human Resources Benefit and Leave Generalist, new position, Zion Elementary School District 6, effective, April 21, 2026.  
Classified: \$70,000.00

**Motion** made by Robert Surano, seconded by Jazmine Crump.

**Roll Call:** Ayes; Robert Surano, Jazmine Crump, Netya Perez Rivera, Margie Taylor, and Ken Fielding.

Nays; None.

**Motion carried.**

### **President's Report**

President Taylor reviewed the May calendar with the board. The Joint Board Meeting scheduled for April 29<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled. The board will perform the Superintendent evaluation during closed session at the May 18<sup>th</sup> board meeting. There were no updates regarding the taxing bodies and SEDOL this month. There may be possible TIF meeting in May. The finance committee did not meet this month.

### **Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Lawson presented the monthly school reports.

### **Presentations**

Dr. Erik Young, Director of Teaching and Learning and Jennifer Sajovec, Teaching and Learning Coordinator, presented on Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) which is a district-wide framework for helping all students succeed academically, behaviorally, and socially.

### **New Business**

#### ***Safety Drills 2025-2026***

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the School Safety Drills for 2025-2026 school year as presented.

**Motion** made by Ken Fielding, seconded by Netya Perez Rivera.

**Roll Call:** Ayes; Ken Fielding, Netya Perez Rivera, Robert Surano, Margie Taylor, and Jazmine Crump.

Nays; None.

**Motion carried**

#### ***County School Facility Occupation Tax***

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the Resolution allowing the Regional Superintendent to place the County Facility Tax question on the next regular election ballot as presented.

**Motion** made by Jazmine Crump, seconded by Robert Surano.

**Roll Call:** Ayes; Jazmine Crump, Robert Surano, Margie Taylor, and Netya Perez Rivera.

Nays; Ken Fielding.

**Motion carried**

#### ***Treasurer's Bond***

President Taylor asked for a motion to appoint Samantha Snyder, Treasurer, and approve the Treasurer's Bond effective July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027 as presented.

**Motion** made by Ken Fielding, seconded by Netya Perez Rivera.

**Roll Call:** Ayes; Ken Fielding, Netya Perez Rivera, Jazmine Crump, Robert Surano, and Margie Taylor.

Nays; None.

**Motion carried**

***Prepare FY26 Amended Budget***

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve Authorization to Prepare the FY26 Amended Budget and set the Public Hearing Date as June 15, 2026 at 6:00 pm as presented.

**Motion** made by Jazmine Crump, seconded by Ken Fielding.

**Roll Call:** Ayes; Jazmine Crump, Ken Fielding, Netya Perez Rivera, Robert Surano, and Margie Taylor.

Nays; None.

**Motion carried**

***Prepare FY27 Tentative Budget***

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve Authorization to Prepare the FY27 Tentative Budget as presented.

**Motion** made by Jazmine Crump, seconded by Netya Perez Rivera.

**Roll Call:** Ayes; Jazmine Crump, Netya Perez Rivera, Robert Surano, Margie Taylor, and Ken Fielding.

Nays; None.

**Motion carried**

***Sewer Replacement Agreement***

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the Sewer Replacement Agreement as presented.

**Motion** made by Robert Surano, seconded by Jazmine Crump.

**Roll Call:** Ayes; Robert Surano, Jazmine Crump, Margie Taylor, Ken Fielding, and Netya Perez Rivera.

Nays; None.

**Motion carried**

**Closed Session**

President Taylor asked for a motion to enter into Closed Session for the purpose of:

- A. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals, who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body, or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

**Motion** made by Robert Surano, seconded by Jazmine Crump to enter into Closed Session.

**Roll Call:** Ayes; Robert Surano, Jazmine Crump, Margie Taylor, Ken Fielding, and Netya Perez Rivera.

Nays; None

**Motion carried** and the Board entered Closed Session at 7:09 p.m.

There being no further business, the Board exited Closed Session at 8:02 p.m. and resumed Open Session.

**Other Business**

***Review of Closed Session Minutes***

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the recommendation to release the closed session minutes for the following meetings which no longer require confidential treatment and to report that the need for confidentiality still exists as to all other closed session minutes: May 19, 2025, June 16, 2025 and August 11, 2025 as presented.

**Motion** made by Robert Surano, seconded by Jazmine Crump.

**Roll Call:** Ayes; Robert Surano, Jazmine Crump, Ken Fielding, Netya Perez Rivera, and Margie Taylor.

Nays; None.

**Motion carried**

***Review of Closed Session Minutes Verbatim Recordings***

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the recommendation to destroy the closed session verbatim recordings for the following meetings: March 18, 2024, April 15, 2024, May 13, 2024, June 17, 2024, July 23, 2024 and August 12, 2024 as presented.

**Motion** made by Netya Perez Rivera, seconded by Jazmine Crump.

**Roll Call:** Ayes; Netya Perez Rivera, Jazmine Crump, Ken Fielding, Robert Surano and Margie Taylor.

Nays; None.

**Motion carried**

***Non-ZEA and District Support Staff Salaries 2026-2027***

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the recommendation to approve the Non-ZEA and District Support Staff salaries for the 2026-2027 School Year as presented.

**Motion** made by Robert Surano, seconded by Jazmine Crump.

**Roll Call:** Ayes; Robert Surano, Jazmine Crump, Netya Perez Rivera, Margie Taylor, and Ken Fielding.

Nays; None.

**Motion carried**

***Administrator Contracts 2026-2027***

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the recommendation to approve the Administrator Contracts excluding the Chief School Business Official contract for the 2026-2027 School Year as presented.

**Motion** made by Ken Fielding, seconded by Netya Perez Rivera.

**Roll Call:** Ayes; Ken Fielding, Netya Perez Rivera, Robert Surano, Margie Taylor and Jazmine Crump.

Nays; None.

**Motion carried**

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the board motioned to adjourn.

**Ayes;** All in favor.      **Nays;** None.

**Roll Call:** Jazmine Crump, Ken Fielding, Netya Perez Rivera, Robert Surano, and Margie Taylor.

**Motion carried** unanimously and the meeting stood adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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President, Board of Education

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Secretary, Board of Education