

**MINUTES FOR THE GOVERNING BOARD MEETING FOR
THE JOHN C. DUNHAM STEM PARTNERSHIP SCHOOL
July 7, 2015**

**John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School
Easley Education Center
405 S. Gladstone Street
Aurora, IL 60506
Meeting started at 9:02 a.m.**

I. Meeting – 9:02 a.m.

- a. Call to Order
- b. Roll Call

Present: Dr. Mike Popp, Dr. Jeff Craig, Dr. Lisa Hichens, Dr. Karen Sullivan, Dr. Sherry Eagle

Also Present: Christine Crouch, Arin Carter, Sue Locke (Batavia Board Member), Dr. Oyer

- c. Recess/Reconvene

It was moved by Dr. Sullivan and seconded by Dr. Hichens that the Board move into Executive Session for the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.

Roll Call Vote: Yes—Dr. Popp, Dr. Craig, Dr. Sullivan, Dr. Eagle, Dr. Hichens
Motion carried.

The meeting was recessed at 9:03 a.m.

II. Executive Session – 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1)

- a. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.
- b. Recess/Reconvene

It was moved by Dr. Craig and seconded by Dr. Popp that the Governing Board recess and reconvene to the Regular Session.

The meeting was recessed at 9:18 a.m.

III. Regular Meeting – Open Session

a. Call to Order

Dr. Eagle called the meeting to order at 9:19 a.m.

b. Roll Call

Present: Dr. Popp, Dr. Eagle, Dr. Craig, Dr. Sullivan, Dr. Hichens

Also present: Christine Crouch, Arin Carter, Sue Locke (Batavia Board Member),
Dr. Oyer

c. Public Comment

Sue Locke introduced herself as a Board member from Batavia. She is the liaison to the STEM school from the Batavia School Board. Ms. Locke suggested that the STEM website also have board agendas, minutes, etc. posted.

d. Approval of Minutes of the May 22, 2015 Regular Meeting and the May 22, 2015 Executive Session.

It was moved by Dr. Hichens with a second by Dr. Sullivan that the Board approve the minutes of the May 22, 2015 Regular Meeting and May 22, 2015 Executive Session.

Motion carried on a voice vote.

e. Approval of the Teacher Leader for the John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School.

It was moved by Dr. Popp with a second from Dr. Hichens to approve Allison Kapitanoff as the Teacher Leader for the John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School.

Roll Call: Yes—Dr. Popp, Dr. Eagle, Dr. Sullivan, Dr. Craig, Dr. Hichens
Motion carried.

f. Approval of the Third Grade Teacher position for the John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School.

It was moved by Dr. Craig with a second from Dr. Popp to approve Kate Richards as a third grade teacher for the John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School.

Roll Call: Yes—Dr. Popp, Dr. Eagle, Dr. Sullivan, Dr. Craig, Dr. Hichens
Motion carried.

g. Election of President, John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School Governing Board

Dr. Hichens nominated Sherry Eagle for President with a second by Dr. Sullivan.

Roll Call: Yes—Dr. Popp, Dr. Eagle, Dr. Sullivan, Dr. Craig, Dr. Hichens
Dr. Eagle was unanimously elected as President of the Board.

- h. Election of Vice-President, John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School Governing Board

Dr. Craig nominated Dr. Hichens and Dr. Sullivan nominated Dr. Popp. A vote was taken.

Roll call: Dr. Popp—yes: Dr. Sullivan, Dr. Eagle, Dr. Hichens, Dr. Popp

Roll call: Dr. Hichens—yes: Dr. Craig

Dr. Popp was elected as Vice-President by a majority of the Board.

- i. Election of Secretary, John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School Governing Board

Dr. Sullivan nominated Dr. Hichens and Dr. Craig nominated Dr. Sullivan.

Roll call: Dr. Hichens—yes: Dr. Sullivan, Dr. Eagle, Dr. Hichens, Dr. Popp

Roll call: Dr. Sullivan—yes: Dr. Craig

Dr. Hichens was elected as Secretary by a majority of the Board.

- j. Approval of the 2015-16 Governing Board Meeting Calendar

Potential dates for the 15-16 Governing Board meetings were discussed. Dates selected included October 6, 2015, January 5, 2016, April 5, 2016 and August 2, 2016.

It was moved by Dr. Craig with a second from Dr. Hichens to approve the 2015-16 Governing Board Meeting Calendar, as presented.

Motion carried on a voice vote.

IV. Discussion

- a. John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School Evaluation Report—Dr. Oyer

Dr. Oyer shared the External Evaluation Report for the 2014-15 to measure the short-term outcomes of the school. The report should serve as a baseline as we move forward.

- b. School Improvement Plan—Arin Carter

Director Carter shared a proposed school improvement plan. As the plan was developed prior to receiving the External Evaluation Report, the Board suggested that Ms. Carter work with the school staff to revise the plan to be consistent with the results of the evaluation. The School Improvement Plan will be brought back to another meeting for discussion.

V. Informational

- a. Open House

Dr. Eagle shared that the John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School Open House is scheduled on August 18, 2015 from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

b. Preparation for opening

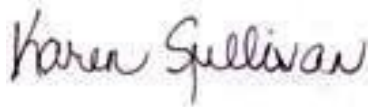
Dr. Eagle mentioned that the school may potentially need help filling an accelerated math position. Districts will be contacted if there is a need. Districts are continue to work on filling open student spots for the school.

VI. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dr. Hichens at 10:39 a.m. with a second by Dr. Craig.

Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karen Sullivan".

Karen Sullivan, Ed.D.
2014-15 Governing Board Secretary
John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School