ILLINOIS INTERNATIONAL PORT DISTRICT

Summary Record of Proceedings
of the
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

August 15, 2025

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Illinois International Port District was held on Friday, August 15, 2025, at the offices of the IIPD, at 3600 E. 95th Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Roll was called at approximately 11:10 am. The following Directors were present:

Mr. Solis	Present	Ms. Rodriguez	Present	Ms. McClendon	Present
Ms. Cassel	Present	Mr. Wisniewski	Present	Ms. Sanchez	Present
Ms. Edwards	Present	Dr. Sriraj	Present		

A quorum was present.

Also present: Erik Varela, Executive Director; Maria Limonciello, IIPD; Counsel Brad Smith, Neal and Leroy, LLC, and IIPD Treasurer LaKesha Lundy.

General Public Present: There was none,

REPORTS ON STANDING COMMITTEES

Leases and Agreements Committee Report – Items requiring action.

Adoption of Committee Minutes
Chairman Solis reported the Leases and Agreements Committee recommended the Board of Directors approve the Committee's July 18, 2025 meeting minutes and requested a Motion for approval. The Motion was made by Ms. Cassel, seconded by Dr. Sriraj, and the Motion passed unanimously.

FTZ Operating Agreements
Chairman Solis reported that the Leases and Agreements Committee recommended the Board of Directors approve the FTZ Operating Agreements with Accelerated Global, TranSync International LLC. and DM Merchandising Inc.

Chairman Solis requested a Motion of unanimous consent, approving the three FTZ Operating Agreements. The Motion was made by Ms. Cassel, seconded by Mr. Wisniewski, and the Motion passed unanimously.

Finance and Personnel Committee Report – Items requiring action

Adoption of Committee Minutes
Chairman Solis reported the Finance and Personnel Committee recommended the Board of Directors approve the Committee's July 18, 2025 meeting minutes and requested a Motion for approval. The Motion was made by Ms. Cassel, seconded by Dr. Sriraj, and the Motion passed unanimously.

Finance and Personnel Committee Report – Items requiring action

Adoption of Financial Reports
Chairman Solis reported the Finance and Personnel Committee recommended the Board of Directors approve the July 2025 Financial Reports and requested a Motion for approval. The Motion was made by Ms. Cassel, seconded by Ms. McClendon, and the Motion passed unanimously.

IDOT Grant Agreement – Iroquois Landing Dock Wall
Chairman Solis reported the Finance and Personnel Committee recommended the Board of Directors approve the IDOT Grant Agreement and associated Local Public Agency Engineering Services Agreement (sub agreement) relating to the dock wall at Iroquois Landing, subject to legal counsel review.

Chairman Solis requested a Motion for approval. The Motion was made by Dr. Sriraj, seconded by Ms. Rodriguez, and the Motion passed unanimously.

ADOPTION OF BOARD MINUTES

After review, Chairman Solis requested a Motion to approve the Board of Directors meeting minutes from the July 18, 2025, Board of Directors meeting. The Motion was made by Ms. Cassel, seconded by Ms. Rodriguez, and the Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Chairman Solis reported there was no Old Business to be addressed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Solis reported there was no business to discuss in Executive Session.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Solis reported there was no New Business to be addressed.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Executive Director Varela reported:

- He was elected Vice Chair at the annual AGLPA Board meeting in August.
- The IIPD Newsletter was published.
- Baniaz will be terminating its lease at Lake Calumet on September 1.
- IIPD staff participated in required MARSEC Security training. Daniel Anguiano was named the IIPD's Facility Security Officer.
- Cook County will provide an update on the Butler Drive reconstruction project at the September or October Board meeting.
- The shed roof replacement bid received five proposals. Proposals will be reviewed and presented at the September meeting.
- He has engaged Cherry Trivaldi as a pro-bono consultant relating to Port operations.

Director McClendon requested an update on Ms. Trivaldi's tasks at the September meeting and asked counsel Smith to review her agreement.

Chairman Solis confirmed the timing of the Security Services RFP. The RFP is to be published on August 22, and responses are due September 12, 2025.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the Board, Chairman Solis requested a Motion to adjourn. The Motion was made by Ms. Edwards, seconded by Dr. Sriraj, and the Motion passed unanimously.

Next Scheduled Meeting

The next Board of Directors meeting, the Leases and Agreements Committee meeting, and the Finance and Personal Committee meeting will be held on Friday, September 19, 2025 at 3600 E. 95th Street, Chicago, Illinois. The Leases and Agreements Committee meeting will begin at 8:00 a.m., followed by the Finance and Personnel Committee. The Regular Board Meeting will follow the adjournment of the Finance and Personnel Committee.

APPROVED:

Ivan Solis
Chairman

ATTESTED:

Kathleen Dart
Secretary