

**MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
LASALLE-PERU TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 120
JANUARY 22, 2025, 6:00 PM**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Greg Sarver, President, called to order the Regular Meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Thomas J. McCormack Library/Media Center at LaSalle-Peru Township High School, 541 Chartres Street, LaSalle, IL.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mr. Greg Sarver, President, Mrs. Sally Taliani, Vice President, Mr. Matt Merboth, Dr. Rose Marie Lynch, Mrs. Carol Alcorn, and Mr. Scott Pescetto

ABSENT: Mr. Gary Ferrari (arrived at 6:06 p.m.)

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Steven Wroblewski, Superintendent, Mrs. Ingrid Cushing, Principal, Dr. Christopher Gibson, Associate Principal for Teaching and Learning, Dr. Shane Lange, Director Area Career Center, Ms. Kate Lance, Associate Principal for School Safety, Mrs. Jayme Salazar, Associate Principal for Student Support Services, Mr. Matt Baker, Director of Communications, Mrs. Jennifer Does, Business Manager, Attorney Walt Zukowski and Mrs. Jennifer Riva, Board Secretary

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 18, 2024, REGULAR MEETING

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Taliani, to approve the minutes from December 18, 2024, Regular Meeting, as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Taliani, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 6-0.**

RECOGNITIONS AND COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

This month, the Board of Education was honored by our Renaissance Program Co-Advisors, Mrs. Andrea Eichelkraut and Mrs. Abby Goy, along with members of the Renaissance student leadership team, Jordan Whaley and Lainey Johns, in recognition of the Board's continued support of the Renaissance Program.

Division Spotlight

Mrs. Emmy Carney, Division Chair and Counselor, represented Student Support Services highlighting the extensive resources available to students through the school Psychologist, Social Workers, Attendance Advocacy Program (AAP) Coordinator, Nurses, Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) Interventionist and Counselors. School Counselor, Mrs. Andrea Eichelkraut, presented on the CavalCare program, highlighting its positive impact on both participating students and staff.

Public Comment

Mr. Sarver asked the attending public if there were any comments or questions. No comments or questions were voiced.

FINANCE

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Dr. Lynch to approve the L-P Bills as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Ferrari, Mrs. Taliani, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The Motion carried 7-0.**

MOTION by Mrs. Taliani, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn, to approve the ACC Bills as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Taliani, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Ferrari, Mr. Merboth, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The Motion carried 7-0.**

MOTION by Mr. Pescetto, seconded by Dr. Lynch, to approve the Payroll as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Pescetto, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Ferrari, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Alcorn, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The Motion carried 7-0.**

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Taliani, to approve Financial Report, ACH Report, Activity Fund Report, Treasurer's Report, Bank Reconciliation, Cash and Investments Report and Hometown Cash Management Report as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Ferrari, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

CORRESPONDENCE

- Thank you card from the Ksiazak family, expressing appreciation for the floral arrangement in honor of Mr. Frank Ksiazak (Father of Mrs. Chris Wilke and Grandfather of Mr. August Wilke)
- Thank you letter from Mrs. Cheryl DePaepe for the Board of Education's donation to the L-P Educational Foundation in memory of Mr. Frank Ksiazak (Father of Mrs. Chris Wilke and Grandfather of Mr. August Wilke)
- Thank you card from the Scoma family expressing appreciation for the floral arrangement in honor of Mr. Francis Scoma (Father-in-law of Mrs. Jennifer Scoma and Grandfather of Mr. Drew Scoma)
- Thank you card from the Vincent family expressing appreciation for the support and kind gesture in honor of Mrs. Marjorie Ann Vincent (Mother of Mrs. Kathy Prosinski)
- TIF Reimbursements

City of Oglesby		\$22,472.02
Village of North Utica	TIF I	\$6,426.76
	TIF II	<u>\$465.97</u>
TOTAL TIF REIMBURSEMENTS:		\$36,257.48

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS/DISCUSSION

Building and Grounds Committee: Mr. Ferrari, Committee Chair, gave his report from the Building and Grounds Committee Meeting on Monday, January 13, 2025, reporting on the following Ag Building update, School Maintenance Grant status, Replacement of Four Remaining Basketball Backstops, Kitchen Freezer Colter Replacement, Sellett Gym North Bleachers Motor Mount Replacement, Update on Existing Facility Projects: Donal Building Elevator, Health Occupations Classroom Renovation, and Rooftop Unit (Machine Classroom), New Fire Extinguisher Carrier, Additional \$44K in resources from our IDEA grant for the Sip N Savor project, and the delivery of the Press Box windows, Pool Equipment Room windows and equipment to modify the ACC door at the Creve Coeur entrance.

Finance Committee: Mr. Merboth, Committee Chair, provided the Finance report from the meeting held on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, reporting on the following: Monthly Financials, Recommendation to begin the FY 2026 District Budget, Series 2025 Update, Paraprofessional Substitute Pay Rate recommendation, Replacement of the Four Remaining Basketball Backstops, Review of the 2024 Annual Disclosure Report, Resolution to Sell Equipment, Working Cash transfer recommendation of \$235,000.00 to the Building Fund, Budget Amendment in May, and FY2025 Audit.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Steven Wroblewski, reported on the following topics:

1. **Board Presentation—Attendance and Discipline Data:** Ms. Kate Lance and Mrs. Jayme Salazar have prepared presentations summarizing our attendance and discipline data through the end of the first semester. They will compare our numbers now to last year. The presentations are included in my report.
2. **Hall of Honor Board Invitations:** The Hall of Honor Class of 2024 induction ceremony is scheduled for February 7 and 8. On Friday, February 7, inductees will be introduced before the start of the varsity basketball game against Ottawa. The induction ceremony is scheduled for February 8, beginning at 5:00 pm. The Board is invited to attend.
3. **FY 2026 Budget Development Kick-Off:** January is the official budget development kick-off month. An action item in new business asks the Board to authorize my office to officially begin the FY2026 District budget.
4. **Staff Feedback on School Report Card Data:** I've attached the staff feedback on our school report card data from the January 7th Institute Day. As you can imagine, the data was shocking to the staff. However, I am pleased with the sense of urgency they have displayed. Ingrid, Chris, and I are meeting with the English, Math, and Science departments all together on 1/22. The purpose of this meeting is to remind everyone about our Dream Team focus and to express our belief that we're all in this together but need to make immediate changes. I'll have more to share following the meeting.
5. **Health Occupation Renovation Renderings:** We are ready to let bids for the Health Occupation classroom renovation – which is an action item on the 1/22 agenda. I've included 3-D renderings of the room's appearance in my report. Mr. Tom Kowalski is funding the project.
6. **FY 2025 Audit Dates:** Dates have been set for the FY 2025 audit with Newkirk and Associates. June 26 will be a prep day. Newkirk will be on site from August 25 through 29. We expect to receive their report at the October Board meeting.
7. **ROE 5-Year Compliance Review:** The ROE must conduct a comprehensive compliance review every five years. This is L-P's year. There is an onsite visit scheduled for April 1. Most of the work is the time to upload requested documents to the ROE's website. Mrs. Jennifer Riva is overseeing this part, with support from other members of the staff. We can expect a report by the end of April.
8. **Public Hearing – Paving Projects:** I missed the deadline to submit a public hearing notice to the paper. As a result, a special meeting is scheduled on 1/23 at 12:30 pm. Our parking lot renovations and track surface replacement projects require a public hearing. I cannot submit the HLS amendments to the ROE without including the hearing date. Unfortunately, this also requires a second special meeting scheduled next week to approve a resolution authorizing the sale of the HLS bonds. We cannot approve this resolution until all amendment requests have been submitted to ISBE from the ROE. Mr. Vezzetti is confident he can sell the bonds before the end of February.
9. **School Maintenance Grant Update:** I am pleased to share that ISBE approved our school maintenance grant application. This is a \$50,000 matching grant. We're applying it toward the Main Building security light project.
10. **Cybersecurity Update:** I informed our staff and community about the PowerSchool data breach. We are still awaiting more concrete information from PowerSchool on what data was compromised.
11. **Vision 2030 Resolution:** My report includes an executive summary of Vision 2030. I am requesting the Board adopt the resolution endorsing the plan and urging our legislators to do their part in passing legislation supporting the action items.
12. **Brownfield Environmental Annual Air Quality Assessment:** On January 9, 2025, Brownfield Environmental performed our annual air quality assessment in all district buildings. There were no critical findings requiring mitigation. Our humidity levels were the only areas that needed adjustment—which is a simple correction. The results of the assessment are included in my report.
13. **FOIA Requests:** We received the following FOIA requests in the past month.

Requestor	Date	Request	District Action
Amy Taylor	January 10, 2025	"...All documentation from 10-21 [to] present of William Taylor coming in and making any statements verbal or writing about someone keeps trying to fight him. Dates and times what was done. All documentation of all calls made to his mom (Amy Taylor) or from his mom. Dates, time what was said. Any witness statements."	Complied with the request.

PRINCIPAL

Mrs. Ingrid Cushing, reported in the following topics:

- We have had a great start to our 2nd semester. Our teachers, counselors, and administrators worked diligently to get all the finals completed for students who were affected by various reasons for absences prior to the break.
- We conducted our Institute Day on Monday, January 6th. During our faculty meeting we conducted a critical analysis of the ECRA data so that teacher voice would be heard on possible strategies to improve our data. During our staff meeting, we were provided a training on ALICE procedures from Ms. Kate Lance. The remainder of day was a time for faculty to work in their classrooms so they could prepare for 2nd semester. Teachers were also allowed to have time for division and Collaborative Team Time meetings.
- As we reflect on our grade data from the 1st semester, I am very pleased to report that we had an incredibly successful semester. Of the 7,051 course grades that were awarded, 95.08% were passing grades. This is the highest percentage rate of passing courses that we have had in the past nine years of collecting 1st semester data.
- It is with great excitement that I share that the courses have been selected for our first pathway in our Ag Program! The courses have been selected with the guidance of our FCAE Program Advisor, Jenny Wold, our Ag Curriculum Design team, which included LP staff, students, parents, and community members, and information from student interest surveys. Through these various sources, we have arrived at the conclusion that the Animal Systems pathway would be the most interesting and beneficial to our students. (Please see supporting document for course descriptions.)
- As we enter the Spring Semester, we will begin preparations for assessments. We are administering our STAR 360 Winter Benchmark during the week of January 20th to look for student growth when compared to the Fall Benchmark. The benchmarking will be administered to students in grades 9-11 in the content areas of reading and math. We will be completing our SEL Benchmarking on January 31th. The ACCESS testing, which is the mandated State testing for EL students, will also be administered on January 28th and 30th. Our EL population is growing each year, so we have been continuing to seek ways to ensure that we are administering this test in the most efficient manner possible.
- We will be hosting our 8th Grade Catholic Schools Shadow Day on Thursday, January 23rd. We are always happy to host this annual event.
- Our student registration process is beginning. The automatic enrollment letters were mailed home to families. Our counselors will be meeting with our current students to make class selections in the upcoming weeks and will be reaching out to our incoming 8th grade families to select courses

during the first week of February. It is always a time of anticipation to see what interests the students and what classes they will choose.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Mr. Steve Hanson, provided a report on the following topics:

1. **Item 1:** Winter Sports

- a. Boys' Bowling team qualified for the Alton Sectional by placing 3rd as a team at the Minooka Regional on 1/18. The boys will bowl on 1/25 in Alton, IL.
- b. The Girls Bowling team has remained undefeated in I8 conference play this year. They continue to impress with their scores and are preparing for a postseason run.
- c. The Boys' Wrestling team will compete in the regional tournament on 2/8. Any advancing individuals will advance to the Washington Sectional. Our regional host is still to be determined at this time.
- d. The Girls' Wrestling team will compete on 1/31 and 2/1 at the Metamora Regional. Any individuals advancing will advance to the Geneseo Sectional on 2/14 and 2/15.
- e. The Boys' Swim Coop will be hosting the LP Pentathlon on 1/25 at the LP Pool.

2. **Item 2:**—Activities Update

- a. Scholastic Bowl has an overall record of 20-7. At the LP Invite, LP finished second overall and Sophia Woods made the all-tournament team.
- b. The Superfan Leaders recognized our Winter Athletics and Activities participants at our Huddle on Friday, January 17th. The Junior Class won the class competitions, and the teachers and cheerleaders participated in an entertaining dance routine.

3. **Item 3:** Spring Sports

- a. Track & field can begin on Monday, January 20th, for the indoor season.
- b. The first day of practice for all other spring sports is Monday, March 3rd.

ACC DIRECTOR

Dr. Shane Lange, reported on the following topics:

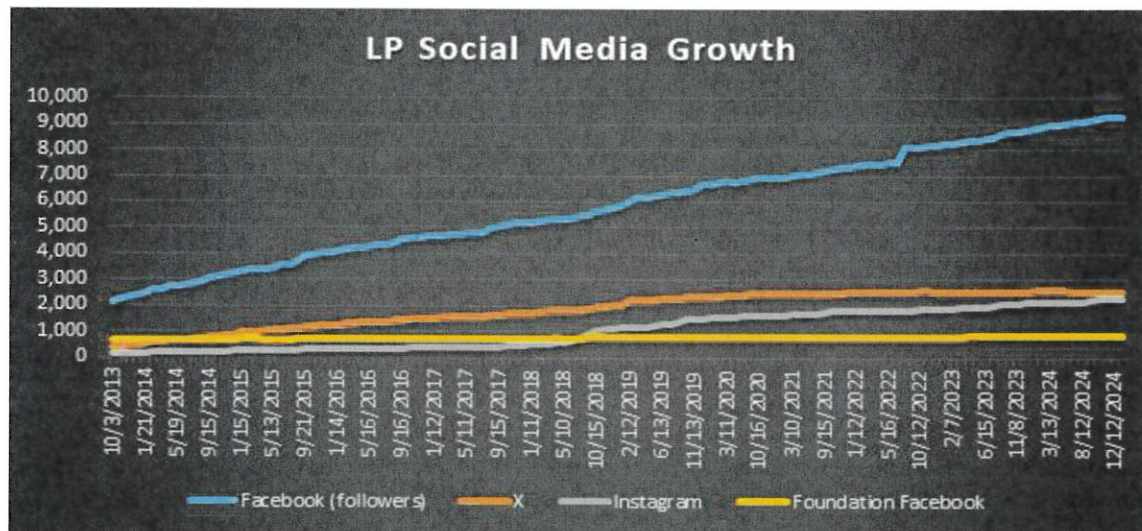
- We received notice that we were awarded the annual School Maintenance Project grant. As stated in December, the funds will be used to help support funding needs for repairs and improvements to the restrooms in the Dolan building.
- Gracelyn Quesse was hired this month as the Pathway Coordinator for SRAVTE. She will be assisting with the Pathway Endorsement process, and her position is grant funded. With her help, we have begun the application process for the Educational Pathway Endorsement. We are currently utilizing grant funds to establish Ed Rising student chapters at the career center and a few other schools. Students interested in the Education Pathway will also have an opportunity to visit ISU later in the semester.
- The Early Childhood students made their way to the playground for the first time on Friday the 17th. The weather was just warm enough for them to try out the space. The student teachers and preschoolers were both very excited for the opportunity.
- The CNA students began their clinical experiences on January 10th at OSF Hospital and Liberty Village. They will spend the rest of their semester rotating between the two locations using the skills they have learned, and learning new skills.



DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Matt Baker, reported on the following topics:

- We assisted in planning of the Board Coffee Talk in Utica.
- We recently conducted the second semester mass communication system test to ensure we have accurate contact information for families as winter weather approaches.
- We're staying busy creating new graphics for the video scoreboard for Huddles, games, and other activities.
- The L-P Foundation is preparing for their annual Trivia Night Fundraiser on April 5.



NEW BUSINESS

Approval to hire the IASB Executive Search firm to assist the Board of Education in replacing Dr. Steven Wroblewski upon his retirement on June 30, 2026, for a fee not to exceed \$10,000.00

MOTION by Mr. Ferrari, seconded by Pescetto, to approve to hire the IASB Executive Search firm to assist the Board of Education in replacing Dr. Steven Wroblewski upon his retirement on June 30, 2026, for a fee not to exceed \$10,000.00, as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Ferrari, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Merboth, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Alcorn, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval of Resolution 2025-4 to authorize the superintendent to prepare the FY26 district budget
MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Taliani, approve resolution 2025-4 to authorize the superintendent to prepare the FY26 district budget, as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Taliani, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Ferrari, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval of Resolution 2025-5 to abate \$235,000 in the Working Cash (Fund 70) to the Operations & Maintenance Fund (Fund 20)
MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Dr. Lynch, approve to abate \$235,000 in the Working Cash (Fund 70) to the Operations & Maintenance Fund (Fund 20), as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Ferrari, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0**

Approval of Resolution 2025-6 endorsing Vision 2030
MOTION by Mr. Pescetto seconded by Dr. Lynch, approve Resolution 2025-6 endorsing Vision 2030, as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Pescetto, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Ferrari, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Alcorn, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval to hire John's Service and Sale, LLC to install the following equipment to repair the produce and meat coolers in the kitchen (total: \$42,868.00):
MOTION by Mrs. Taliani, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn, to approve to hire John's Service and Sale, LLC to install the following equipment to repair the produce and meat coolers in the kitchen (total: \$42,868.00) as presented:

- a. New evaporator coil and condensing unit on the produce walk-in cooler - \$20,559.00
- b. New evaporator coil and condensing unit on the meat cooler - \$22,309.00

Voting Aye: Mrs. Taliani, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Ferrari, Mr. Merboth, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval to hire H2I Group via the Sourcewell Purchasing Cooperative to replace the four basketball backstops in Sellett Gym - \$66,423.00
MOTION by Mr. Pescetto, seconded by Mr. Ferrari, to approve to hire H2I Group via the Sourcewell Purchasing Cooperative to replace the four basketball backstops in Sellett Gym - \$66,423.00, as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Pescetto, Mr. Ferrari, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Merboth, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Alcorn, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval to hire Gatza Electric to install the electrical equipment powering the four new basketball stops in Sellett Gym - \$14,650.00
MOTION by Mr. Ferrari, seconded by Mr. Merboth, to hire Gatza Electric to install the electrical equipment powering the four new basketball stops in Sellett Gym - \$14,650.00, as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Ferrari, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Taliani, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval to hire Tieman Builders Inc. to complete Phase 1 of the Concession Space Remodel Project (Sip-n-Savor) for \$19,000 (Base Bid: \$15,800.00 and Alternate #1: \$3,200.00)
MOTION by Mrs. Taliani, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn, to hire Tieman Builders Inc. to complete Phase 1 of the Concession Space Remodel Project (Sip-n-Savor) for \$19,000 (Base Bid: \$15,800.00 and Alternate #1: \$3,200.00), as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Taliani, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Ferrari, Mr. Merboth, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval to increase the paraprofessional substitute teacher rate from \$16.50 to the following:

MOTION by Mrs. Taliani, seconded by Mr. Pescetto, to increase the paraprofessional substitute teacher rate from \$16.50 to the following, as presented.

- a. 2024-2025: \$17.00
- b. 2025-2026: \$17.25
- c. 2026-2027: \$17.50

Voting Aye: Mrs. Taliani, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Ferrari, Mr. Merboth, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval of the 2024 Annual Disclosure Report

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Dr. Lynch, to approve of the 2024 Annual Disclosure Report, as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Ferrari, Mrs. Taliani, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval to let bids for the Health Occupation Classroom Renovation

MOTION by Mrs. Taliani, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn, to approve to let bids for the Health Occupation Classroom Renovation, as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Taliani, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Ferrari, Mr. Merboth, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval of the resolution authorizing the superintendent to sell surplus equipment (Eighteen (18) sewing machines and five (5) mixing machines)

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Merboth, to approve the resolution authorizing the superintendent to sell surplus equipment (Eighteen (18) sewing machines and five (5) mixing machines), as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Ferrari, Mrs. Taliani, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

2025-2026 District Calendar – 1st Reading

Non-Action Item

Approval of the retirements with regret:

MOTION by Mr. Ferrari, seconded by Dr. Lynch, to approve of the following retirements with regret as presented:

- a. Mrs. Michele Honecker-Ummel, English Teacher, effective the conclusion of the 2029-2030 school year

Voting Aye: Mr. Ferrari, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Taliani, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval of the following appointments

MOTION by Mr. Pescetto, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn, to approve of the following appointments as presented:

- a. Ms. Sydnee Wright, Volunteer School Musical Assistant
- b. Mr. Matthew Guenther, Volunteer Assistant Boy's Tennis Coach
- c. Mr. Nathan Hachenberger, Permanent Substitute Teacher (replaces Ms. Paige Scoma)

Voting Aye: Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Ferrari, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Merboth, Dr. Lynch, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval of an overnight stay on January 24, 2025, for the Boys' Bowling team in Alton, Illinois. The team qualified for the IHSA Sectional Tournament.

MOTION by Mr. Ferrari, seconded by Mr. Pescetto, to approve of an overnight stay on January 24, 2025, for the Boys' Bowling team in Alton, Illinois. The team qualified for the IHSA Sectional Tournament, as presented.

Voting Aye: Mr. Ferrari, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Merboth, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Alcorn, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

MOTION TO MOVE TO EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn, to move to executive/closed session for purpose of: a) Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Minutes Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of minutes, b) Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee, c) Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees, d) Purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired, and e) Imminent/Pending Litigation, with open session and possible action items to follow.. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Ferrari, Mrs. Taliani, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0 Time 7:35p.m.**

MOTION TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION by Dr. Lynch, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn, to return to open session. Voting Aye Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Ferrari, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0. Time 8:30p.m.**

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mr. Greg Sarver, President, Mrs. Sally Taliani, Vice President, Mr. Gary Ferrari, Mr. Matt Merboth, Dr. Rose Marie Lynch, Mrs. Carol Alcorn, and Mr. Scott Pescetto

ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Steven Wroblewski, Superintendent, Attorney Walt Zukowski, and Mrs. Jennifer Riva

NEW BUSINESS

Approval and retain the Executive Closed Session minutes for December 18, 2024, Regular Meeting

MOTION by Mr. Ferrari, seconded by Mr. Pescetto, to approve to review and retain the Executive/Closed Minutes of December 18, 2024, Regular Meeting, as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Ferrari, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Merboth, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Alcorn, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval of the termination of Mr. Mike Pittman, Hallway Security, effective January 22, 2025

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mr. Pescetto, to approve the termination of Mr. Mike Pittman, Hallway Security, effective January 22, 2025, as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mr. Pescetto, Mr. Ferrari, Mrs. Taliani, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Alcorn, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Ratified the 2025-2027 LaSalle-Peru Support Staff Union Collective Bargaining Agreement

MOTION by Mrs. Taliani, seconded by Mr. Merboth, to ratify the 2025-2027 LaSalle-Peru Support Staff Union Collective Bargaining Agreement, as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Ferrari, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

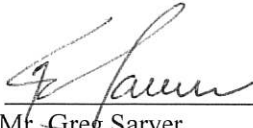
Approval of the following appointments:

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mr. Ferrari, to approve of the following appointments, as presented:

- a. Mr. JJ Raffelson, Head Football Coach, effective for the 2025-2026 school year (replaces Mr. Jose Medina)
- b. Mr. JJ Raffelson, Permanent Substitute Teacher, effective for the 2025-2026 school year (new position)

Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mr. Ferrari, Mrs. Taliani, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn, to adjourn. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Ferrari, Mrs. Taliani, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None.
The motion carried 7-0. Time: 8:32p.m.



Mr. Greg Sarver
President

Mrs. Jennifer Riva
Board Secretary