

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
CONSOLIDATED HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 125, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD MONDAY,
MAY 19, 2025, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION CENTER,
LINCOLNSHIRE, ILLINOIS

President Neault called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. On roll call, Ms. Neault, Mr. Frost, Ms. Ben-Yoseph, Ms. Cao, Mr. Gorson, My Tyer, and Mr. Agrawal responded. Also in attendance were Superintendent Twadell, Ms. Custable, Mr. Carney, Mr. Gobble, and Recording Secretary Ms. Varghese, along with 100+ visitors.

ROLL CALL

There were no visitor statements.

VISITOR'S STATEMENTS

Rajan Sukhatme, Student Council School Board Representative, presented his report.

**STUDENT ACTIVITIES
REPORT**

Student Representative to the Board of Education - Rajan Sukhatme

AMBASSADOR AWARDS

Academic Challenge for Engineering and Science State Champions - Timothy Bui, Vedansh Wadhwani, Eric Zhang, Coach Hannah Alperstein, Coach Deborah Wiersema

Congressional & Public Forum Debate State Champions - Garv Bakshe, Coach Elisa Galvan, Coach Kaitlyn Remian, Coach Richard (Chip) Tompson

Future Business Leaders of America State Champions (FBLA) - Divya Ayyappaneni, Kiinjal Bhargava, Luvena Bhutiani, Harshitha Ezhilarasan, Natalee Freeman, Jonathan He, Mahathi Jegath, Monit Karmakar, Navaan Kistanna, Vivaan Kottapalli, Pradnya Lande, Akshay Maram, Sreeja Muthukannan, Daniel Pryor, Sahana Raja, Aditi Sahoo, Aaryan Sawant, Vaishnavi Shinde, Khushi Thakkar, Dhriti Udayagiri, Sai Vemula, Richard Xu, Jacob Zerull, Coach Ryan Carlson, Coach Lai Jin, Coach Jennifer McBride

Family Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) - Enerel Amartuvshin, Kylie Collins, Aria Grossenbach, Ishani Gupta, Akshata Gupta, Shravani Khakkar, Anvi Khosla, Sophia Kusztelak, Marlee Lewis, Praneetha Meraga, Samviti Mohanty, Sonakshi Singh, Maya Vives, Coach Morgan Bykoff, Coach Malinda Pum

Future Health Professionals of America State Champions (HOSA)
- Aarush Bhagwat, Arnav Chaphalkar, Anish Deorukhkar,

Anushkka Dhawan, Abithu Dodda, Manasa Gogula, Shriyadita Goswami, Ava Haghnaji, Olivia Johnson, Laiba Kashif, Jessica Liu, Vivian Liu, Sage Manning, Kashvi Nagpal, Sofia Pashyan, Luke So, Ramya Sree Payaniappa, Rachel Varghese, Coach Jill Lipman, Coach Ross Purchatzke

Latin Club State Champions - Jiya Balachandar, Chloe Collins, Saatvik Kailash, Vivek Mydam, Viv Sieja, Irina Vlasova, Coach Chris Mural

Science Olympiad State Champions - Alexander Gou, Maya Hulyalkar, Kenneth Lin, Rishi Mohan, Nikhilan Rathina Kumar, Vivian Tang, Janardhan Vasireddy, Coach Ryan Korah, Coach Kim Lubecke, Coach Anne Maine

Those Who Excel Recipients - Ryan Graham, Guadalupe Guillen, Simmia Pearson, and the Junior Accelerated English Team: Alexa Leyba, Jessica Stavros, Robert Zagorski

**THOSE WHO EXCEL
AWARD**

Student Success Story - Emily Kingan, Erik Rodriguez Patino, Richard Schirmer

**STUDENT SUCCESS
STORY**

The Science Division (Physics) will present the unique Social Emotional Learning (SEL) experiences they provide students in their courses.

**CURRICULUM TEAM
PRESENTATION**

Ms. Cao moved, seconded by Mr. Frost, that the Board of Education approve the Letters of Intent for the 2026-2027 school year, as presented. On roll call, Mr. Frost, Ms. Ben-Yoseph, Ms. Cao, Mr. Gorson, Mr. Tyer, Mr. Agrawal, and Ms. Neault. Then, in the Fall of 2025, finalized curriculum changes for the 2026-27 school year will be determined. (8:45 p.m.)

**APPROVAL OF 2026-2027
CURRICULUM LETTERS
OF INTENT**

The Board of Education was presented with a first reading of the 2025 Summer Curriculum Projects and Budget.

**APPROVAL OF SUMMER
CURRICULUM PROJECTS
AND BUDGET (FIRST
READING)**

The Board of Education was presented with a first reading of the final 2024-2025 School Calendar.

**APPROVAL OF FINAL
2024-2025 SCHOOL
CALENDAR (FIRST
READING)**

The Board of Education was presented with the graduate program approvals as of May 2025.

**GRADUATE PROGRAM
APPROVALS**

Ms. Ben-Yoseph moved, seconded by Ms. Cao, that the Board of Education award the music instrument bids to Quinlan & Fabish at a cost not to exceed \$ 2,800.58, Brook Mays Music at a cost not to exceed \$6,799.92, Solo Classic at a cost not to exceed \$1,788.00, Music & Arts at a cost not to exceed \$10,120.83, Washington Music at a cost not to exceed \$6,703.00, and Sweetwater Sound at a cost not to exceed \$17,277.87 for a total cost not to exceed \$45,490.20. On roll call, Ms. Ben-Yoseph, Ms. Cao, Mr. Gorson, Mr. Tyer, Ms. Agrawal, Ms. Neault, and Mr. Frost. (8:48 p.m.)

**AWARD OF MUSIC
INSTRUMENTS BID**

The Hulse Juvenile Justice Center is located within the boundaries of Adlai E. Stevenson High School District 125. While residing at the Depke Center, students are considered residents of our District for the duration of their detention. In 1997, an agreement was established in which the District would provide funding for these students, and the Regional Superintendent of Schools would deliver educational services. Funding is provided through the Illinois School Code Section 18-3 — the Orphanage Tuition Program — and has flowed through Stevenson and Lincolnshire-Prairie View School District 103. This arrangement, in place for over 15 years, has successfully served all parties: Stevenson, District 103, the Regional Superintendent, and the students at Depke. All funding comes from the State via the Orphanage Tuition Program; no local tax dollars are used to support educational services at the Depke Center.

**APPROVAL OF HULSE
DETENTION CENTER
MOU (FIRST READING)**

Annually, the Lake County Board requires each taxing District to provide an indemnification Agreement. The Indemnification Agreement protects the County from legal liability arising out of the withholding of a permit without proof of payment for developer donations, in which the District and Developer have contractually agreed upon.

**APPROVAL OF 2025
COUNTY
INDEMNIFICATION
AGREEMENT (FIRST
READING)**

In May, the Board of Education will meet with Eric, Wendy, and Troy to review the performance of the Administrative Team. In June, the Board will be asked to finalize adjustments to both salary pools.

**APPROVAL OF 2025-2026
ADMINISTRATIVE AND
NON-UNION SALARY
POOLS (FIRST READING)**

In April, we received the annual spreadsheet with our tax extension information. After applying the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (PTELL) formula, the District is only able to collect \$125,562,024.62. In addition, we were able to recapture 850,745.08 as a result of tax objections and appeals.

**TAX YEAR 2024
FINALIZED TAX
EXTENSION
(INFORMATIONAL)**

The Board of Education was presented with the tentative FY26 budget, including details for public display and the scheduling of the public hearing.

**APPROVAL OF FY26
BUDGET
(INFORMATIONAL)**

The Board of Education was presented with the amended FY25 budget, including details for public display and the scheduling of the public hearing.

**APPROVAL OF
AMENDED FY25 BUDGET
(INFORMATIONAL)**

The District uses the services of Scott Ginsburg from Robbins Schwartz to represent the District in the County's Tax Appeal Process. The attached file summarizes Scott's work for the tax year 2024. Please note that the District only gets involved in appeals over \$100,000 for a single year or over the course of multiple years. Because of Scott's work, the remaining taxpayers in our community would have paid approximately \$350,000 in additional tax dollars.

**SUMMARY OF BOARD OF
REVIEW DECISIONS
(INFORMATIONAL)**

The Board of Education was presented with three requests under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and the status of the District's response.

FOIA REQUESTS

Mr. Frost moved, seconded by Ms. Cao, that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda Items, as presented. On roll call, Ms. Neault, Ms. Cao, Mr. Gorson, Mr. Agrawal, Mr. Tyer, Ms. Ben-Yoseph, and Mr. Frost voted aye. The motion carried unanimously.
(9:05 p.m.)

**CONSENT AGENDA
ITEMS**

1. Approve the Finance and Regular Meeting minutes of April 21, 2025.
2. Approval of Human Resources Report
3. Approval of Disbursements, Payrolls & Financial Statements, April 2025 (including travel-related expenses of members of the Board of Education, and of employees).

Ms. Ben-Yoseph moved, seconded by Ms. Cao, that the meeting be adjourned. By voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.
(9:09 p.m.)

ADJOURNMENT

SECRETARY

PRESIDENT