

**MINUTES
LASALLE-PERU TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #120
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2025, 4:15 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Merboth, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:14 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mrs. Sally Taliani, Interim Committee Chair and Mrs. Carol Alcorn

ABSENT: None

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. Steven Wroblewski, Superintendent and Mrs. Jennifer Does, Business Manager, and Jennifer Riva, Board Secretary

REVIEW/APPROVE THE MEETING MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 22, 2025, COMMITTEE MEETINGS

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mrs. Taliani, to accept to recommend the Board of Education approve the meeting minutes from April 22, 2025, as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn and Mrs. Taliani Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried.**

MONTHLY FINANCIALS

Dr. Wroblewski reported we are 88.3% through the fiscal year. Revenue (88.41%) and Expenditures (87.78%). HLS fund is at 1068.9% due to the \$7.5 million deposit from the recent bond sale. This figure will be adjusted at the end of June following the Board of Education's approval of the amended budget.

Dr. Wroblewski noted Special education transportation is at 37% as the state's only made a partial payment. He also reported that the Building Fund appears higher due to additional concrete work, and the Working Cash Fund includes the transfer which will be reconciled once the budget is amended. Mrs. Does reviewed the Cash and Investments as of April 31, 2025, Cash Flow Statement, ACH Transactions and Investment Accounts reflect current business. Nothing out of the ordinary.

TAX YEAR 2024 EXTENSION FOT SCHOOL YEAR 2025-2026

Dr. Wroblewski reviewed the tax year 2024 final levy. In recent years, we projected a 9.7% increase, but the actual levy came in at just 3.3%, significantly below expectations, limiting the district's ability to recover the projected funds. This year, we anticipated a 6% increase, and the actual figure was less than 1% of that projection. After accounting for the first year of HLS bonds and \$90,000 in debt service, we will see a .03 cent decrease in the tax rate and \$951,967 in new revenue.

FY 2025 BUDGET AMENDMENT RECOMMENDATION

Dr. Wroblewski and Mrs. Does presented the recommended budget adjustments.

ACCEPT TO RECOMMEND THE BOARD OF EDUCATION APPROVE THE AMENDED FY 2025 BUDGET RECOMMENDATION AS PRESENTED

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mrs. Taliani, to approve the FY Budget Amendment Recommendations, as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn and Mrs. Taliani Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried.**

PRAIRIE STATE INSURANCE COOPERATIVE (PSIC) RENEWAL RATES FOR 2025-2026

Dr. Wroblewski reported a 30% increase in insurance premiums for 2025-2026.

Property/Casualty: 25% and Workers' Compensation: 36%

BID RECOMMENDATIONS

Pizza, Bread and Milk: Dr. Wroblewski shared the tabulation for the Pizza, Bread, and Milk contracts. Pizza Hut was the lowest bidder. Alpha Baking and Prairie Farms were the sole bidders for Bread and Milk.

Exterior Lighting, Paving, and Site Improvements, May 14, 2025, at 3:00 p.m.: Planned projects include the installation of exterior lighting at the Main Building entrances, new light poles along 5th Street near the stadium, and additional lighting from Sellet Gym out to the track. Paving work will cover all parking lots. The East Gym parking lot and the Howard Fellows Stadium lot will be completely rebuilt. Additional work includes seal coating and striping throughout. Site improvements will feature Phase II of the Campus Beautification Project, focused on Chartres Street between the Main Building and the East Gym. All projects are scheduled for completion by the end of summer.

Concession Space Remodel, May 14, 2025, at 3:30 p.m.: Project includes Phase II of the Sip and Savor.

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mrs. Taliani, to recommend the Board award the following contracts as presented:

- a. Pizza: Pizza Hut, Peru, IL
- b. Bread: Alpha Baking Company, Inc., Chicago, IL
- c. Milk: Prairie Farms, Des Plaines, IL

Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn and Mrs. Taliani Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried**

BID RELEASE REQUEST FOR PLANNED PROJECTS:

Track Replacement: Dr. Wroblewski explained that this project is included in the \$7.5 million and requested approval to solicit bids

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mrs. Taliani, to accept to recommend the Board of Education approve to let bids for the Track Replacement Project, as presented.

Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn and Mrs. Taliani Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried**

OTHER

Dr. Wroblewski recommended the approval to submit building permit applications for the following summer 2025 projects:

- a. Main Roof and Masonry
- b. Main Lighting, Paving, and Sitework
- c. Sip-N-Savor Phase II
- d. East Gym/ACC Paving and Roof Repairs
- e. Dolan Health Occupations Suite Renovation

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mrs. Taliani, to accept to recommend the Board of Education approve to submit building permit applications for the summer 2025 projects, as presented.

Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn and Mrs. Taliani Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried**

Dr. Wroblewski shared the Gantt chart for the Health Occupations Remodel, outlining the project timeline through the scheduled completion date of August 1st.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mrs. Taliani, to adjourn. Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Taliani Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried. Time 4:49 p.m.**



Mrs. Sally Taliani
Interim Committee Chair



Mrs. Jennifer Riva
Board Secretary