

**MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
LASALLE-PERU TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 120
SEPTEMBER 24, 2025, 6:00 PM**

PUBLIC HEARING

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

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ABSENT: Mrs. Sally Taliani, Vice President, Mr. Gary Ferrari

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Steven R. Wroblewski, Superintendent, Mrs. Ingrid Cushing, Principal, Ms. Kate Lance, Associate Principal for Teaching and Learning, Dr. Shane Lange, ACC Director, 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.

L-P FY 2026 BUDGET

Mr. Sarver invited the attending public and Board members to share any comments or questions. No comments or questions were voiced.

ACC FY 2026 BUDGET

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ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Merboth, to adjourn the Public Meeting at 6:01p.m. Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, and Mr. Sarver, Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0. Time 6:01 p.m.**

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM AUGUST 20, 2025, REGULAR MEETING

MOTION by Mr. Pescetto, seconded by Ms. Krzyaniak, to approve August 20, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Merboth, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

RECOGNITION AND PUBLIC COMMENT

Division Spotlight Mrs. Gladys Ramey, Fine Arts/World Languages Division, presented on the Illinois State Seal of Biliteracy, which is an honor awarded to high school students who demonstrate high proficiency in English and at least one additional language through standardized assessments such as the ACT, ACCESS, AP exams, AAPPL, or other cultural assessments. The recognition is marked by an official seal on a student's high school diploma and transcript. She also highlighted a significant increase in the number of L-P students earning the Seal of Biliteracy in 2024–2025.

Public Comment: Mr. Sarver noted that no one had signed up for public comment.

FINANCE

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Merboth, to approve the L-P Bills as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The Motion carried 5-0.**

MOTION by Mr. Pescetto, seconded by Mrs. Krzyaniak, to approve the ACC Bills as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Merboth, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The Motion carried 5-0.**

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn, to approve the Payroll as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The Motion carried 5-0.**

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mr. Pescetto, 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, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The Motion carried 5-0.**

CORRESPONDENCE

- **TIF REIMBURSEMENTS:**

Village of North Utica – 2024 P/B 2025 TF1 2 nd REIM DIS	\$65,297.12
2024 P/B 2025 TF2 2 nd REIM DIS	\$14,447.44
City of Oglesby – 1 st & 2 nd Installment	\$19,655.08
TOTAL REIMBURSEMENTS:	\$99,399.64

- Thank you letter from Mrs. Cheryl DePaepe for the Board of Education's donation to the L-P Educational Foundation in memory of Mr. Ken Mathew and Mr. Henry Joseph Prosinski (Father-in-law of Mr. Jason Miller and Father-in-law of Mrs. Kathy Prosinski)
- Dr. Wroblewski added that the L-P Educational Foundation was presented with a donation in memory of L-P alumnus Mrs. Linda Hildabrant.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS/DISCUSSION

Building and Grounds Committee: Dr. Wroblewski provided the report from the Building and Grounds meeting held on Monday, September 8, 2025, reporting on the following: review and approval of the minutes from the August 14, 2025, committee meeting, current project updates including the Sip-N-Savor, Health Occupations remodel, Charles Street Courtyard, and Roofing Repair/Replacement and Masonry Restoration, Ag Building, Track Resurfacing, Dance Studio flooring, and Howard Fellows Stadium northeast light replacement project in Summer 2026.

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Policy Committee: Mrs. Alcorn, Committee Chair, provided the Policy report from the meeting held on Thursday, September 11, 2025, reporting on the following: review and approval of the minutes from the August 14, 2025, committee meeting, the Press Policy Issue 119 Update Memo for June 2025 (2nd reading) recommendation, Random Drug Testing Policy update recommendation and the Ad Hoc Artificial Intelligence committee update.

Finance Committee: Mr. Merboth, Committee Chair, provided the Finance report from the meeting held on Wednesday, September 17, 2025, reporting on the following: review and approval of the minutes from the August 14, 2025, committee meeting, recommendation of the Series 2025-2026 Debt Certificate-General Obligation Bonds proposal by Mr. John Vezetti with Bernardi Securities to fund the Ag building, Ag building update, FY 2026 tentative budget final review and recommendation, School Maintenance Grant application, Track Project change order, OSF random drug testing coast and proposal recommendation, and an update on the federal government Title I funding reduction of 30% for next year, which represents 0.02% of the district's overall budget. Mrs. Does presented the FY 2026 budget, projecting a surplus of \$46,000.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Steven Wroblewski, reported on the following topics:

FY2026 L-P & ACC Budgets: My office is presenting the final FY 26 budgets for L-P and ACC at the September Board meeting. The tentative ACC budget presented last month remains unchanged, but the L-P budget has several revisions. Since the tentative budget presentation last month, we received our final CPPRT revenue projections. We had expected a 20% reduction from FY 25; however, we can now expect to receive approximately \$40,000 more than we did last year. The overall FY26 budget position is a \$46,942 surplus, with an expected surplus of \$269,509 in the operating funds. Of particular note, however, is the \$344,037 Ed Fund deficit. We expect this deficit to be reduced significantly or eliminated in next year's budget since it was created when we deposited Mr. Kowalski's \$500,000 donation in the Ed Fund last year and not the Capital Projects Fund. We did not start expending those funds in earnest until this current fiscal year. Moving forward, Mr. Kowalski's donations are being deposited into Capital Projects, which does not impact any of our operating funds.

FY 2025 Preliminary Audit Results: Mr. Bill Newkirk and his team completed the FY 25 audit. Their team discovered three findings – two from mistyped information (Title I and National School Lunch Program) and one from an error in determining student eligibility for free lunch status. Our ISBE Financial Profile Score will drop from Recognition, the highest rating, to Review, the second-highest rating. The sale of our \$7M bonds increased our debt, thus changing that component of the calculation. Kudos to Mrs. Does, Ms. Snell, Mrs. Bergagna, Mrs. Franklin, and Mrs. Riva for all their good work handling all the day-to-day operations. Mr. Newkirk will complete the audit report in time for our October meeting. He will be attending to present the results.

New Proficiency Benchmarks: ISBE has realigned the ACT's cut scores – finally bringing Illinois into alignment with the national recommendations. This means that we will see more students/schools attain proficiency. While some may argue that Illinois is lowering standards, the opposite is actually true. For too many years, Illinois has set too many students up for failure by using cut scores higher than those recommended by the ACT. I have attached a handout explaining the new proficiency benchmarks.

ROE Annual Health Life Safety Inspection: On September 24, 2025, ROE officials will conduct the annual health/life safety inspection. We expect his inspection report to arrive on time for the October board meeting.

FOIA Requests: We received the following FOIA requests this past month and responded to each.

Requestor	Date	Request	District Action
Janie Jordan janie@dataresearchpartners.com Data Research Partners LLC	9/17/25	I am requesting the following records under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140, preferably in electronic format:	We approved the request in the statutory timeframe.

		• "...a copy of a listing of all LaSalle-Peru Township High School District 120's employees' first and last names, e-mail address, title/position, and primary campus/department location..."	
Owen Wang IL Valley Times	9/10/25	Copies of the contracts for all school principals in the district who will start the upcoming school year. Copies of all active teacher contracts/collective bargaining agreements.	We approved the request in the statutory timeframe.
Owen Wang IL Valley Times	9/8/25	I am requesting the following records under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140, preferably in electronic format: • "Names of all graduates from your middle schools for the completed school year with the following fields: Name Destination High School.."	We denied the request noting that LaSalle-Peru Township High School does not have any middle schools.
Julie L. Ajster Ajster Law Office	9/8/25	I am requesting the following records under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140, preferably in electronic format: "Copies of the current collective bargaining agreements (union contracts) for the teachers and custodians."	We approved the request in the statutory timeframe.
Justin Wenig justin@gostarjump.com	9/2/25	A report (such as a check register, expenditure report, or purchase order history) reflecting all transactions from January 1, 2022 to present date, including but not limited to: • Purchase date • Vendor name • Description of goods/services purchased • Line item quantity • Line item price/amount	We approved the request in the statutory timeframe.
Owen Wang IL Valley Times	8/29/24	I am requesting the following records under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140, preferably in electronic format:	We approved the request in the statutory timeframe.

		Copy of each schools calendar for the upcoming school year.	
Owen Wang IL Valley Times	9/2/25	I am requesting the following records under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140, preferably in electronic format: “...Names and honors of all students in your high schools recognized by the College Board as AP Scholars...”	he District denied the release of the names of students who have been recognized as AP Scholars. Student names linked with honors or recognition constitute “personally identifiable information” from student education records, which are protected from disclosure under the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. 1232g, and its implementing regulations, 34 C.F.R. Part 99. FERPA prohibits the disclosure of information from student education records without prior written consent of the parent/guardian or the eligible student.
AK Plumbing of IL, Inc. Attn: Mr. Adam Kuprewicz 9246 Chestnut Avenue Franklin Park, IL 60131	8/20/25	Access to and copies of all public records relating to construction and maintenance jobs awarded by the school district over the last five (5) years, including but not limited to: Bid solicitations (RPFs, ITBs, etc.) Bid submissions from contractors, including pricing Evaluation criteria and scoring documents Contracts awarded Change orders Payment records Contractor names and licensing details	We approved the request and responded within the statutory timeline, including a time extension.

PRINCIPAL

Mrs. Ingrid Cushing, reported on the following topics:

- **Pre-Huddle/Huddle:** As we move into our second year with the pre-huddle and huddle program, we used feedback from faculty and students to make it more beneficial. We are hosting a few less huddles and varying the time of day. At this point, we administered the MTSS behavioral screener and then we hosted a pep rally style huddle, which we used to update the students on our three SMART goals, introduce our fall sports teams and play a few fun games with students and faculty. We also celebrated students who hit their benchmark for the first ACT benchmarking window by giving away ten Homecoming dance tickets and t-shirts.
- **SMART Goals:** At the time of the report, we have 1,084 students enrolled at LPHS. The data reveals that of the 6,804 course grades, 94.62% have passing grades. 3,852 A's are being earned. At the other end of the grading scale, 366 grades are failing, which represents 202 students. As for the attendance goal, we currently have 52% of our students who have not missed any school days and 80% of our students are on track with their attendance. To monitor the ACT SMART goal, we are using our benchmarking process to monitor the progress. Overall, students did well on the initial test and I have challenged the students to improve their scores by two points at the next benchmark.
- **Instructional Leadership Team (ILT):** Our team formally met this month to discuss several topics. Some of the topics we discussed were a course modification proposal, our after-school tutoring program, use of our CTT time, and our pass-fail rates by grade levels as well as students of concern and how to best support them. Overall, our division chairs have reported a smooth start to the school year.
- **Assessment Information:** We will also be offering our 8th graders their placement test in a different format to increase participation. In the past few years our numbers have been steadily declining, so we are hosting the testing during the school day. Over the course of October 7th, 8th, and 9th, we will be transporting students from their middle schools to LPHS to take the PreACT 8/9 exam and feed them lunch. We will be offering the PSAT/NMSQT Exam to sophomores and juniors who are interested in the opportunity on October 15th.
- **Drills:** We have completed several of our annually required drills. We have completed two fire drills, our bus evacuation drill, and one code red drill. We still have a few more to complete to be in compliance, but all drills are scheduled.
- **Teacher Recognition:** I was asked by the ROE to nominate some teacher leaders to represent the district at a series of ROE Teacher Leader Roundtables. In September, English teachers Michele Honecker-Ummel and Alexandra West will represent us.
- **Student of the Month:** Our Student of the Month celebrations began for this school year on September 24th. The Renaissance group works diligently on this opportunity to honor our students. Many students were honored by our faculty.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Mr. Hanson provided a report on the following topics:

1. **ITEM 1—Athletic Update**
 - a. The Girls Volleyball team is off to an 18-1 start with a tournament championship at the Rock Falls Tournament and a 3rd place finish at the Springfield Lutheran Tournament.
 - b. The Cross-Country team won the Boys' division at the Plano Ross Greiter Invite on 9/19.
 - c. The Boys' Soccer team won the War on 34 tournament and are off to an 8-1 start on the season.
 - d. Our Girls' Swim Coop finished first at the Sterling Invite to open their season on 9/6.
 - e. **Special Events—**
 - i. We will be hosting the IHSA Volleyball Sectional on 11/4 and 11/6.
 - ii. The Girls' Pentathlon was held on 9/20 at the LP Pool.
 - iii. We will be hosting the LP Tennis Invite on 9/27.

2. ITEM 2—Activities Update

- a. Our back-to-school bash and spirit week was a hit. Students participated in themed dress up days throughout the week, received tropical sno and rock star t-shirts, and participated in various activities at the bash. Our week concluded with a pep rally.
- b. FFA – was selected as the sole representative in the state of Illinois in the FFA Chapter Connect pilot program. Out of more than 100 applicants, only 30 chapters nationwide were chosen for this unique opportunity. They will attend the 98th National FFA Convention & Expo in Indianapolis in October.
- c. Special Olympics – Peyton Watson, Quinn Sherman and Dylan Meyer took first place in their division at the regional bowling competition. They are sectional bound.
- d. Link Crew participated in a 'Find your freshmen' event on Friday, September 5th. Throughout the day, Link Leaders connected with their freshmen to celebrate successes, answer questions, extend an invitation to the football game, and create a secret handshake.
- e. The Marching Cavaliers won their first competition at Washington High School. They received 2nd place overall in Group F, with 1st place marks in Music Performance, Visual Performance Individual, and Music General Effect.
- f. Junior Board hosted try-outs for the Variety Show which will take place on Monday, September 29, in Sellett Gym. The show promises to be filled with a wide variety of talented student performances.

ACC DIRECTOR

Dr. Shane Lange, reported on the following topics:

Around 120 students from Welding, Electricity, CAD, Building Trades and Machining took a trip to visit the IBEW and Pipefitters Apprenticeship Training facilities on September 12th. Every year several students are accepted into trade apprenticeship programs. The apprenticeship programs and their processes are not widely known or understood. Their invitation to have the ACC visit is one great way that they partner with our schools, and it gives our students an advantage as they move toward graduation.

The Culinary program is beginning to offer services to customers in the Corner Café. They have also acquired an ice shaver to make snow cones for our visitors. Their first two catering events have been completed for the year.

The lower-level restrooms in the Dolan Building are fully operational and are available for use.

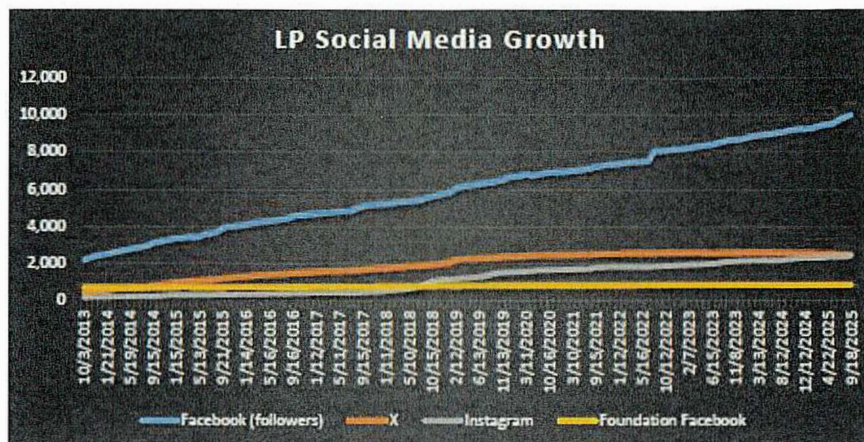
The Manufacturing Expo will take place on October 21st this year. We hope to take 50 students from the Career Center, and we have allocated an additional 40 seats for LP students as well. Students will tour a manufacturing facility in the morning, and in the afternoon, they will complete a few hands-on activities at IVCC.

Yesterday we met with SRAVTE region principals and counselors to discuss College and Career Pathway Endorsements, ISBE reporting, regional funding, and ACC programming. These collaborations engage our partners in regional CTE alignment and help us to better serve our students.

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Matt Baker, reported on the following topics:

- We produced the first Cavaletter of the school year (see attached). We intend to produce these 2-3 times per semester featuring updates on District SMART goals, student activities/performance, and upcoming events.
- We've been busy creating game day graphics for superfans, volleyball, football, and other fall sports, along with internal hallway graphics thanks in large part to the efforts of our Student Assistants.
- The L-P Foundation has begun meeting and is working on plans to improve alumni information collection.



NEW BUSINESS

Approval to adopt the LaSalle-Peru Township High School FY2026 Budget

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mr. Pescetto, to adopt the LaSalle-Peru Township High School FY2026 Budget as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

Approval to adopt the LaSalle-Peru Area Career Center FY2026 Budget

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Pescetto, to adopt the LaSalle-Peru Area Career Center FY2026 Budget as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Merboth, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

Approval to adopt the 2025-2026 ACC Joint Agreement

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Merboth, to adopt the 2025-2026 ACC Joint Agreement as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

Approval of HLS – Main Building Amendment #90 – Howard Fellows Stadium Light Replacement Project (\$390,000)

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Krzyaniak, to approve of HLS – Main Building Amendment #90 – Howard Fellows Stadium Light Replacement Project (\$390,000) as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 6-0.**

Approval to authorize the superintendent to apply for the ISBE FY 2026 School Maintenance Grant application in support of the Howard Fellows Stadium Light Replacement Project

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mrs. Krzyaniak, to authorize the superintendent to apply for the ISBE FY 2026 School Maintenance Grant application in support of the Howard Fellows Stadium Light Replacement Project as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Pescetto, Mr. Merboth, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

Approval of the Track Replacement Project Building Permit

MOTION by Mr. Pescetto, seconded by Mr. Merboth, to approve the Track Replacement Project Building Permit as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Pescetto, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

Approval of the Track Replacement Project Change Order #1 – Colored Exchange Zones (\$16,000)

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Krzyaniak, to approve the Track Replacement Project Change Order #1 – Colored Exchange Zones (\$16,000), as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

Approval to authorize the superintendent to let bids for the Agriculture Building

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mr. Pescetto, to authorize the superintendent to let bids for the Agriculture Building as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mrs. Alcorn, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

Approval of the FY 2025 Salary Compensation Report

MOTION by Mr. Sarver, seconded by Mr. Merboth, to approve the FY 2025 Salary Compensation Report as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Sarver, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, and Mr. Pescetto. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

Approval of the FY 2025 IMRF Compensation Report

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn, to approve the FY 2025 IMRF Compensation Report as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Pescetto, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

Approval of the PRESS Policy Issue 119 (June 2025) – 2nd Reading

MOTION by Mr. Pescetto, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn, to approve the PRESS Policy Issue 119 (June 2025) – 2nd Reading as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Merboth, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

Approval to modify the following policies to include saliva samples as a means to test students in the District's Random Drug Test Program

MOTION by Mr. Sarver, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn, to approval to modify the following policies to include saliva samples as a means to test students in the District's Random Drug Test Program as presented:

- a. Policy 7:240 – Conduct Code for Participants in Extracurricular Activities
- b. Policy 7:240 AP2 – Administrative Procedure
- c. Policy 7:240 AP2-E1 – Consent to Participate in Extracurricular Drug and Alcohol Testing Program

Voting Aye: Mr. Sarver, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, and Mr. Merboth. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

Approval of the following retirements with regret

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mr. Pescetto, to approve the following retirement with regret, as presented:

- a. Mrs. Lisa Salander, Special Education Teacher, at the conclusion of the 2029-2030 school year
- b. Mr. Kevin Keating, PE Teacher, at the conclusion of the 2030-2031 school year

Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

Approval of the following resignations

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Krzyaniak, to approve the following resignations, as presented:

- a. Mr. Connor Soenksen, Title I Math Paraprofessional, effective September 26, 2025

Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Pescetto, Mr. Alcorn, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

Approval of the following appointments:

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn, to approve the following reassignments, as presented:

- a. Mr. Reid Currier, Volunteer Assistant Cross Country Coach, effective the 2025-2026 school year

- b. Mr. Brandon Placher, Assistant Scholastic Bowl Sponsor (replaces Mr. Rob Clydesdale), effective the 2025-2026 school year
 - c. Mrs. Nicole Kowalczyk, Cavs Day Sponsor (new position), effective the 2025-2026 school year
 - d. Mrs. Michele Doerr, Volunteer Cavs Day Sponsor, effective the 2025-2026 school year
 - e. Mr. Jason Quinn, Hallway Security (replaces Mr. Michael Pittman), effective September 25, 2025
- Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

Approval of the following paternity request:

MOTION by Mr. Pescetto, seconded by Mr. Merboth, to approve of the following paternity request:

- a. Matthew Lambert, for two weeks beginning on or about Tuesday, January 20, 2026. He will use his accumulated sick days to cover the leave.

Voting Aye: Mr. Pescetto, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0**

Approval to allow Knights of Columbus to conduct a Tootsie Roll Candy Sale on Friday, October 3, 2025, at the L-P football game at Howard Fellows Stadium.

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mr. Pescetto, to approve to allow Knights of Columbus to conduct a Tootsie Roll Candy Sale on Friday, October 3, 2025, at the L-P football game at Howard Fellows Stadium, as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

MOTION TO MOVE TO EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Merboth, 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) Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representative, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees, and c) Imminent and/or pending litigation, with open session and possible action items to follow.

Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0 Time 6:44 p.m.**

MOTION TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Krzyaniak, to return to open session. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0. Time 7:11p.m.**

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mr. Greg Sarver, President, Mr. Scott Pescetto, Mrs. Carol Alcorn, Mrs. Chris Krzyaniak, and Mr. Merboth

ABSENT: Mrs. Sally Taliani, Vice-President, Mr. Gary Ferrari

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

NEW BUSINESS

Approval and retain the Executive Closed Session minutes for August 20, 2025, Regular Meeting

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Krzyaniak, to approve to review and retain the Executive/Closed Minutes of August 20, 2025 as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

Approval to review recommended destruction of verbatim audio records from Executive Session held prior to March 1, 2024, per the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Pescetto, to approve review of recommended destruction of verbatim audio records from Executive Session held prior to March 1, 2024, per the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120

a. Regular Meeting Minutes February 21, 2024

Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

Approval to ratify the 2025-2028 collective bargaining agreement with the Building Service Employees Local 138 (Cafeteria Personnel)

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Krzyaniak, to approve the ratification of the 2025-2028 collective bargaining agreement with the Building Service Employees Local 138 (Cafeteria Personnel) as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

Approval of the intergovernmental agreement with the City of Peru, LaSalle County, Illinois, for the Peru Midwest Industrial Nexus Tax Increment Financing District

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn, to approve the intergovernmental agreement with the City of Peru, LaSalle County, Illinois, for the Peru Midwest Industrial Nexus Tax Increment Financing District as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 5-0.**

MOTION by Mr. Pescetto, seconded by Mrs. Krzyaniak, to adjourn. Voting Aye: Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Merboth, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None.

The motion carried 5-0. Time: 7:13p.m.



Mr. Greg Sarver
President



Mrs. Jennifer Riva
Board Secretary

