

**MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
LASALLE-PERU TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 120
DECEMBER 17, 2025, 6:00 PM**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. 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. Scott Pescetto, Mrs. Carol Alcorn, Mrs. Chris Krzyaniak, Mr. Gary Ferrari, and Mr. Matt Merboth

ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Steven Wroblewski, Superintendent, Mrs. Ingrid Cushing, Principal, Ms. Kate Lance, Associate Principal for Teaching and Learning Mr. Matt Baker, Director of Communications, and Attorney Walt Zukowski, and Mrs. Jennifer Riva, Board Secretary

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL TO AMEND THE AGENDA TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL EXCAVATION FOR THE AG BUILDING DUE TO FROST CONDITIONS AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$25,938.

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Pescetto, to amend the agenda to authorize additional excavation for the Ag Building due to frost conditions at an estimated cost of \$25,935, as presented.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 17, 2025, REGULAR MEETING, NOVEMBER 25, 2025, SPECIAL MEETING, AND DECEMBER 8, 2025, SPECIAL MEETING

MOTION by Mr. Merboth seconded by Mrs. Taliani, to approve the minutes from November 19, 2025, Regular Meeting, November 25, 2025, Special Meeting, and December 8, 2025, Special Meeting as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Ferrari, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

RECOGNITIONS AND COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

Recognitions

Girls' Tennis players, Julia Garcia & Dagny Greer, along with coach Aaron Guenther, assistant coach Scott Blessman and assistant coach Jill Urban-Bollis, were recognized for earning 3rd place at the Sectional Championship and qualifying to compete in the IHSA Girls' Doubles Tennis Division at the IHSA State Competition.

Division Spotlight

Mr. Riley Hintzsche, Agricultural Teacher and FFA Advisor, along with FFA Students Molly Mudge, Madylin Thacker, and Molly Thomson, presented on the FFA Expo and Conference they attended in the fall. The students shared their experiences highlighting leadership development, career exploration, networking with peers and industry professionals, participation in career and leadership events, and attending daily general sessions.

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

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

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded Mrs. Taliani, to approve the Hometown Cash Management Report as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Ferrari, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded Mr. Ferrari, to approve the Required Board and Employee Travel Expense Reimbursements, as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Ferrari, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Taliani, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Sarver reported on the following topic:

1. **FOIA Requests:** This past month, we received the following FOIA requests.

Requestor	Date	Request	District Action
Maribeth Wilson, Shaw Media	November 19, 2025	"Email correspondence between Steven Wroblewski and the school board over the last two weeks."	We requested additional time to complete this request. Following legal counsel advice, we approved portions of the request and denied others. We responded within the legal timeframe.
Maribeth Wilson, Shaw Media	November 19, 2025	"Text messages between Steven Wroblewski and the school board over the last two weeks."	We requested additional time to complete this request. Following legal

			counsel advice, we approved portions of the request and denied others. We responded within the legal timeframe.
Attorney Nate Washburn, KGG LLC	November 19, 2025	“...any and all records related to the employment of Clayton Theisinger with LaSalle Peru Township Highschool including but not limited to all email communications sent or received by Clayton Theisinger, performance reviews, salary information, disciplinary information, employment contracts, phone logs, expense reports/reimbursements, written communications sent by or addressed to Clayton Theisinger, and any other records in the possession of the District regarding or involving Clayton Theisinger.”	We requested additional time to complete this request. Following legal counsel advice, we approved portions of the request and denied others. We responded within the legal timeframe.
Michael Cushing	November 20, 2025	“1. All portions of recordings, transcribed notes, and documents from executive/closed sessions on October 13, 2025; October 22, 2025; October 28, 2025; October 29, 2025; October 30, 2025; November 5, 2025; and November 10, 2025, in which the marital status, family structure, and/or residency of the superintendent candidates were discussed by members of the board, the current superintendent, or with other individuals who were present during executive/closed session. 2. All portions of recordings, transcribed notes, and documents from executive/closed sessions on	We requested additional time to complete this request. Following legal counsel advice, we denied the request. We responded within the legal timeframe.

		October 13, 2025; October 22, 2025; October 28, 2025; October 29, 2025; October 30, 2025; November 5, 2025; and November 10, 2025, in which the spouse or family members of the superintendent candidates were discussed or referenced to in some manner by members of the board, the current superintendent, or with other individuals who were present during executive/closed session. 3. All portions of recordings, transcribed notes, and documents from executive/closed sessions on October 13, 2025; October 22, 2025; October 28, 2025; October 29, 2025; October 30, 2025; November 5, 2025; and November 10, 2025, in which the board and (or) current superintendent discussed or reviewed documents relating to letters of support or opposition for the superintendent candidates. 4. A copy of all letters, emails and written communications provided to board members and(or) the current superintendent related to the superintendent candidacy of Mrs. Ingrid Cushing. 5. All portions of recordings, transcribed notes, and documents from executive/closed sessions on October 13, 2025; October 22, 2025; October 28, 2025; October 29, 2025; October 30, 2025; November 5, 2025; and November 10, 2025, where the board members and (or) current superintendent violated LaSalle-	
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		Peru Township High School District #120 Board Policy 2:260. 6. All portions of recordings, transcribed notes, and documents from executive/closed sessions on October 13, 2025; October 22, 2025; October 28, 2025; October 29, 2025; October 30, 2025; November 5, 2025; and November 10, 2025, where the board members and (or) current superintendent violated LaSalle-Peru Township High School District #120 Board Policy 5:10.”	
Maribeth Wilson, Shaw Media	November 21, 2025	“Text messages between Steven Wrobleski and Jennifer Does over the past six months.”	We requested additional time to complete this request. Following legal counsel advice, we approved the request. We responded within the legal timeframe.
Maribeth Wilson, Shaw Media	November 21, 2025	“Financial reports and audits regarding the construction and development of L-P’s agriculture program.”	We requested additional time to complete this request. Following legal counsel advice, we approved the request. We responded within the legal timeframe.
Maribeth Wilson, Shaw Media	December 3, 2025	“A copy of Steven Wrobleski's superintendent contract.”	We approved the request and responded within the statutory timeframe of five business days.
Maribeth Wilson, Shaw Media	December 3, 2025	“A copy of Dr. Clayton Theisinger's superintendent contract.”	We approved the request and responded within the statutory timeframe of five business days.
Mr. Michael Cushing	December 8, 2025	“1. All school (district) email communications, and corresponding attached documents, received by LaSalle-	Following legal counsel’s advice, the District issued a voluminous FOIA

		Peru Township High School District #120 Board Member Greg Sarver and sent by LaSalle-Peru Township High School District #120 Board Member Greg Sarver since July 1, 2025, that include the following: Ingrid Cushing, Ingrid, Cushing, IC, and/or internal candidate. 2. All personal email communications, and corresponding attached documents, received by LaSalle-Peru Township High School District #120 Board Member Greg Sarver and sent by LaSalle-Peru Township High School District #120 Board Member Greg Sarver since July 1, 2025, that are related to LaSalle-Peru Township High School District #120 and include the following: Ingrid Cushing, Ingrid, Cushing, IC, and/or internal candidate. 3. All school (district) email communications, and corresponding attached documents, received by LaSalle-Peru Township High School District #120 Board Member Carol Alcorn and sent by LaSalle-Peru Township High School District #120 Board Member Carol Alcorn since July 1, 2025, that include the following: Ingrid Cushing, Ingrid, Cushing, IC, and/or internal candidate. 4. All personal email communications, and corresponding attached documents, received by LaSalle-Peru Township High School District #120 Board Member Carol Alcorn and sent by LaSalle-Peru Township High	request under 5 ILCS 140/2(h). Recipient is required to respond within 10 business days and indicate whether they wish to amend the request so it will no longer be treated as voluminous
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		School District #120 Board Member Carol Alcorn since July 1, 2025, that are related to LaSalle-Peru Township High School District #120 and include the following: Ingrid Cushing, Ingrid, Cushing, IC, and/or internal candidate.” 5. A copy of all letters, emails and written communications provided to board members and (or) the current superintendent related to the superintendent candidacy of Mrs. Ingrid Cushing. (Original FOIA Submitted on November 20, 2025, LPHS Denial Received on December 5, 2025, and Appealed to PAC on December 8, 2025)	
Maribeth Wilson, December 9, 2025	December 9, 2025	“Any investigative documents or notes regarding the separation agreements of Steven Wroblewski and Jennifer Does.”	We requested additional time to complete this request.

PRINCIPAL

Mr. Ingrid Cushing, reported on the following topics:

- Our Solution Tree consultant was present in the building on Monday, December 8th. He conducted meetings with several division chairs. The individual meetings allowed him the chance to provide coaching on using student data as well as conducting the CTT meetings. Additionally, he met with Ms. Lance and me to complete some reports for Solution Tree as well as review our district data on the School Report Card.
- As we wrap up the first semester, we had finals on Wednesday, December 17th in the afternoon. Students then had finals during the mornings of Thursday, December 18th and Friday, December 19th. Teachers use the afternoon to either administer make-up finals or to grade the finals they have administered. All grades are due on December 29th with report cards being set out shortly following. When our teachers return from Winter Break on Monday, January 5th, they will have an Institute Day. The day’s agenda will include time to prepare for their 2nd semester courses as well as a staff meeting.
- We are finalizing our resubmission of our next College and Career Pathway Endorsement to ISBE. We are in our second year of the Manufacturing, Engineering, Technology, and Trades pathway, which is focused on welding. This year, we will be submitting the Education pathway. This pathway will include all the required components, such as coursework, dual credit opportunities, career exploration opportunities, and 60 hours of an internship experience.
- A change in School Code has occurred with regards to the auto placement mandates for moving students to more rigorous courses based on their ACT scores. My office has been working to make the changes necessary to implement this mandate with fidelity. In this mandate, students who score in the EXCEEDS category on State Assessments will automatically be placed in the next highest level course in that same area that they scored in the EXCEEDS category. For the

students who scored in the MEETS category, they are automatically eligible to be in the next highest level. Parents will have the option to sign an opt-out form that we must keep on file. Communication to families and students will occur in late December prior to registration.

- Our student registration process is beginning. Our counselors have gone to the middle schools to meet with 8th grade students and communication with our current students has been occurring. Student meetings will begin in late January. To save the district money on postage and eliminate the numerous hours that are necessary for the creating a mailing, the traditional winter mailing of registration materials will be moving to an online format. Paper copies will remain available upon request.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

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

1. Item 1: Athletics Update

a. Winter Sports

- i. The Boys and Girls bowling teams are off to fast starts. The Girls won the Oregon Invitation on 12/6 while the Boys brought home 2nd place.
- ii. The Cavaliers will host 23 Boys' teams at the IV Super Bowl on 12/13 for the annual Cavalier Bowling Classic. Some great competition will be in the Illinois Valley for this tournament. The Girls' will hold their tournament on 12/30.
- iii. The Cheer squad qualified for the State tournament with their performance on 12/6. The State competition will be held in January.

b. Fall Sports Recap

- i. Coach Mark Haberkorn was inducted into the Illinois Volleyball Coaches Association Hall of Fame. He was recognized at the IHSA State Volleyball tournament in Bloomington.
- ii. We had 6 NewsTrib Player of the Years in the Fall
 1. Aubrey Duttlinger--Volleyball
 2. Nick Hachenberger—Football Defensive Player
 3. Julia Garcia and Dagny Greer—Girls' Tennis
 4. Samantha Nauman—Girls' SWIM Coop
 5. Gianni Verucchi—Boys Cross Country
 6. Sophia Chiu—Girls' Golf

2. Item 2: December Activities Report

1. ITEM 2—Activities Update

- a. FFA had a busy and productive month! They were honored to host Illinois FFA Treasurer Kaydence Wooten along with the Section 7 Officer Team, who led members through a powerful and engaging workshop. On November 24–25, eleven FFA members attended the BUILD Conference at Illinois State University, where they connected with FFA students from across the state and explored leadership opportunities beyond high school. Most recently, members participated in the Career Development Event at Illinois Valley Community College, gaining valuable experience and showcasing their skills.
- b. The LP Choir, under the direction of Mrs. Natalie Verucchi, performed its Winter Choral Concert on December 4, 2025. The choir delivered a truly beautiful and heartfelt performance that filled the auditorium with holiday cheer.
- c. Student Council hosted its annual Santa's Workshop on December 6th. Students dressed in festive holiday costumes and spent the morning creating crafts with young children from our community.
- d. The ELL ESS PE Yearbook participated in the Celebration of Lights in LaSalle on December 8th.
- e. The LP Band, under the direction of Mr. Jeremy Stevens, performed a beautiful Holiday Concert on December 11th, delivering a wonderful performance that sounded fantastic.

- f. The **Art Club** painted a festive holiday landscape on the windows at Hi-Tech in Oglesby.
- g. **Renaissance** hosted their Recognition Rally on December 12th in Matthiessen Memorial Auditorium. They recognized Illinois State Scholars, positive referrals, all state ILMEA honorees, and the Tireless Staff Awards. Mr. Shalter won the tireless faculty award, and Mrs. Balestri won the staff award. They also conducted a toy drive to help support La Salle Police Department's Santa program.

ACC DIRECTOR

Dr. Shane Lange, reported on the following topics:

Industry Engagement and Program Enhancements

- **Building Trades and Welding Programs Field Experience:** Students from the Building Trades and Welding programs recently participated in a visit to the Ironworkers Training Facility and Onsite Repair. This engagement provided students with valuable insights into the apprenticeship program structure and connected them directly with a relevant local employer, deepening their understanding of career pathways.
- **Dual Credit Enrollment and Expansion:**
 - Students enrolled in the Health Occupations and Early Childhood Education programs have successfully completed the early sign-up process for their dual credit courses.
 - **Early Childhood Education Enhancement:** Second-year students in the Early Childhood Education program are now eligible to receive an additional 3 credits through a recently established dual credit opportunity.
 - **Educational Pathway Grant Opportunity:** Interested students can now enroll in a supplementary IVCC course, in addition to their ACC credit, with all associated costs covered by the Educational Pathway Grant.

Outreach and Recruitment

- **Mendota High School Sophomore Visit:** The Career Center hosted the Mendota High School sophomore class on December 2nd. Students participated in a comprehensive visit designed to provide a deeper understanding of Career and Technical Education (CTE).
 - The cohort received an overview of CTE principles and the experience of attending the Career Center.
 - Students were then organized into smaller groups to attend focused presentations delivered by ACC program instructors, offering in-depth views of specific career paths.

Facilities and Resource Development

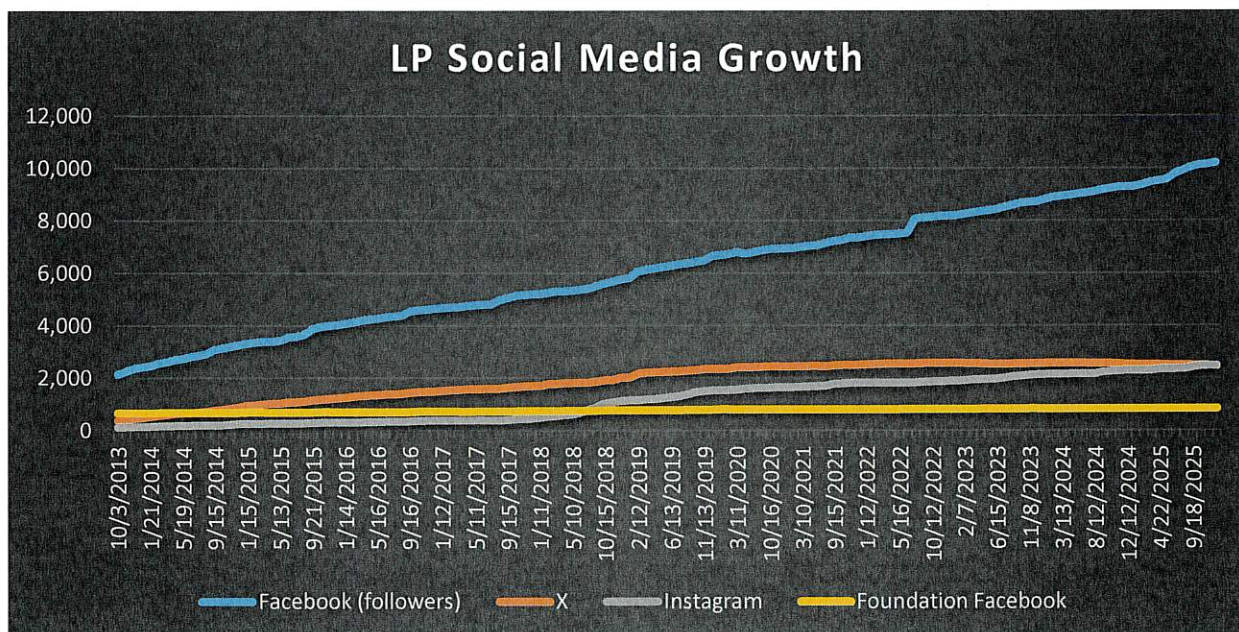
- **ISBE Maintenance Grant Approval:** The ACC has been approved for the ISBE Maintenance Grant. Mr. Kmetz is currently developing the strategic plan for facility improvements slated for the Dolan Building.
- **Vehicle Donation for Automotive Program:** The ACC's Automotive program recently received a generous vehicle donation from Carus Chemical. The program is currently conducting a thorough assessment of the vehicle's condition to develop a repair and maintenance plan for execution in the upcoming months.

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Matt Baker, reported on the following topics:

- We're still busy creating game day graphics for sports programs, along with internal hallway graphics for numerous activities thanks in large part to the efforts of our Student Assistants.
- We livestreamed the winter choral and band concerts.
- Dr. Elizabeth Hebbard of Indiana University visited the library to examine our medieval antiphony (a gift from the Matthiessen/Blow family in the early days of L-P). This is part of a larger project Hebbard and colleagues are completing to document and database medieval European manuscripts and documents in the Midwest. We are the only high school with an object like this that they have uncovered. Some of our history students had the opportunity to learn

about this project Wednesday morning as Hebbard examined the antiphonary. Hebbard's initial conclusion is that the antiphonary was produced in the mid-15th century, likely in northern Italy.



NEW BUSINESS

Approval to adopt the Tax Year 2025 Levy for School Year 2026-2027

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Taliani, adopt the Tax Year 2025 Levy for School Year 2026-2027, as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Ferrari, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

RESOLUTION declaring the intention of LaSalle Peru Township High School District No. 120, LaSalle and Bureau Counties, Illinois, to avail of the provisions of Article 19 of the School Code of the State of Illinois, as amended, and to issue funding bonds in an amount not to exceed \$4,500,000 and directing that a notice of such intention be published in the manner provided by law.

MOTION by Mr. Pescetto, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn, to approve the Resolution declaring the intention of LaSalle Peru Township High School District No. 120, LaSalle and Bureau Counties, Illinois, to avail of the provisions of Article 19 of the School Code of the State of Illinois, as amended, and to issue funding bonds in an amount not to exceed \$4,500,000 and directing that a notice of such intention be published in the manner provided by law, as presented.

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

Approval of the following resignations:

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

- Ms. Kiersten Tieman, Assistant Winter Cheer Coach, effective for the 2025-2026 school year (replaces Mrs. Becky Johnson)
- Mr. Mike Lynch, Volunteer Baseball Coach, effective for the 2025-2026 school year
- Mr. Michael Taylor, Volunteer Special Olympics Coach, effective for the 2025-2026 school year

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

Approval of the following assignments:

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

- a. Mr. Jens Soderholm, Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach to Volunteer Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach, effect for the 2025-2026 school year

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

Approval of the following appointments:

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

- a. Ms. Heather Leffers, Volunteer Cavalettes Assistant Coach, effective for the 2025-2026 school year
- b. Mr. Jakob Kupperschmid, Volunteer Assistant Football Coach, effective for the 2026-2027 school year
- c. Mr. Mike Kasprak, Volunteer Assistant Football Coach, effective for the 2026-2027 school year

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

Approval of the music department's overnight trip to Peoria, IL to participate in the Illinois Music Education Association All-State Festival from January 29 to January 31, 2026. The District Activities travel account will fund expenses

Motion by Mr. Pescetto, seconded by Mr. Ferrari, to approve the music department's overnight trip to Peoria, IL to participate in the Illinois Music Education Association All-State Festival from January 29 to January 31, 2026. The District Activities travel account will fund expenses, as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Pescetto, Mr. Ferrari, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Taliani, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval of the baseball team's overnight trip to Edwardsville, IL to participate in the Metro East Kickoff Invite from March 20 to March 21, 2026. The camp fund and booster account will fund expenses

Motion by Mrs. Taliani, seconded by Mr. Merboth, to the baseball team's overnight trip to Edwardsville, IL to participate in the Metro East Kickoff Invite from March 20 to March 21, 2026. The camp fund and booster account will fund expenses, as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Ferrari, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval of the LP Crunching Cavs Youth Wrestling Program request to host the IKWF West Sectional Regional Wrestling Tournament on Sunday, March 1, 2026

Motion by Mr. Ferrari, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn, to approve the LP Crunching Cavs Youth Wrestling Program request to host the IKWF West Sectional Regional Wrestling Tournament on Sunday, March 1, 2026, as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Ferrari, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Taliani, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval to authorize additional excavation for the Ag Building due to frost conditions at an estimated cost of \$25,938.00

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Taliani, to authorize additional excavation for the Ag Building due to frost conditions at an estimated cost of \$25,935, as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Ferrari, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

MOTION TO MOVE TO EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION

MOTION by Mr. Pescetto, 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) Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee, and 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 with open session and possible action items to follow. Voting Aye: Mr. Pescetto, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Ferrari, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0. Time: 6:31p.m.**

MOTION TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION by Mr. Ferrari, seconded by Mr. Merboth, to return to open session. Voting Aye: Mr. Ferrari, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mrs. Taliani, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0. Time 7:05pm.**

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: Mrs. Ingrid Cushing, Principal, Ms. Kate Lance, Associate Principal for Teaching and Learning, Attorney Walt Zukowski, and Mrs. Jennifer Riva, Board Secretary

NEW BUSINESS

Approval to review and retain the following executive/closed session minutes for Regular Meeting Minutes, November 19, 2025, Special Meeting Minutes, November 25, 2025, and Special Meeting Minutes, December 8, 2025

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Pescetto, to review and retain the following executive/closed session minutes for Regular Meeting Minutes, November 19, 2025, Special Meeting Minutes, November 25, 2025, and Special Meeting Minutes, December 8, 2025, as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Ferrari, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval to destruct verbatim audio records from Executive Session held prior to June 1, 2024, per the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mr. Ferrari, to approve destruction of verbatim audio records from Executive Session held prior to June 1, 2024, per the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120, as presented.

a. Regular Meeting Minutes, May 15, 2024

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

Approval to Appoint Ms. Kate Lance as Interim Principal effective December 17, 2025

MOTION by Mrs. Taliani, seconded by Mr. Merboth, to appoint Ms. Kate Lance as Interim Principal effective December 17, 2025, as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Ferrari, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval to Appoint Mrs. Lori Whalen as Business Manager effective December 17, 2025

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn, to appoint Mrs. Lori Whalen as Business Manager effective December 17, 2025, as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Ferrari, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval of the Employee Waiver Agreement

MOTION by Mr. Ferrari, seconded by Mr. Merboth, to approve the Employee Waiver Agreement, as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Ferrari, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mrs. Taliani, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

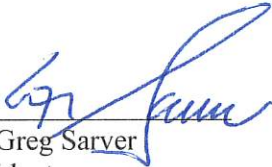
Approval to Appoint Mrs. Ingrid Cushing as Assistant Superintendent/Interim Superintendent effective December 17, 2025

MOTION by Mrs. Taliani, seconded by Mr. Pescetto, to appoint Mrs. Ingrid Cushing as Assistant Superintendent/Interim Superintendent, effective December 17, 2025, as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Ferrari, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval a Memorandum of Understanding with the LaSalle-Peru Federation of Teachers Local 604 regarding head coach differential

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn, to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the LaSalle-Peru Federation of Teachers Local 604 regarding head coach differential, as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Ferrari, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mrs. Taliani, to adjourn. Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Pescetto, Mrs. Krzyaniak, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Ferrari, and Mr. Sarver. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0. Time: 7:04p.m.**



Mr. Greg Sarver
President



Mrs. Jennifer Riva
Board Secretary