TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 211
Palatine, Illinois

BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
August 13, 2026
6:00 p.m.
Official

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, Township High School District 211, Cook County, Illinois was held on August 13, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the G.A. McElroy Administration Center at 1750 South Roselle Road, Palatine, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

Physically Present:	Peter Dombrowski, Member Anne Lopez, Member Jane Russell, Member Kenneth Van Dyke, Member Steven Rosenblum, President and Member
Present by Other Means:	None
Absent:	Kimberly Cavill, Vice President and Member

Board Member and Secretary Michelle Barron arrived at 6:01 p.m.

Also present were: Dr. Judith Campbell, Superintendent of Schools; members of the District administrative staff; and interested citizens.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Rosenblum led the Board of Education and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Closed Session

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the Board enter closed session to discuss minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act [5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (21)]; appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees [5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1)]; and probable or imminent litigation against, affecting, or on behalf of the public body [5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11).

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Steven Rosenblum

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Education entered executive session at 6:02 p.m. and resumed its meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Return to Open Session

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion that the Board of Education return to open session.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye: Michelle Barron
Peter Dombrowski
Anne Lopez
Jane Russell
Kenneth Van Dyke
Steven Rosenblum

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Rosenblum led the Board of Education and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, to amend the agenda to include potential topics for future discussion.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye: Michelle Barron
Peter Dombrowski
Anne Lopez
Jane Russell
Kenneth Van Dyke
Steven Rosenblum

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Dr. Judith Campbell and Board President Steven Rosenblum acknowledged a recent Google email incident.

Recognition

Mr. Rosenblum invited Superintendent Dr. Judith Campbell to begin recognitions. Superintendent Dr. Judith Campbell introduced Director of Athletics and Activities Eric Wenckowski.

Mr. Wenckowski and staff presented medallions to the following Illinois High School Association Class 1A Unified Track Champions from Hoffman Estates High School: Joseph Aguilar, Yasir Amaro, Nicodeme Banka, Joshua Classen, Tselmuun Enkhtur, Emma Espin, Jaylan Johnson, Malachi Joyner, James Lesh, Jennifer Lombaida, Abner Mata, Tyler Mugisha, Nithin Murugan, Akolade Odutola, Yasch Patel, Serxio Renteria, Frank Sanchez, Sahil Shah, Aazaanullah Syed and Davin Toy-Besch.

Introduction of Newly Appointed or Promoted Administrators and Deans

Superintendent Dr. Judith Campbell introduced and the Board of Education officially welcomed the following administrators and deans who have been recently appointed or promoted to new positions: Daniel Aguilar, assistant principal, Hoffman Estates High School; Brittany Berleman, athletic director, Hoffman Estates High School; Dr. LaShonda Bilbo-Ervin, deputy superintendent of leadership and learning, G.A. McElroy Administration Center; Allison Brand, assistant principal, Hoffman Estates High School; Teresa Brandt, assistant principal, Schaumburg High School; Jasmin Chung, dean of students, Hoffman Estates High School; Dr. Danielle Hauser, assistant superintendent of student services, G.A. McElroy Administration Center; Matthew Hildebrand, director of safety and security, G.A. McElroy Administration Center; Kenneth Kleber, assistant superintendent of human resources, G.A. McElroy Administration Center; Charles Nichols, assistant principal, Hoffman Estates High School; Andrew Peterman, director of instructional technology and innovation, G.A. McElroy Administration Center; Seanna Petmezas, dean of building and grounds, Hoffman Estates High School; Maria Robertson, chief of communications and community engagement officer, G.A. McElroy Administration Center; Jessica Romero, director of insurance and group benefits, G.A. McElroy Administration Center; LaShaunda Sandifer, associate principal, William Fremd High School; Michael Smith, principal, James B. Conant High School; and Larry Varn, director of equity and strategic initiatives, G.A. McElroy Administration Center.

Recess

The Board of Education took a recess from 7:24 p.m. to 7:28 p.m.

Citizens' Petitions and Appearances

President Rosenblum made the following announcement: "The next item on our agenda is Public Comments. The Board welcomes your participation and values hearing from our community. Please remember this is a meeting of the Board held in public, not a dialogue, so Board members will not respond or answer questions during this time. Comments should focus on school district matters, and to protect privacy, please do not mention or identify individual students. We ask everyone to speak with respect and civility, so each voice can be heard. Vulgar, obscene, libelous language, or interruptions will not be tolerated. If you have concerns about District staff or Board members, please follow the District's communication protocols so they can be addressed appropriately. Please note, this meeting is recorded and live-streamed. It is being watched by people from across our community -- including neighbors, staff, parents and students. Therefore, we ask that you value the procedures and decorum of our meeting, being

nice and respectful of those at the podium so they may be heard. When I call your name, please come to the podium and state your name for the record. You may also choose to state if you are a resident of the district. You will have three minutes to share your comments. Please note that your time may not be given to another speaker. The timer on the display will guide you. If you wish a response from the Superintendent's Administrative Team's Office, please leave your name and phone number with Mr. Kleber. Again, there will be three minutes allotted for public comment tonight. Thank you."

The following individual addressed the Board regarding boys' volleyball: Lee Bennett.

2026-2027 Tentative Budget Presentation

Superintendent Dr. Judith Campbell introduced Chief Operating Officer Lauren Hummel and Controller/Treasurer Kathy Zalewski. Ms. Hummel and Ms. Zalewski presented the 2026-2027 Tentative Budget.

The following Board Members made comments on the 2026-2027 Tentative Budget: Ms. Barron and Mr. Rosenblum.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the consent agenda, with the removal of the minutes of the rescheduled meeting of July 30, 2026, be approved as presented.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

The following consent agenda items (indicated by *) were enacted by one motion:

*Approval of Bills for Payment

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the Board of Education approve the Board checklistings in the amount of $18,901,514.26 as submitted.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Financial Report – as of June 30, 2026**

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the Board of Education accept the financial report as of June 30, 2026 as submitted.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Investment Report – as of June 30, 2026**

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the Board of Education accept the investment report as of June 30, 2026 as submitted.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Variance Report – as of June 30, 2026**

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the Board of Education accept the variance report as of June 30, 2026 as submitted.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Student Activities Report – as of June 30, 2026**

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the Board of Education accept the student activities report as of June 30, 2026 as submitted.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Acceptance of Donation**

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the Board of Education formally accept a donation of fifteen (15) powershift hydraulics from Power Solutions International; and further, that a letter of appreciation be sent, on the Board's behalf, by the Superintendent as submitted.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Personnel Recommendations**

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the Board of Education approve the personnel recommendations as presented.

Full-Time Teacher Employment:
(Effective 2026-2027 School Year)

Michelle Birkholz; student support specialist, Schaumburg High School
Jane Stoller; English as a second language, James B. Conant High School

Part-Time Teacher Employment (First Semester):
(Effective 2026-2027 School Year)

Benjamin Kowalski; music, Schaumburg High School
Mariya Dmytryuk; English as a second language, William Fremd High School
Victoria Eldridge; business education, William Fremd High School

Resignations:

Gary Gorson; chief technology officer, G.A. McElroy Administration Center

Support Staff New Hires:

Jennifer Brady; teacher assistant, Hoffman Estates High School
Jackson Brigham; teacher assistant, James B. Conant High School
Grace Corwine; teacher assistant, Hoffman Estates High School
Abigail Dahlem; teacher assistant, William Fremd High School
Joseph Delulio IV; teacher assistant, Hoffman Estates High School
Edyta Dwojak; support staff, G.A. McElroy Administration Center
Courtney Mables; teacher assistant, Hoffman Estates High School
Kaycee McDonald; sign language interpreter, Schaumburg High School
Brittany Papa; teacher assistant, Hoffman Estates High School
Mary Roeckell; teacher assistant, Palatine High School
Kathryn Ruggio; support staff, Palatine High School
Kathleen Sampson; teacher assistant, Palatine High School
Lauren Smith; teacher assistant, Palatine High School
Thomas Swanson; teacher assistant, William Fremd High School
Victoria Unger; transportation, G.A. McElroy Administration Center
Melanie Vargas Villegas; teacher assistant, Palatine High School
Stephanie Wayda; teacher assistant, Hoffman Estates High School

Support Staff Resignations:

Cholada Anansiripinyo; food service, Palatine High School
Jennifer Barry; teacher assistant, Hoffman Estates High School
Sunny Burke; student supervisor, James B. Conant High School
Jaylon Clark; teacher assistant, William Fremd High School
Rachel Fink; support staff, Hoffman Estates High School
Patrick Giannopoulos; technology, William Fremd High School
Jean John; food service, Palatine High School
Emily Klaczek; teacher assistant, William Fremd High School
Liliana Laci; food service, Palatine High School
Connor Lang; teacher assistant, Palatine High School
Marisa Medine; teacher assistant, Hoffman Estates High School
Margaret-Rose Madden; testing assistant, Hoffman Estates High School
Alyssa Perone; teacher assistant, Palatine High School
Ghislaine Robledo; teacher assistant, Palatine High School
Thomas Rossi; teacher assistant, Hoffman Estates High School
Patricia Schueneman; teacher assistant, Higgins Education Center
Ronald Wright; teacher assistant, Palatine High School
Bailey Zinger; teacher assistant, Palatine High School

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes – Rescheduled Meeting of July 30, 2026

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the minutes of the rescheduled meeting of July 30, 2026 as recommended to be revised be approved as presented.

Mr. Dombrowski made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rosenblum, to amend the motion by substituting Mr. Dombrowski's vote from abstain to no for items 3A through 3K to properly reflect the record.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dombrowski, that the minutes of the rescheduled regular meeting of July 30, 2026 be approved as presented.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

Freedom of Information Act Requests

The Board of Education received and reviewed a report on Freedom of Information Act requests and responses.

Purchase of Genetec Server Replacement

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the Board of Education approve the purchase of the 5-year agreement and financing plan with CDW for the upgrade of Township High School District 211's Genetec security server hardware and video storage infrastructure, at an annual cost of $173,910.94, for a total 5-year cost not to exceed $869,546.30.

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Kenneth Van Dyke Michelle Barron Jane Russell Anne Lopez Peter Dombrowski
Abstain:	Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried 5-0.

2026-2027 Tentative Budget

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the Board of Education approve the 2026-2027 Tentative Budget as presented and direct the Superintendent to place it on file for public inspection for a minimum of thirty days; further, that notice of a public hearing to be held at the Board of Education meeting on September 17, 2026 be published.

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Anne Lopez Michelle Barron Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	Peter Dombrowski

The motion carried 5-1.

2027 Health and Dental Insurance Premium Rates

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the Board of Education approve Blue Cross/Blue Shield premium equivalent rates, contribution percentages and wellness incentive structure for the applicable employee groups, effective January 1, 2027 as presented.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Anne Lopez Michelle Barron Kenneth Van Dyke Jane Russell Peter Dombrowski Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

Revised Regular Meeting Minutes of March 19, 2026

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the regular meeting minutes of March 19, 2026 be approved as revised, including an update to the motion verbiage.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Jane Russell Peter Dombrowski Kenneth Van Dyke Michelle Barron Anne Lopez Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

Northwest Suburban Special Education Organization (NSSEO) Report

Mr. Rosenblum reported on recent NSSEO activities

Education Research Development/Legislative (ED-RED) Report

Ms. Russell reported on recent legislative activities.

Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) Report

Ms. Russell reported on recent IASB activities.

Dr. Judith Campbell, Superintendent of Schools

Superintendent Dr. Judith Campbell made the following report:

As previously stated, Welcome Back as I highlight a few events that I have had the opportunity to participate in, as we have started the 2026-2027 school year

Monday, August 3rd, I attended the RISE program celebration at Roosevelt University in which Schaumburg's Village Manager, Brian Townsend, other elected officials, along with education and business leaders were present. This event began with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and remarks from Schaumburg Mayor, Tom Dailly. The RISE program provides emerging businesses with mentorship, education and access to university and community resources. It was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate an initiative that demonstrates the impact of strong partnerships among education, businesses and our greater community.

On Wednesday, August 5th, D211's district and building administrators came together at Fremd High School for our annual Administrative Leadership Summit. The day provided an opportunity to reconnect as a leadership team, celebrate the start of a new school year and reflect on our District's mission, values and goals. We reviewed outcomes from this previous school year, as we look to use data to inform our decisions, aligned to our priorities toward the trajectory of success for every D211 student, as we enter this final year of our 2022–2027 Strategic Plan. District departments also shared their goals, professional development priorities and important opening-of-school updates to help position our administrators, students and staff, for a successful year. Most importantly, the Summit allowed us to begin the year with a shared sense of purpose and a commitment to last year's theme, but now our motto: **United in Purpose, Powered By Passion!** Additionally, I would be remiss if I didn't take this moment to thank those board members that took time out of their busy schedules to join us during this summit. Thank you!

Monday, August 10th, marked our first day of school. The positive energy could be felt throughout District 211as our students and staff were officially back together. I had the opportunity during this week to visit all 7 of our high schools and to say there was great excitement and enthusiasm from ALL, is an understatement. I enjoyed the opportunity to engage in some of our traditional first-day celebrations such as our Schaumburg High School's Senior Sunrise and Palatine High School's Senior Parade, just to name a few.

I want to thank our staff, with a special shout out to our O&M team, families and community members for all they have done to help us begin another successful school year as we lean into this year's theme, **Growing Together, Achieving Together.**

District 211 Board of Education

Mr. Rosenblum, Ms. Russell, Ms. Lopez and Ms. Barron commented on District 211 events.

Upcoming Events/Calendar Items

A. August 27 - Parent Open House
B. September 7 - Labor Day Holiday – No Classes
C. 17 - Next Regular Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.

Potential Topics for Future Discussion

Ms. Barron brought up the topic of no longer having a July Board meeting.

Return to Closed Session

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Barron, that the Board re-enter closed session to discuss minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act [5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (21)]; appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific

employees [5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1)]; and probable or imminent litigation against, affecting, or on behalf of the public body [5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11).

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	None
Nay:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Steven Rosenblum

The motion failed.

Acceptance of Retirement Request(s)

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the Board of Education accept the retirement requests effective December 2029 and June 2027 as presented in accordance with the Master Contract of the United Support Staff; and the retirement request effective May 2030 as presented in accordance with the District 211 Teachers' Union.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Kenneth Van Dyke Michelle Barron Jane Russell Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

Employee Matter(s)

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the Board of Education approve a two (2) day suspension without pay for employee Debra Imburgia.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Anne Lopez Peter Dombrowski Kenneth Van Dyke Jane Russell Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the Board of Education approve a three (3) day suspension without pay for employee Laura Rodriguez-Nehf.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Peter Dombrowski Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Anne Lopez Michelle Barron Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

Administrative Appointment(s)

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that effective August 14, 2026, Matthew Marks be appointed as an assistant principal at James B. Conant High School at an annual gross salary of $140,000.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Anne Lopez Jane Russell Peter Dombrowski Kenneth Van Dyke Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that effective August 14, 2026, Kevin Miller be appointed as the 10-month Program Administrator for the District 211 North Campus at an annual gross salary of $110,000.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Anne Lopez Kenneth Van Dyke Peter Dombrowski Jane Russell Michelle Barron Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

Workers' Compensation Settlement

Mr. Rosenblum made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the Board of Education authorize settlement authority as presented in the pending workers' compensation injury matter.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Kenneth Van Dyke Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Michelle Barron Jane Russell Steven Rosenblum
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education, President Rosenblum thereupon declared the meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary, District 211

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President, District 211