

LIBERTYVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
District No. 70
Libertyville, Illinois

October 27, 2025

The meeting of the Board of Education District No. 70, Lake County, Illinois, was called to order at 6:00pm in the boardroom at the ERC, 1381 Lake St., Libertyville on Monday, October 27, 2025.

The following members answered present at roll call: Mrs. Dahlke, Mrs. Khan, Mr. Sticklen, Mrs. Grove, Mr. Lawton Mr. McGhee and Mrs. Schilling. Absent - None.

Also present: Superintendent Rebecca Jenkins, Dr. Bongle, Mr. Theis, Mr. Vipond, Ms. Donev, Ms. Bachar, Mrs. Kollman and Mrs. Coyle. District guests included: Mr Ciecowa, Mrs. Crenshaw, Ms. Richards, Mr. Feldman, and Mrs. McBride.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The regular meeting started with the pledge of allegiance.

HONORING STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY

The Board of Education and Mrs. Jenkins honored two Copeland Manor students, Eva V. and Joey S., one Rockland student, Mokshita H, and one Adler Park student, Isabelle C., for their trophy-winning entries into the Libertyville Fire Department's 52nd annual Fire Safety Poster Week contest. The theme for this year's contest (open to first through fifth grades) was "Charge into Fire Safety."

The board also honored a group of people, including community and staff members, police, and fire officials, for their quick thinking and dedicated work in saving a gentleman who suffered a serious medical emergency the second week of school near the Copeland Manor blacktop. The group is credited with saving the man's life.

A short break to meet and mingle with honorees took place after honoring students and community from 6:10pm - 6:19pm. The regular meeting resumed at 6:19pm.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Mr. McGhee, seconded by Mr. Lawton, that the Board of Education approve the consent agenda as presented in Board Report 3. The following items were contained in the consent agenda:

3.1 - Minutes of the Regular Meeting, September 29, 2025

3.2 - Approval of Finance Reports

- Agenda of Bills
- Payroll

- Budgetary
- Treasurer's Report

3.3 - Approval of Personnel

- Change of Assignment
- Resignation/Retirement
- Leave of Absence
- New Hires

3.3 - Approval of Board Member Estimated Expenses for 2025 Joint Annual Conference

- Jennifer Khan, Board President
- Nanette Dahlke, Board Member
- Kate Grove, Board Member
- Brian Lawton, Board Member
- Steve Sticklen, Board Member

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On roll call vote: ayes – Mr. Sticklen, Mrs. Schilling, Mrs. Grove, Mr. Lawton, Mr. McGhee, Mrs. Dahlke, and Mrs. Khan. Absent – None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no presentations from the floor.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mrs. Jenkins highlighted a month full of learning, service, and creativity across District 70 during her October report to the Board of Education.

Districtwide, staff kicked off the month with an inspiring Institute Day dedicated to belonging and inclusion. At Copeland Manor, students rallied together for the annual Tower Build — stacking boxes of hot cocoa and oatmeal that were later donated to Fill A Heart 4 Kids to support families in need. The school also brought big smiles and even bigger talent to the stage during its Variety Show.

At Adler Park, students continued to strengthen friendships and build community through Fun Friday "Connection Bracelets," inclusive circle time discussions, and joyful recess adventures.

Highland Middle School students showcased hands-on learning through the ever-popular sewing and food and nutrition classes, while the Child Care program provided authentic experiences as students worked with our Little Sprouts Preschool learners.

At Butterfield, math learning came to life as students explored measurement in collaborative ways, and the school's Buddy program continued to shine — pairing older and younger students to foster leadership, empathy, and strong relationships.

Rockland students leaned into student voice and agency, with Principal Steve Feldman encouraging leadership opportunities throughout the building. The school also launched an engaging new CKLA unit that has students thinking deeply and learning with excitement.

APPROVAL OF SCHOOL BOARD POLICIES

Board Report 6.1 sought formal approval of the following School Board Policy:

- 8:80 **Community Relations:** Gifts to the District

Motion was made by Mr. Lawton, seconded by Mrs. Dahlke, that the Board of Education approve the policies as presented in Board Report 6.1.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mrs. Dahlke, Mr. Sticklen, Mrs. Khan, Mrs. Grove, Mr. Lawton, Mr. McGhee, and Mrs. Schilling. Absent – None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

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APPROVAL OF DELEGATE FOR IASB DELEGATE ASSEMBLY AT 2025 JOINT CONFERENCE

Board Report 6.2 sought approval to approve Mr. Steve Sticklen as the Board of Education's delegate for the 2025 Annual Conference Delegate Assembly. Each year, the Board of Education designates an official delegate to represent the district at the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) Delegate Assembly during the Joint Annual Conference. The Delegate Assembly provides an opportunity for member districts to vote on resolutions that guide the IASB's advocacy and policy direction.

Motion was made by Mr. McGhee, seconded by Mr. Lawton, that the Board of Education approve the delegate as submitted in Board Report 8.2.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mrs. Dahlke, Mrs. Khan, Mrs. Grove, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Lawton, and Mr. McGhee. Abstain - Mr. Sticklen. Absent – None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

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APPROVAL OF 2025 RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Board reviewed and approved Board Report 6.3, granting authority to the appointed delegate, Mr. Sticklen, to vote on the IASB resolutions and constitutional amendments at the 2025 Delegate Assembly. Mr. Sticklen's votes will reflect the consensus of the Libertyville District 70 Board of Education.

Motion was made by Mr. Lawton, seconded by Mrs. Dahlke, that the Board of Education approve that Delegate Sticklen be granted the authority to vote on the IASB resolutions and constitutional amendments at the 2025 Delegate Assembly solely in accordance with the consensus of Libertyville District 70 Board of Education on October 27, 2025.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mrs. Grove, Mr. Lawton, Mr. McGhee, Mrs. Schilling, Mrs. Khan, and Mrs. Dahlke. Abstain - Mr. Sticklen. Absent – None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

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APPROVAL OF DESTRUCTION OF CLOSED MEETING RECORDINGS 18 MONTHS AND OLDER

Board Report 6.4 sought approval to destroy closed meeting audio recordings. As part of our regular records management process, administration requested Board approval for the destruction of closed meeting recordings that are 18 months or older. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, audio recordings of closed sessions may be destroyed once they are 18 months or older with written minutes stored in a confidential file.

This approval ensures compliance with legal requirements and supports responsible management of district records.

Motion was made by Mr. McGhee, seconded by Mr. Lawton, that the Board of Education approve destruction of closed meeting audio that are 18 months or older, for which written minutes are securely maintained as confidential records.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mrs. Grove, Mr. Lawton, Mr. McGhee, Mrs. Schilling, Mrs. Khan, Mrs. Dahlke, and Mr. Sticklen. Absent – None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

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FIRST READING OF CHANGES TO POLICY

There were no first readings of changes to policy.

FOIA REPORT

There were 3 FOIA requests this month.

1. Steve Watts requested public records for all current employees.
2. Owen Wang with Lake County Gazette requested high school information.
3. Frank Patterson with Academy Research Group requested public records for all current employees.

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT

1. Mr. Sticklen discussed the SEDOL budget and hiring of a new superintendent. He mentioned an upcoming Governing Board Meeting on December 3.
2. Mrs. Grove discussed the Foundation Mini-Grant Awards and spring golf event.
3. Mr. Lawton discussed ED-RED and a potential update to SB243 and the recent kick-off event.
4. Mrs. Dahlke discussed the recent Lake Division IASB Meeting that she and other members attended.

BOARD OF EDUCATION CORRESPONDENCE

There was no Board of Education correspondence.

OTHER ITEMS

There were no other items.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mr. McGhee, seconded by Mr. Lawton that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 6:41p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Khan, Board President

Nanette Dahlke, Board Secretary