REGULAR
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
October 26, 2026, 7:00 p.m.

President Michael Lenisa called the regular meeting of the Board of Education in Bloomingdale Elementary School District 13 to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 26, 2026.

Roll Call

Present: Mr. Marcin Kapral, Mr. Eric Kowalik, Mrs. Nicole Majewski, Mr. Sam Menton, Mrs. Raffaella Spilotro, Mrs. Linda Wojcicki, Mr. Michael Lenisa

Absent:

Others Present: Dr. Vicki King, Shannon Zinner, Nicole Gabany, Valerie Varhalla, Maureen Kidd

**Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Mrs. Majewski and seconded by Mr. Menton to approve the items in the Consent Agenda which included Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on 9/28/26. Approval of Bills in the Education Fund in the amount of $185,038.94; the Operations and Maintenance Fund in the amount of $104,383.99; Debt Service in the amount of $0.00; Transportation Fund in the amount of $85,981.49; Capital Projects in the amount of $0.00; Referendum Fund in the amount of $1,414,880.39; Tort Fund in the amount of $150.00 and Health Life Safety Fund in the amount of $311,574.34; Payroll (9/25/2026) in the amount of $483,576.86 and (10/10/2026) in the amount of $556,152.48; and the Financial Reports; **Resignations/Retirements,** Vanessa Arriaza, 12 Month Secretary at DuJardin, Natalie Castro, Paraprofessional at Westfield; **Leaves**, Amanda Marino, Teacher at DuJardin.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Majewski, Menton, Kapral, Kowalik, Spilotro, Wojcicki, Lenisa

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Motion Carried: 7 – 0 – 0

## District Highlights/Presentations

Student Ambassador Report
Student Ambassadors Tara Tenneti and Emma Rojba provided the Board with updates on events that are taking place across the district including the Halloween Dance, Spirit Week and recognition as a top middle school in U.S. News and World Report at Westfield Middle School, the Jogathon, Red Ribbon Hero Week and Halloween Parade at DuJardin Elementary School, and the PTO fundraiser which raised $35,000, Family Pumpkin Night and Connection Card Surveys at Erickson Elementary School.

Performance by Westfield Drama Students
Students from Westfield Middle School's Drama program performed a scene from the fall play, 'Flimflam & The Emperor's New Cloak' that is opened to the public on November 5, 2026.

## Public Comment

None

## Superintendent-Led Committee Updates & Other Discussions

Finance Committee Updates - Ms. Varhalla showed a PowerPoint presentation that explained the levy process from start to finish, and answered questions that were raised by the Board.

Board of Education Meeting Dates - The Board reviewed the proposed dates for the upcoming board of education meetings from January - June 2027. The Board was agreeable to the dates which will each take place on the fourth Monday of each month, but requested that the meeting start times remain at 7:00 p.m. instead of changing to the proposed time of 6:00 p.m.

## Freedom of Information Act Requests

Mr. Lenisa indicated that there were two FOIA requests summarized in the Board packet.

**Action Items**

Approval of Snow Removal Contract
A motion was made by Mrs. Wojcicki and seconded by Mr. Menton to approve the Snow Removal Contract as presented.

Roll Call Vote

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| Ayes: | Wojcicki, Menton, Kapral, Kowalik, Majewski, Spilotro, Lenisa |
| Nays: | None |
| Abstained: | None |
| Motion Carried: | 7 – 0 – 0 |

**Informational Items**

Threat Assessment
Available for review in the Board packet.

NDSEC Profile
Available for review in the Board packet.

Enrollment Report
Available for review in the Board packet.

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Mr. Menton and seconded by Mrs. Wojcicki to adjourn the meeting. All ayes.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

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Michael Lenisa, President Linda Wojcicki, Secretary