LINCOLNWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT 74
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Facilities Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 15, 2026 at 6:00 PM

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Minutes of the Facilities Committee Meeting of the Board of Education of Lincolnwood School District 74, Cook County, Illinois, was held in the Marvin Garlich Administration Building 6950 N. East Prairie Road, Lincolnwood, Illinois 60712, on Tuesday, September 15, 2026.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
Chair Vranas called the Facilities Committee meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEMBERS
John P. Vranas (BOE), Chair
Myra A. Foutris, Co-Chair (BOE)
Elissa B. Rosenberg (BOE)

FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT
Emily McCall, Community Member

ADMINISTRATORS/STAFF
Dr. David L. Russo, Superintendent of Schools
Courtney L. Whited, Business Manager/CSBO
James Caldwell, Sr., Director of Buildings & Grounds

OTHERS PRESENT
Athi Toufexis, StudioGC

2. AUDIENCE TO VISITORS
None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
a. Facilities Committee Meeting Minutes - **JUNE 9, 2026**
A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the JUNE 9, 2026 Facilities Committee meeting minutes.

4. DISTRICT ARCHITECT OF RECORD - STUDIOGC architecture+interiors
a. StudioGC architecture+interiors Project(s) Update
I. StudioGC prepared a draft of Todd Hall's renovation plans.

Athi Toufexis, StudioGC, reviewed the anticipated Todd Hall floor plan. It was noted the group toilet rooms have been previously renovated, therefore, Athi shared the proposed layout for the classroom toilet rooms; she is checking on the toilet paper dispensers. The Committee discussed the echo effect in the entrance dome at Todd Hall. Unless there is a cost effective solution, the Committee recommends leaving the current conditions of the entrance.

Dr. Russo went over the anticipated floor plan and space allocations for 2027-2028 after the renovation is completed.

Athi described specific features of classroom spaces, such as Pre-K, and showed 3-D renderings of learning spaces. The Committee asked about the width of cabinet doors. Athi explained the hinges on the recommended door widths wear better over time. Athi explained 1st and 2nd grade classrooms will have an ideation wall that will help teachers keep materials organized throughout the classroom. The STEM room will be epoxy flooring and can be converted to a traditional grade level classroom if that ever becomes necessary. The Art room will add additional sinks and the Music room will have additional storage.

Two options for light fixtures were presented and an explanation provided for why pendant lighting is still needed. The Committee chose Lighting Option #1 (Axis Air Pendant) with a white housing. The Library renovation will be similar to that of the recently completed Rutledge Hall project. The Committee would like to see an acoustic panel around the top of the space. Flooring Option #1 is preferred by the Committee in the Library, the light fixtures will be LED and the Committee chose Lighting Option #1 with the same rounded housing as the classrooms for the Library. The Gymnasium flooring will be the same as Rutledge Hall, and the MPR will have similar flooring to Rutledge Hall. The Sensory rooms will be zonable; lights will dim.

The Committee asked about the electrical panels and whether they needed to be upgraded. A couple of panels will be replaced. Overall, the Committee was pleased with the renderings and the District is ready to take the project through the bidding process.

5. OLD BUSINESS
   None

6. NEW BUSINESS
   None

7. District Facilities Update

a. FY27 Facilities Rental Requests
   - LBSA - Lincolnwood Baseball & Softball Association
   - Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation
   - Girl Scout Troops: Daisies, Brownies and Jr. Girl Scouts
   - Jr. Wolves/Triumph Hoops Academy Boys' Basketball
   - iPro Soccer Academy
   - Skomor Soccer

b. 2027 IL School Maintenance Project Grant

8. ADJOURNMENT
   A motion was made, seconded, and passed to adjourn the Facilities Committee meeting at 7:03 p.m.
   The next Facilities Committee meeting will be held Tuesday, October 20, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. The public is welcome.

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John P. Vranas, Chair

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Myra A. Foutris, Co-chair