

LEMONT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 210

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting

November 17, 2025

The Board of Education of Lemont Township High School District 210, Cook and DuPage Counties, Illinois, met for its regular meeting in the Board Room on Monday, November 17, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Call to Order

President Korte called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

The following members were present: Gray, Marzec, Antonopoulos, Pocic, Kardas, and Korte.

Commencement of Closed Session

It was moved by Member Driscoll, seconded by Member Antonopoulos, that the Board of Education move into Closed Session for the purpose of:

- Personnel – appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. However, a meeting to consider an increase in compensation to a specific employee of a public body that is subject to the Local Government Wage Increase Transparency Act may not be closed and shall be open to the public and posted and held in accordance with this Act.
(5ILCS120/2(c)(1))

Upon the roll being called, the Members voted as follows:

Aye: Marzec, Driscoll, Pocic, Kardas, Gray, Antonopoulos, and Korte

Nay: None

Whereupon the President declared the motion duly carried and the Board of Education moved into Closed Session at 6:01 p.m.

Conclusion of Closed Session

It was moved by Member Antonopoulos, seconded by member Pocic, that the Closed Session be concluded.

Upon the roll being called, the Members voted as follows:

Aye: Antonopoulos, Pocic, Kardas, Gray, Marzec, Driscoll, and Korte

Nay: None

Whereupon the President declared the motion duly carried and the Board of Education concluded its Closed Session at 6:42 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Awards and Recognitions

Taylor Thorsness, Charlie Brandt, Edwin Morochin, and Lily Crowther were recognized as Student of the Month recipients for the month of November 2025. Lemont businessman, Brad Grcevic of Edward Jones Inc., on behalf of the November Students of the Month, will make a donation to the American Cancer Society.

Mr. Sommerfeld, Director of Athletics, recognized Chris Hill - 2025 South Suburban Conference Girls' Tennis Coach of the Year; Rick Prangen - 2025 South Suburban Conference Boys' Soccer Coach of the Year; Chris Zogata - 2025 South Suburban Conference Girls' Volleyball Coach of the Year, Maggie Biscan - Qualifier, 2025 IHSA Class 1A Girls' Tennis State Finals; Scott Biedess - Qualifier, 2025 IHSA Class 2A Boys' Cross Country State Finals; Joey Scott - Qualifier, 2025 IHSA Class 2A Boys' Golf State Finals; Sarah Scott - 6th Place, 2025 IHSA Class 2A Girls' Golf State Finals; Girls' Cross Country - Qualifier, 2025 IHSA Class 2A Girls' Cross Country State Finals.

Mr. Michaelson, Principal, recognized Kinga Strzalka - Perfect 36 on the ACT; Kinga Strzalka - 2025 National Merit Scholarship Semifinalist; Luke Rupert, Nick Persak - 2025 National Merit Commended Students; AP Scholars with Distinction; Illinois State Scholars; Marching Band - Finalist, 2025 Illinois State Marching Band Championships.

Representing the Board of Education, Member Gray congratulated them on their accomplishments.

The Board recessed at 7:40 p.m. and reconvened at 7:50 p.m.

Public Comment

None

Presentation

Kelly Lucio, Director of Special Education Services, shared a Special Education Update. This included current personnel statistics, information on the Southwest Cook County Cooperative Association for Special Education, our current enrollment, information on ARC, and other program highlights.

Building Administration Reports

Eric Michaelson, Principal, reported on two recent events held at Lemont High School, STEM Night and Eighth Grade Open House. STEM Night was done in partnership with District 113A and CITGO Petroleum Corporation. Eighth Grade Open House was also well-attended by parents and future LHS students. Lastly, Mike Sommerfeld, Director of Athletics, provided a report on fall sports, and Matt Doherty, Assistant Principal, provided a report on fall activities.

Ken Parchem, Chief School Business Official, submitted the financial reports as of October 31, 2025 and presented the tentative Tax Levy. He highlighted the results from the annual Health Life Safety Inspection. Lastly, he reviewed two action items, the 2026 General Remodeling Bid and the School Maintenance Grant.

Dr. Maxwell, Superintendent, mentioned School Board Member Appreciation Day, which is November 15. He reviewed the 2024-2025 School Report Card via the Illinois Interactive Report Card link, as well as highlighting the district's ISBE Summative Designation. He shared that we received the Chicago Tribune Top Workplace award for the ninth year. Lastly, he provided a presentation on enrollment history and projections.

Approval of Consent Agenda

It was moved by Member Antonopoulos, seconded by Member Pocic, that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda consisting of:

- The Minutes of Closed Session of the Regular Meeting of October 20, 2025,
- The Minutes of the Special and Closed Meeting of October 6, 2025,
- The Bills through November 17, 2025 totaling \$463,452.83,
- The Payroll in the amounts of:
 - \$684,496.18 for the period ending 10/10/2025,
 - \$677,648.30 for the period ending 10/24/2025,
 - \$ 14,518.40 for the period ending 10/24/2025.

Action Consideration #25-38: Approved the following new course to be offered during the 2026-2027 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent.

- Introduction to Athletic Performance & Sports Science

Action Consideration #25-39: Approved the Out-of-State Travel Request for Winter Guard (Marching Band), as recommended by the Superintendent.

Action Consideration #25-40: Approved the \$500 anonymous donation to the softball program, as well as the \$10,000 donation from Jane Fiala and Deborah Cornacchia to the Band Program, recommended by the Superintendent.

Upon the roll being called, the Members voted as follows:

Aye: Pocic, Kardas, Driscoll, Marzec, Antonopoulos, Gray, and Korte
Nay: None

Whereupon the President declared the motion duly carried.

Action-Considerations (Non-Personnel)

Action Consideration #25-41: It was moved by Member Driscoll, seconded by Member Kardas, that the Board approve the 2026 General Remodeling Bid, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Upon the roll being called, the Members voted as follows:

Aye: Driscoll, Kardas, Gray, Marzec, Antonopoulos, Pocic, and Korte

Nay: None

Whereupon the President declared the motion duly carried.

Action Consideration #25-42: It was moved by Member Antonopoulos, seconded by Member Gray, that the Board approve the 2025 Tentative Tax Levy, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Upon the roll being called, the Members voted as follows:

Aye: Kardas, Gray, Driscoll, Antonopoulos, Pocic, Marzec, and Korte

Nay: None

Whereupon the President declared the motion duly carried.

Action Consideration #25-43: It was moved by Member Antonopoulos, seconded by Member Pocic, that the Board approve the ISBE School Maintenance Project Grant Application, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Upon the roll being called, the Members voted as follows:

Aye: Gray, Marzec, Antonopoulos, Pocic, Driscoll, Kardas, and Korte.

Nay: None

Whereupon the President declared the motion duly carried.

Information Items

#25-08 FOIAs

#25-09 School Report Card 2024-2025

Action Considerations (Personnel)

Action Consideration #25-44: It was moved by Member Marzec, seconded by Member Antonopoulos, that the Board approve the Personnel Consent Agenda.

NON-CERTIFIED:

1. RESIGNATION:

Nicole Kristopaitis, Paraeducator, effective October 27, 2025.

Colleen Kulaga, Attendance Secretary, effective November 28, 2025.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR:

1. HIRE:

Nick Graffagna, Accompanist for the Winter Play, with a stipend of \$800.*

***Contingent upon successful completion of all required documents and background checks.**

Upon the roll being called, the Members voted as follows:

Aye: Marzec, Driscoll, Pocic, Kardas, Gray, Antonopoulos, and Korte

Nay: None

Whereupon the President declared the motion duly carried.

Adjournment

It was moved by Member Gray, seconded by Member Driscoll, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

Upon the roll being called, the Members voted as follows:

Aye: Antonopoulos, Pocic, Kardas, Gray, Marzec, Driscoll, and Korte

Nay: None

Whereupon the President declared the motion duly carried, and the November 17, 2025 regular meeting of the Board of Education adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Attest:

Kurt Korte, President
Board of Education

Michael J. Kardas, Sr., Secretary
Board of Education

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The Lemont Township High School District 210 Board of Education, Cook and DuPage Counties, Illinois, met in room N113

Commencement: It was moved by Member Driscoll, seconded by Member Antonopoulos, to go into Closed Session at 6:01 p.m. Closed Session was audio recorded.

Members Present: Kurt Korte, President
Lynn Antonopoulos, Vice President
Mike Kardas, Secretary
Pam Driscoll
Gary Gray
Beverly Marzec
Sarah Pocic

Absent:

Administration Present: Dr. Matt Maxwell
Eric Michaelson
Ken Parchem

Others Present:

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Conclusion:

It was moved by Member Antonopoulos, seconded by Member Pocic, to conclude the Closed Session at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kurt Korte, President
Board of Education

Michael J. Kardas, Sr., Secretary
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