

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting Administration Building 6:00 p.m. – 8:45 p.m. March 19, 2025

Members Present:

Tarryne Marchione (Presiding Officer)
Bill Brockob (arrived at 6:55 PM)
Charles Zona
Mary Lenzen
Becky Walters
Sean Mason
Jason Nash

ROLL CALL AND VISITORS

Present with Superintendent Dave Palzet were staff members Griffin Sonntag, John McAtee, Jeanine Arundel, Sara Poplawski, Jennifer Ban, and Board Recording Secretary Jenni Weiler. Students in attendance were Quinn Waddell, Sidney Welbourne, Lilly Zona, Lauren Cabana, Vivi Kass, Emily Wesolowski, and Gloria Hearn, along with several of their parents. Community members in attendance were Mr. Arra, Mrs. Arra, Mr. Lisowski, Mrs. Lisowski, and Mr. Mirabile.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was recited by students who participated in this year's Battle of the Books competition. They include Quinn Waddell, Sidney Welbourne, Lilly Zona, Lauren Cabana, Vivi Kass, Emily Wesolowski, and Gloria Hern.

OPEN FORUM

Mr. Arra and Mr. Mirabile addressed the Board about the potential purchase of the Burr Ridge Village Hall.

ACTION NO. 24 Consent Agenda

Motion by Lenzen, second by Walters, that the Board of Education approve the consent agenda as presented consisting of meeting minutes of the February 19, 2025 regular meeting; payment of February payroll/March warrants; March 2025 Personnel Report; Pleasant Dale Park District Before and After School Program Intergovernmental Agreement; Resolution of Proposed Amendments to the DWC Intergovernmental Agreement; Governance and Planning (sec. 1) and General Administration (sec. 3) Board Policies. Motion Lenzen, second Walters carried by a roll call of 6 ayes (Walters, Mason, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen, and Nash. Absent Brockob).

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Approve Resolution in Support of the Invest In Cook Grant Application

As part of the District's Strategic Road Map, the District looks to partner with our villages and other government agencies to construct additional sidewalks and safe routes to school. The Board passed a resolution supporting the Village of Burr Ridge, with support from the Village of Willow Springs, to apply for an Invest in

Cook grant. If awarded, the grant will provide funds for the initial study of sidewalk expansions along German Church Road from County Line Road to Wolf Road.

ACTION NO. 25
Resolution in
Support of the
Invest in Cook
Grant Application

Approve a Resolution supporting the Village of Burr Ridge Invest in Cook grant application. Motion Lenzen, second Walters carried by a roll call of 6 ayes (Walters, Mason, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen, and Nash. Absent Brockob).

Approve Solar Power Purchase Agreement with IGS Solar, LLC

As part of the District's solar power project at the middle school, the Board approved the Solar Power Purchase agreement with IGS Solar.

ACTION NO. 26
Solar Power
Purchase
Agreement with
IGS Solar, LLC

To approve the IGS Solar Power Purchase Agreement and to authorize the Superintendent, or designee, to execute on behalf of the Board of Education, subject to approval by the Superintendent and board legal counsel of any further revisions prior to execution. Motion Lenzen, second Nash carried by a roll call of 6 ayes (Walters, Mason, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen, and Nash. Absent Brockob).

Approve Rooftop Site Lease Agreement with IGS Solar, LLC

As part of the District's solar power project at the middle school, the Board approved the Rooftop Lease Agreement with IGS Solar, LLC.

ACTION NO. 27
Rooftop Lease
Agreement with
IGS Solar, LLC

To approve the Solar Rooftop Site Lease Agreement and to Authorize the Superintendent or designee, to execute on behalf of the Board of Education, subject to the approval by the Superintendent and board legal counsel of any further revisions prior to execution. Motion Walters, second Lenzen carried by a roll call of 6 ayes (Walters, Mason, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen, and Nash. Absent Brockob).

Discussion of the Community Forum held on March 10, 2025

The Board reviewed the information gleaned from the community forum held at the middle school on March 10, 2025. The topic of the discussion was whether or not to move forward with a purchase and renovation of the Burr Ridge Village Hall, which would be converted into an early childhood center. The Board determined there was not support to move the proposal forward and directed the administration to develop additional options.

Professional Learning Update

Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning Dr. Jennifer Ban updated the Board on the district's professional learning plan. This year, 49 teachers attended workshops or conferences, 12 participated in our PD (professional development) Pathways program, and three engaged in an instructional coaching cycle. Professional development topics this year included supporting neurodivergent learners, executive functioning, de-escalation training, and state-mandated training.

Lyons Township Treasurer's Office Membership Update

On August 9, 2024, the Governor signed Public Act 103-0790 into law. Among other things, this new law gives Township Treasurer's Office member districts more control over their membership in the office. Assistant Superintendent for Finance and

Operations Griffin Sonntag has shared recommendations and plans for the District to exit the Treasurer's office.

Review Board Policy 7:180

To comply with state reporting laws, Board Policy 7:180 has been amended to include a 24-hour parent reporting component and notification that Policy 7:180 is available on the District's Internet website.

Items for Next Agenda

Facilities Development, Freshman Preparedness Report, Final Staffing Recommendations, Summer Facilities Projects Update, Service Contract Approvals, Swearing in of Board Members, Board Reorganization, Review Board Meeting Calendar (May 2025-April 2027)

OPEN FORUM

Mr. Arra addressed the Board about life/safety projects

WRITTEN
REPORTS

FOIA: The District received two Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests.

- Fred Whiting, requesting copies of communications between West 40 ISC and representatives of D107 regarding an additional facility.
- Sheri Reid with SmartProcure requesting general purchasing records from 12/6/2023 to 3/5/2025.

ACTION NO. 28

Closed Session

Motioned by Lenzen, second by Walters that the Board move into closed session at 7:13 PM. Motion carried by a roll call of 7 ayes (Brockob, Zona, Lenzen, Marchione, Walters, Mason, and Nash).

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Lenzen, second by Brockob, that the regular meeting adjourns at 8:45 p.m. Voice vote. Motion carried.

App. __ President _____ Secretary _____