

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting      Administration Building      6:00 p.m. – 10:21 p.m.      April 16, 2025

### Members Present:

Tarryne Marchione (Presiding Officer)

Bill Brockob

Charles Zona

Mary Lenzen

Becky Walters

Sean Mason

Jason Nash

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### ROLL CALL AND VISITORS

Present with Superintendent Dave Palzet were staff members Griffin Sonntag, James Mukite, Jeanine Arundel, Sara Poplawski, Kathleen Tomei, Jennifer Ban, Maura Raleigh, and Board Recording Secretary Jenni Weiler. Students in attendance were Kelsey Brockob, Owen Neddermeyer, Abby Ryan, Kaia Puskorius, and Emily Gierut, along with their parents. Community members in attendance were Mr. Arra and Mr. Lisowski.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was recited by our middle school School Citizen of the Year (SCOTY) winner, Kelsey Brockob.

### OPEN FORUM

Mr. Arra addressed the Board about video recording meetings. Students Abby Ryan, Kaia Puskorius, Emily Gierut, and Owen Neddermeyer addressed the Board about changes to sixth-grade recess.

### ACTION NO. 29

Accept the Results  
of the April 1, 2025  
Municipal Election

The Board of Education accepted the April 1, 2025, municipal election results. Board members Mary Lenzen, Tarryne Marchione, Sean Mason, and Becky Walters took the oath of office and were seated for their four-year term. Motion Lenzen, second Brockob carried by a roll call of 7 ayes (Walters, Mason, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen, Nash, and Brockob).

### ACTION NO. 30

Elect President  
Pro Tempore

The Board of Education elected Dave Palzet to serve as President Pro Tempore to preside over the election of the Board president. Motion Lenzen, seconded by Brockob, carried by a roll call of 7 ayes (Walters, Mason, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen, Nash, and Brockob).

### ACTION NO. 31

Election of  
President

Tarryne Marchione was nominated and elected to the role of Board President. Motion by Lenzen, seconded by Brockob, carried by a roll call of 7 ayes (Walters, Mason, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen, Nash, and Brockob).

#### ACTION NO. 32

Election of  
Vice-President

Becky Walters was nominated and elected to the role of Board Vice-President. Motion Lenzen, seconded by Brockob, carried by a roll call of 7 ayes (Walters, Mason, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen, Nash, and Brockob).

#### ACTION NO. 33

Election of  
Board Secretary

Mary Lenzen was nominated and elected to the role of Board Secretary. Motion Walters, seconded by Brockob, carried by a roll call of 7 ayes (Walters, Mason, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen, Nash, and Brockob).

#### ACTION NO. 34

Board Meeting  
Dates and Location

The Board established the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 PM in the District Office as the regular date, time, and location of Board meetings for the next two years. The Board noted that the August meetings will be a week earlier to accommodate the required public viewing of the District Budget and the December meeting would be a week earlier to accommodate the holidays. Motion Lenzen, seconded by Brockob, carried by a roll call of 7 ayes (Walters, Mason, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen, Nash, and Brockob).

#### ACTION NO. 35

Election of IASB  
Representative

Bill Brockob was nominated and elected to serve as the Board's representative for the Illinois Association of School Boards. Motion Lenzen, seconded by Walters, carried by a roll call of 7 ayes (Walters, Mason, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen, Nash, and Brockob).

#### ACTION NO. 36

Consent Agenda

Motion by Lenzen, second by Brockob, that the Board of Education approve the consent agenda as presented consisting of: meeting minutes of the March 19, 2025 regular meeting; meeting minutes of the closed session meeting minutes of March 19, 2025; payment of March payroll/April warrants; Final Staffing Recommendations; and Auditing Services FY25 - FY29. Motion Lenzen, second Brockob carried by a roll call of 7 ayes (Walters, Mason, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen, and Nash, and Brockob).

#### ACTION NO. 37

LTTO Resolution

The Board passed a resolution allowing Pleasantdale 107 to withdraw from the Lyons Township Treasurer's Office jurisdiction and appoint a school treasurer. Motion Brockob, second Lenzen carried by a roll call of 7 ayes (Walters, Mason, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen, and Nash, and Brockob).

#### REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

*Superintendent's Advisory Team Meeting: Facilities*

Board members, Bill Brockob and Becky Walters, provided the Board with an update of the Facilities Advisory Team meeting held on April 7, 2025. An update on projects from last summer was discussed and plans for this upcoming summer were shared.

#### Summer Facilities Projects

The Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations provided the Board with a detailed update on the projects slated for this summer and projected projects. A sample of these projects includes safety updates, phase one gym refresh at PES and PMS (south gym), and phase one bathroom improvements.

#### Facilities Development

The Board discussed ways to address identified issues while at the same time improving programs and outcomes for students. The Board reviewed and reaffirmed the four main working priorities (see bulleted list). The Board directed the administration to develop and present plans to address these priorities while also recommending ways to improve programs at both schools.

- Enhance the safety and security of our schools.
- Address space issues now and in the future and provide adequate spaces for all academic and supportive programs.
- Expand early childhood opportunities to allow for full-day preschool and address the preschool waitlist.
- Provide a developmentally appropriate school experience for our fifth-grade students by housing them at Pleasantdale Elementary School.

#### Freshman Preparedness Report

This year, the LTHS class of 2028 completed a survey on how well-prepared they felt they were for the rigors of high school. Dr. Palzet presented this information and an overview of our graduates' first-semester grades. Our graduates rate themselves high, with over 90% of students rating themselves as either "great" or "good" when asked how well prepared they are for the academics of high school. Likewise, most of our students earned As and Bs in their core classes.

#### OPEN FORUM

Mr. Arra addressed the Board about the middle school play area.

#### WRITTEN REPORTS

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

- Patricia Davis requested documents of correspondence and discussions regarding acquiring the Burr Ridge Village Hall.
- Melissa Hall requested the current employment contract for the district Superintendent.
- An unknown person from the email address ad.cuius.bonum@proton.me submitted ten requests for financial data from 25 years of financial records.
- Keith Bailey, from the West Lake Shore Unit of the Illinois Retired Teachers Association requested the names and email addresses of teachers retiring in 2025.

#### ACTION NO. 38

Closed Session        Motioned by Lenzen, second by Brockob that the Board move into closed session at 7:46 p.m. 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 10:21 p.m. Voice vote. Motion carried.

App. \_\_ President \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary \_\_\_\_\_