

LYONS TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 204
 BOARD OF EDUCATION
 MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
 BOARD-CONFERENCE ROOM
 MONDAY, MAY 15, 2017
 6:30 p.m.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

PRESENT

ABSENT

Mr. Thomas W. Cushing, President	<u>X</u>	—
Mr. George R. Dougherty, Vice President	<u>X</u>	—
Mr. Philip Palmer, Secretary	<u>X</u>	—
Mrs. Molly Murphy Bruton	<u>X</u>	—
Mrs. Jessica McLean	—	<u>X</u>
Dr. John T. Polacek	<u>X</u>	—
Ms. Barbara J. Rosinsky	<u>X</u>	—
Mr. J.P. Remijas (arrived 7:30 p.m.)	<u>X</u>	—

STAFF PRESENT

Dr. Timothy Kilrea	Ms. Joyce Marine	Mr. Brian Stachacz
Mr. Ed Piotrowski	Dr. Brian Waterman	Mr. Scott Eggerding
Ms. Jennifer Bialobok	Mr. Ed Tennant	Mr. Kevin Brown
Ms. Therese Nelson	Ms. Marie Gillespie	Mr. Joseph Maffey
Ms. Katie Smith	Ms. Kris Costopoulos	Ms. Lisa Dombro
Mr. Ish Zamora	Ms. Jeanne Widing	

VISITORS PRESENT

No one signed in.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Cushing called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ACTION NO. 1: Agenda Approval/Order of Buisness

Dr. Polacek moved, seconded by Ms. Rosinsky, to approve the agenda as presented.

By unanimous voice vote, the motion was adopted.

ACTION NO. 2: Adjournment into Closed Session

Dr. Polacek moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruton, to adjourn the meeting into Closed Session to discuss collective negotiation matters or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees and pending or probable litigation against, affecting or on behalf of the public body.

On roll call:

Ayes: Ms. Rosinsky, Mrs. Bruton, Dr. Polacek, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Dougherty, Mr. Cushing
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mrs. McLean

The motion was adopted, and at 6:34 p.m., Mr. Cushing adjourned the meeting into Closed Session.

At 7:34 p.m., the meeting reconvened in Open Session with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Cushing expressed gratitude to the ParaEducators' Association and Co-Presidents Maria Rohloff and Mary Ann Rivera for providing treats for tonight's Board meeting.

OPEN SESSION – COMMUNICATIONS

Faculty Association President Marie Gillespie spoke of “wrapping up” another great year and then introduced members present from our largest division, Math/Science: Dave Stormont, Joe Barker, Bob Sherman, Brian Keller, Ish Zamora, Callie Pogge, Carol Promisel, Annette Orrico, Anna Park, Rebecca Baudler, Eric Bjornstad and Laura VanWinkle. Highlights of the division were also described.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

J.P. Remijas was pleased to report that AP testing was completed except for make-ups. He also noted that Student Council is already making plans for Homecoming, since it is scheduled for early in the next school year. Mr. Remijas acknowledged a great Eurythmics show and congratulated boys' gymnastics for placing second in state. Last, Mr. Remijas thanked the Board, Dr. Kilrea and administrators for the opportunity to serve as the Student Board Representative, saying it gave him a good understanding of everything that is provided to the students.

Mr. Cushing thanked Mr. Remijas for the time and energy he contributed as this year's Student Representative. The other Board members also praised Mr. Remijas for his thorough reports and insightful comments.

SUPERINTENDENT'S DISTRICT REPORT

Dr. Kilrea was pleased to recognize three students—senior Courtney Lewis and juniors Alex Dolgner and Charlotte Trecartin—who play a vital role and represent LT on the Coalition for a Drug-Free Lyons Township. Assistant Principal Kris Costopoulos, also a member, described the coalition's mission to educate our youth, parents and community about the dangers of drug use. She added that the three students personify sound character and integrity and have been part of the Drug-Free Coalition since the beginning of this school year. On behalf of the Board of Education, Mr. Cushing presented each student with a Certificate of Recognition.

Next, Dr. Kilrea noted that tonight is J.P. Remijas' last meeting as 2016-2017 Student Representative to the Board of Education. Dr. Kilrea expressed appreciation for J.P.'s time and effort in working with the Board, for his honest input and positive outlook, for being the students' voice while at the Board table and

for his passion for LT. Dr. Kilrea wished J.P. luck next year at the University of Wisconsin. After Mr. Remijas introduced his parents, Mr. Cushing presented him with a plaque from the Illinois Association of School Boards.

Dr. Kilrea then introduced the 2017-2018 Student Representative to the Board of Education, current junior Charlotte Trecartin, noting that Charlotte will be the 19th student to serve in this position. Selected from a talented group of student applicants, Charlotte is very involved both inside and outside of LT. She serves as secretary of the LTCAC and is also on Speech Team, Interact Club, Cheerleading, Future Healthcare Professionals and the Coalition for a Drug-Free Lyons Township. She also volunteers for a number of outside organizations. Charlotte's first official school board meeting will be in August.

After reporting that two FOIA requests have been received since the April meeting, Dr. Kilrea provided an update on the Township Treasurer's Office, saying that the FY16 TTO invoice is \$322,352, a staggering amount. Dr. Kilrea explained that the District has not utilized accounting and payroll services from the TTO for decades and that the increase in the invoices is largely due to huge legal fees. Upon further reviewing the invoice, a recommendation to the full Board will be made at a later meeting regarding partial payment of the TTO bill. Additionally, House Minority Leader Jim Durkin has filed HB 4047 that seeks to remove LT and Districts 101, 102, 105, 106, 107 and LADSE from the auspices of the TTO. Last, Dr. Kilrea reminded the Board that both his letters to the TTO, dated March 22, 2017 and April 21, 2017, requesting information about investments and financial statements have gone unanswered.

Prior to completing his report and introducing LTCAC Co-Chair Susan McMahon to present the latest LTCAC consensus, Dr. Kilrea announced that the Sophomore Honors Assembly is this Thursday and the Senior Honors Ceremony and Senior Brunch are Friday, May 26. Dr. Kilrea also thanked Marie Gillespie for her balanced and professional presentations at each Board meeting. Although Ms. Gillespie has one more Board meeting before the end of her two-year term as Faculty Association President, Dr. Kilrea wanted to acknowledge his gratitude in front of her peers.

April 19, 2017 Lyons Township Community Advisory Council Meeting Consensus

Ms. McMahon reviewed the consensus feedback from the April LTCAC meeting, which addressed unique learning experiences offered at LT: Business Professionals of America (BPA), athletic trainers and American Sign Language.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ACTION NO. 3: Additional 2017-2018 Textbook/Instructional Material Change Requests

Mr. Dougherty moved, seconded by Ms. Rosinsky, to approve the additional 2017-2018 textbook requests, as presented.

On roll call:

Ayes: Mr. Palmer, Mr. Dougherty, Dr. Polacek, Mrs. Bruton, Ms. Rosinsky, Mr. Cushing
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mrs. McLean

The motion was adopted.

The textbooks will be used in the Geometry, Scuba, American Sign Language, Accounting and PC Repair curriculums.

ACTION NO. 4: Final Capital Outlay Requets for FY18 Budget

Mr. Palmer moved, seconded by Dr. Polacek, to approve the “Final Recommended Capital Outlay Requests for FY18,” as presented.

On roll call:

Ayes: Dr. Polacek, Ms. Rosinsky, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Dougherty, Mrs. Bruton, Mr. Cushing
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mrs. McLean

The motion was adopted.

This evening’s approval of \$441,061, along with the \$159,243 in capital expenditures approved in April and the anticipated cost of the contract to replace copiers (to be approved in June), brings the estimated capital outlay requests for the Education Fund and O&M Fund to \$720,304.

NEW BUSINESS

ACTION NO. 5: Bennett Field Turf Replacement Project Change Order #1

Dr. Polacek moved, seconded by Mr. Palmer, to approve the Bennett Field turf replacement project change order #1 in the amount of \$14,663.65.

On roll call:

Ayes: Mr. Dougherty, Dr. Polacek, Mr. Palmer, Mrs. Bruton, Ms. Rosinsky, Mr. Cushing
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mrs. McLean

The motion was adopted.

This change order includes the cost of installing additional turf and two LT logos.

School Board Calendar for June 2017

The Board scheduled committee meeting dates for June.

ACTION NO. 6: Approval of Consent Agenda

After pulling Consent Agenda item F but reserving the option to consider Board action for that item subsequent to the second Closed Session, Mr. Dougherty moved, seconded by Ms. Rosinsky, to approve the remaining Consent Agenda items as presented.

LTHS Monthly Financials

Approval of Lyons Township High School monthly bills in the amount of \$5,745,796.35

Approval of Lyons Township High School financial statements for the month ending April 30, 2017.

LADSE Financials

Approval of LaGrange Area Department of Special Education monthly bills in the amount of \$1,755,531.61.

Approval of LaGrange Area Department of Special Education financial statements for the month ending April 30, 2017.

HUMAN RESOURCES

**LTHS Buildings and Grounds, Classified/Non-Contractual, and ParaEducator
Staff Employment Recommendations**

Reassignment

Alyson Riccione, from Administrative Assistant to the Assistant Principal to the Administrative Assistant to the Director of Human Resources for Non-Certified Staff, effective July 1, 2017.

Leaves of Absence

Lino Davello, Groundskeeper, effective April 13, 2017 through July 6, 2017.

Patricia Durkin, ParaEducator, effective April 4, 2017 through approximately May 9, 2017.

Joseph Pepitone, ParaEducator, effective May 8, 2017 through May 22, 2017.

Retirement

Laurie McAndrews, Substitute Coordinator, effective April 30, 2017.

Resignation

Jennifer DiSessa, ParaEducator, effective June 1, 2017.

LTHS Administrative and Certified Staff Employment Recommendations

Reemployment

Shannon Donahue, Social Studies, 1.0 FTE, effective August 17, 2017.

Jillian Keeve, Mathematics, 0.7 FTE, effective August 17, 2017.

Samantha Zavala, Alternative, 0.8 FTE, effective August 17, 2017.

Reassignments

Andrew Newcomb, Global Studies, Reassignment from Assistant Division Chair to 1.0 FTE teacher, effective August 17, 2017.

Leslie Owens, Special Education Assistant Division Chair, effective August 17, 2017.

Leaves of Absence

Jaelyn Boskovich, Special Education, October 2, 2017 through December 22, 2017.

Kathryn Meyer, Mathematics, September 22, 2017 through December 20, 2017.

Resignation

Erica Granada, Special Education, effective June 2, 2017.

LADSE Staff Employment Recommendations

Employment

Katerina Patras, 1.0 ParaEducator, effective April 17, 2017.

Resignations

Danielle Drumm, 1.0 ED Teacher, effective end of 16/17 school year.

Sidney White, 1.0 ParaEducator, effective April 12, 2017.

Madeline Sawyer, 1.0 MN Teacher, effective end of 16/17 school year.

Irene Stefja, 1.0 ParaEducator, effective March 24, 2017.

Linda Michels, 1.0 Human Resources Assistant, effective May 19, 2017.

Minutes:

Regular Meeting – Open and Closed Sessions – April 17, 2017
Special Meeting: Board Reorganization – Open and Closed Sessions - May 1, 2017
Facilities Committee – May 8, 2017
Finance Committee – May 8, 2017
Curriculum Committee – May 9, 2017
Human Resources Committee – May 9, 2017

2017 (Unofficial) Graduates

Student Overnight Travel

1. **Latin Language Trip to Italy**, March 2018

Donations

1. **Grand Piano to Choral Program** by Mr. James Thomason & Ms. Jennifer Thomason

Final Amended 2016-2017 School-Year Calendar for Unused Emergency Days

On roll call:

Ayes: Mr. Dougherty, Dr. Polacek, Mrs. Bruton, Ms. Rosinsky, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Cushing
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mrs. McLean

The motion was adopted.

ACTION NO. 7: Adjournment into Closed Session

Mr. Dougherty moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruton, to adjourn the meeting into Closed Session to discuss collective negotiation matters or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.

On roll call:

Ayes: Mrs. Bruton, Mr. Palmer, Ms. Rosinsky, Dr. Polacek, Mr. Dougherty, Mr. Cushing
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mrs. McLean

The motion was adopted and at 8:21 p.m., Mr. Cushing adjourned the meeting into Closed Session.

At 8:45 p.m., the meeting reconvened in Open Session.

OPEN SESSION

ACTION NO. 8: 2017-2018 Salaries

Dr. Polacek moved, seconded by Mr. Dougherty, to approve the salary recommendations for 2017-2018 for the following employee groups: administrators – overall 2.6% increase; classified/non-contractual supervisors – 2.5% average increase; and classified/non-contractual employees – 3.0%.

On roll call:

Ayes: Mr. Palmer, Mr. Dougherty, Dr. Polacek, Mrs. Bruton, Ms. Rosinsky, Mr. Cushing
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mrs. McLean

The motion was adopted.

ACTION NO. 9: Adjournment

Mrs. Bruton moved, seconded by Mr. Dougherty, to adjourn the meeting.

By unanimous voice vote, the motion was adopted and the meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

President:

Secretary: