

March 26, 2025 Regular School Board Meeting Minutes

Minutes
Lostant Community Unit School District #425
Thursday,
March 26, 2025
5:30 p.m. FY 25 Regular Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL – REGULAR MEETING

Greg Ruff, B.O.E. President, called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Present: Chambers, Kozak, Ruff, Cooper, Lawless, Mertel, and Wiesbrock.

Present via Zoom: None

Present via Telephone: None

Absent:

Recording Secretary: Bob Ketcham, Superintendent

Audience Members: Courtney Kobuchar, Dr. Sandra Malahy, Missy Einhaus

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE/RECOGNITION

Holli Rapp was recognized for donating \$40 to LGS so that 8th grade students could attend the TGS 8th grade trip.

Lily Mertel was recognized for being nominated as ROE 35 student of the month.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

ACTION ITEM

A motion by Lawless and seconded by Mertel to approve the March 26 agenda.

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Kozak, Cooper, Lawless, Mertel, Wiesbrock. Aye: 7; Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

5.1 Approve minutes from the February Regular Board Meeting, and Executive Session.

5.2 Approve the Treasurer's Report.

5.3 Approve Activity Account Report.

5.4 Approve Imprest Account Report.

5.5 Approve \$40,797 for March Disbursements.

5.6 Approve February 2025 Payroll.

5.7 February FOIA: Michael Rost Founder/CEO of Allium Data requesting copies of our current property and casualty insurance policies. Request responded to.

ACTION ITEM

A motion by Wiesbrock and seconded by Chambers to approve the consent agenda.

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Kozak, Cooper, Lawless, Mertel, Wiesbrock. Aye: 7; Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

6. FINANCIAL REPORT

6.1 Fund Activity

The district is 67% through the school year. Revenues are 97.53 % and Expenditures are 71.43%.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>
10	Education	96.52 %	70.94 %
20	Operation & Maintenance	126.02%	71.93 %
30	Debt	100.89%	93.66 %
40	Transportation	70.41 %	60.01 %
50	Social Security & IMRF	96.31 %	61.83 %
60	Capital Projects	0.00%	0.00%
70	Working Cash	100.89 %	0.00%
80	Tort	100.94%	60.35 %
90	Fire / Health Life Safety	101.05 %	0.00%
	Total	97.53 %	71.43 %

ACTION ITEM

A motion by Chambers and seconded by Kozak to approve the financial report.

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Kozak, Cooper, Lawless, Mertel, Wiesbrock. Aye: 7; Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

No Discussion

6.2 Fund Transfers

Transfer of money from NOW account to Hi-Fi account.

Budgeted amounts paid out of FUND 80

7. REPORTS, UPDATES, AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

7.1 Principal's Report

Mrs. Klobucher commented on key areas of her report such as attendance, state testing, literacy night, comets-convo, SEL, as well as brought some social studies curriculum samples for the board to review.

7.2 Athletic Director's Report

No questions.

7.3 Employee Reports

Nothing this month.

7.4 PTO Report

Nothing this month.

7.5 Facility Usage

Nothing this month.

7.6 Committee Reports

Nothing this month

8. Action Items:

9.1 CD 855221

ACTION ITEM

A motion by Cooper and seconded by Lawless to approve the renewal of CD 855221

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Kozak, Cooper, Lawless, Mertel, Wiesbrock. Aye: 7; Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

9.2 Athletic Co-Op IGA Addendum

ACTION ITEM

A motion by Cooper and seconded by Wiesbrock to approve the Athletic Co-Op IGA Addendum.

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Kozak, Cooper, Lawless, Mertel, Wiesbrock. Aye: 7; Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion by Lawless and seconded by Mertel to adjourn to closed meeting at 6:27 pm to discuss:
Ayes 7-0.

The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

A motion by Wiesbrock and seconded by Lawless to reconvene into open session at 7:39 pm. Roll call.
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10. ACTION ITEMS AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:

10.1 ACTION ITEM

A motion by Chambers and seconded by Kozak to approve the March personnel report.

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Kozak, Cooper, Lawless, Mertel, Wiesbrock. Aye: 7; Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

10.2 ACTION ITEM

A motion by Lawless and seconded by Wiesbrock to approve the addendum to the Superintendent's contract.

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Kozak, Cooper, Lawless, Mertel, Wiesbrock. Aye: 7; Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

10.3 ACTION ITEM

A motion by Mertel and seconded by Chambers to approve the Professional Development Administrator's contract for the 2025-2026 school year.

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Kozak, Cooper, Lawless, Mertel, Wiesbrock. Aye: 7; Nay: None.

Abstain: Ruff

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Motion passes.

11. DIRECT SUPERINTENDENT TO REPORT TO BOARD

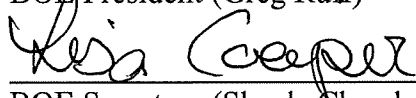
Follow up with Dan Mercer regarding a 3 year contract instead of a 5 year contract.

12. ADJOURN

A motion by Lawless and seconded by Cooper to adjourn at 7:42 pm
Ayes 7-0.



BOE President (Greg Ruff)



BOE Secretary (Shayla Chambers)
LISA COOPER

4-30-25

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