

November 19, 2024 Regular School Board Meeting Minutes

Minutes  
Lostant Community Unit School District #425  
Wednesday,  
November 19, 2024  
5:30 p.m. FY 24 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 (arrived 5:53 pm), Wiesbrock, Ruff, and Mertel

Present via Zoom: None

Present via Telephone: None

Absent: Lawless, Cooper

Recording Secretary: Bob Ketcham, Superintendent

Audience Members: Courtney Kobuchar, Dr. Sandra Malahy

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**4. CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**5. RECOGNITION**

LGS Staff and Administration who played a role in helping to achieve “exemplary” status.

**6. AMENDED AGENDA**

6.1 Motion to approve the amended agenda.

**ACTION ITEM**

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

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Mertel, Kozak, Wiesbrock. Aye: 5; Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

**7.1** Approve minutes from the October Regular Board Meeting, and Executive Session.

**7.2** Approve Treasurer’s Report.

**7.3** Approve Activity Account Report.

**7.4** Approve Imprest Account Report.

**7.5** Approve \$37,002.11 for November Disbursements.

**7.6** Approve November 2024 Payroll.

**7.7** FOIA - Brent Williams; Midwest Region Foundation for Fair Contracting, Inc; Request responded to

No Discussion

**ACTION ITEM**

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

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Mertel, Kozak, Wiesbrock. Aye: 5; Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

## 8. FINANCIAL REPORT

### 8.1 Fund Activity

The district is 33% through the school year. Revenues are 87.09% and Expenditures are 40.92%.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>
10	Education	85.42%	39.29%
20	Operation & Maintenance	98.96%	28.57%
30	Debt	98.93%	93.66%
40	Transportation	57.99%	23.57%
50	Social Security & IMRF	92.45%	29.59%
60	Capital Projects	0.00%	0.00%
70	Working Cash	98.96%	0.00%
80	Tort	98.67%	26.19%
90	Fire / Health Life Safety	98.21%	0.00%
	Total	87.09%	40.92%

### ACTION ITEM

A motion by Mertel and seconded by Wiesbrock to approve the financial report.

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Mertel, Kozak, Wiesbrock. Aye: 5; Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

No Discussion

### 7.2 Fund Transfers

Nothing This Month.

## 9. REPORTS, UPDATES, AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

### 9.1 Principal's Report

Mrs. Klobuchar wanted to make sure the board could view the Amy Graham presentation and commented that the presentation went well. Mrs. Klobuchar has been in touch with a local district regarding our virtual math class and the rise program. Mrs. Chambers and Mr. Mertel both commented how pleased they were with how the ivsa math class was going.

### 9.2 Athletic Director's Report

No discussion

### 9.3 Employee Reports

Nothing this month.

### 9.4 PTO Report

Nothing this month.

### 9.5 Facility Usage

Nothing this month..

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### **10. Committee Reports**

#### 10.1 Finance

No meeting this month.

#### 10.2 Negotiations

No meeting this month.

#### 10.3 Safety

No meeting this month.

#### 10.4 Closed Session Minutes

No Discussion

### **11. Legislative Update:**

Nothing This month

### **12. Other:**

12.1 FY 24 Tentative Tax Levy - Mr. Ketcham provided a copy of the tentative tax levy. He stated that overall, it was pretty similar to last year. Discussion included

12.2 First Reading of IASB Policy Update 117 - Mr. Ketcham provided a copy of this for the board to do a first reading of it. Mr. Ketcham said that the updates are mainly language based. He said that the new language is in green and the old language is stricken and in red.

12.3 Illinois Public Fund Risk Fund - Mr. Ketcham mentioned that since we had no workman's comp claims that we received a \$937 Grant to be used for safety and educational programs.

12.4 CD Renewal - Mr. Ketcham explained that we have a CD that is coming due on December 15, 2024. He recommended that the board roll it over at the current rate for another 12 month term.

### **13. Old Business:**

Nothing this month

### **14. New Business:**

14.1 FY 25 School Maintenance Grant

#### **ACTION ITEM**

A motion by Kozak and seconded by Chambers to approve the FY 25 School Maintenance Grant Work Items as presented with possible edits.

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Mertel, Kozak, Wiesbrock. Aye: 5; Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

14.2 Operating Funds Reduction Plan

#### **ACTION ITEM**

A motion by Chambers and seconded by Wiesbrock to approve the Operating Fund Reduction Plan

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Mertel, Kozak, Wiesbrock. Aye: 5; Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

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### 14.2 PaCE Framework

#### **ACTION ITEM**

A motion by Wiesbrock and seconded by Chambers to approve the adoption of PaCE Frameworks.

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Mertel, Kozak, Wiesbrock. Aye: 5; Nay: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

### **15. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion by Chambers and seconded by Kozak to adjourn to closed meeting at 6:26 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).

14.1 Employment of Salina Breckenridge as Asst. Volleyball Coach

14.2 Employment of Holli Rapp as Head Volleyball Coach

14.3 Employment of Andrea Thompson as Scholastic Bowl Coach

14.4 Employment of Eric Skinner as Bowling Coach

14.5 Employment of Nicole Fundell as Boys Track Coach

14.6 Employment of Holli Rapp as Girls Track Coach

A motion by Wiesbrock and seconded by Kozak to reconvene into open session at 6:30 pm. Roll call. 7-0

### **16. ACTION ITEMS AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

A motion by Wiesbrock and seconded by Chambers to approve the employment of Salina Breckenridge as Asst. Volleyball Coach

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Mertel, Kozak, Wiesbrock. Aye: 5; Nay: None.

Abstain: None. Motion passes.

A motion by Ruff and seconded by Wiesbrock to approve the employment of Holli Rapp as Head Volleyball Coach.

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Mertel, Kozak, Wiesbrock. Aye: 5; Nay: None.

Abstain: None. Motion passes.

A motion by Chambers and seconded by Kozak to approve the employment of Andrea Thompson as Scholastic Bowl Coach.

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Mertel, Kozak, Wiesbrock. Aye: 5; Nay: None.

Abstain: None. Motion passes.

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A motion by Mertel and seconded by Kozak to approve the employment of Eric Skinner as Bowling Coach.

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Mertel, Kozak, Wiesbrock. Aye: 5; Nay: None.

Abstain: None. Motion passes.

A motion by Chambers and seconded by Kozak to approve the employment of Nicole Fundell as Boys Track Coach.

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Mertel, Kozak, Wiesbrock. Aye: 5; Nay: None.

Abstain: None. Motion passes.

A motion by Chambers and seconded by Kozak to approve the employment of Holli Rapp as Girls Track Coach.

Roll call: Yea: Chambers, Ruff, Mertel, Kozak, Wiesbrock. Aye: 5; Nay: None.

Abstain: None. Motion passes.

**17. DIRECT SUPERINTENDENT TO REPORT TO BOARD**

Renew our CD that is coming due on December 15, 2024 at the current rate for a 12 month term.

Move the doors to HLS funds


**18. ADJOURN**

A motion by Mertel and seconded by Kozak to adjourn at 6:32 pm

Ayes 7-0.

  
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BOE President (Greg Ruff)

12-18-24  
Date

  
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BOE Secretary (Shayla Chambers)

12.18.24  
Date