

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING  
LASALLE-PERU TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 120  
AUGUST 18, 2021, 6:00 PM**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Tony Sparks, President, called to order the Regular Meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Thomas J. McCormack Library/Media Center at LaSalle-Peru Township High School, 541 Chartres Street, LaSalle, IL.

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mr. Tony Sparks, President, Mr. Greg Sarver, Vice President, Mrs. Carol Alcorn, Mr. Gary Ferrari, Mrs. Sally Taliani, Mr. Matt Merboth and Dr. Rose Marie Lynch

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Steven Wroblewski, Superintendent, Mrs. Ingrid Cushing, Principal, Mr. Dwayne Mentgen, Director Area Career Center, Mr. Christopher Gibson, Associate Principal for Teaching and Learning, Mr. Dan Le, Athletic Director, Mr. Adam Kuelczo, Associate Principal for School Safety, Mrs. April Eutis, Associate Principal for Student Support Services, Mr. Matt Baker, Director of Communications, Mr. Ritchie Kowalczyk, Director of Building and Grounds, Mrs. Lori Whalen, Business Manager, Attorney Walt Zukowski and Mrs. Julie Bleck, Board Secretary  
BY ZOOM ACCESS: Ms. Ali Braboy, WLPO.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JUNE 23, 2021 REGULAR MEETING AND JULY 21, 2021 AND AUGUST 5, 2021 SPECIAL MEETING**

MOTION by Mr. Sarver, seconded by Mrs. Taliani to approve the minutes from June 23, 2021 regular meeting and July 21, 2021 and August 5, 2021 special meetings as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Sarver, Mrs. Taliani, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None.  
**The motion carried 7-0.**

**RECOGNITION AND COMMENTS FROM VISITORS**

**STAFF RECOGNITION**

Mr. Sparks and the Board of Education recognized Mr. Ritchie Kowalczyk for a career of outstanding service and extraordinary contributions to LP High School. The entire Board wishes Mr. Kowalczyk and happy and long retirement.

**FINANCE**

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Merboth to approve the LP Bills as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Sarver, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The Motion carried 7-0.**

MOTION by Mrs. Taliani, seconded by Mr. Sarver to approve the ACC Bills as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Sarver, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Alcorn, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The Motion carried 7-0.**

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Dr. Lynch to approve the Financial Report, Activity Fund Report, Treasurer’s Report, Bank Reconciliation, Cash and Investments Report and Hometown Cash Management Report as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Sarver, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

7.1 Thank you letters from Mrs. Cheryl DePaepe for the Board’s donation to the LPHS Foundation for Enrichment in Memory of:

- Mr. Jim Swanson (Father of Mrs. Carie Lawrence)
- Mr. Ronald Furar (Father of Mrs. Lori Turczyn)
- Mr. Boltin Gastineau (Grandson of Mrs. Marsha Anderson)

7.2 TIF Reimbursements:

|                                |                    |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| Village of North Utica – TIF I | \$34,553.40        |
| TIF II                         | \$9,979.62         |
| TIF IV                         | <u>\$13,914.53</u> |
| TOTAL                          | <u>\$58,447.55</u> |

City of LaSalle- Intergovt Agreement TIF’s \$71,028.90

TOTAL MONTHLY TIF REIMBURSEMENT:  
\$129,476.45

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS/DISCUSSION**

**Policy Committee-** Mrs. Carol Alcorn, Committee Chair of the Policy Committee gave her report from the Wednesday, July 14, 2021 meeting, reported on: PRESS Policy Recommendations (Issue 107) -1<sup>st</sup> Reading, and IDPH Fully Adopts CDC Guidance for Schools.

**Finance Committee-** Mr. Matt Merboth, Committee Chair of the Finance Committee gave his report from the Monday, August 16, 2021 meeting, reported on: Monthly Financial Reports, FY 2022 Tentative Budget Review, FY 2021 Audit Update (August 11, 2021), Board & Employee Travel Expense Reimbursements, Walkie-Talkie Proposal, Weight Room Sound System Proposal, Staffing Recommendations (ESSER FUNDS) for nurse and permanent substitutes.

**FY2022 Tentative District Budget Presentation**

Mrs. Lori Whalen, Business Manager, presented the FY2022 Tentative District Budget to the Board of Education and Visitors.

**Building and Grounds Committee-** Mr. Greg Sarver, Committee Chair of the Building and Grounds Committee gave his report from the Tuesday, August 17, 2021 meeting, reported on: 1927 East Wing Update, Boiler Stack & Boiler House Building Update, Replacement of Walkie-Talkie System Update, Weight Room Sound System Recommendation, Auditorium Plaster/Painting Update, Summer HLS Work Update- Quad Locker Room, Dolan Building, Auto Shop, HLS #18, Chair Lift Replacement, HLS #81, Tunnel Repairs & Asbestos Abatement/Clean-up, Parking Lot Updates- Sports Complex seal-coating and line striping, 6<sup>th</sup> Street Lot patching, 6<sup>th</sup> Street Additional handicapped spots, Howard Fellows Stadium Security System Update, Campus Beautification update- 6<sup>th</sup> Street Main entrance Update, East Building update, Pool Update, Sports Complex Update, Tennis Court Repairs, Message Board, Aesthetics Committee Update- English Hallway, Cavs at the Next Level, Pillar Picture Frames.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

**Superintendent**

Dr. Steven Wroblewski, Superintendent, reported on the following topics:

1. **FY2022 District Budget:** The tentative budget packet will be presented to the Finance Committee on Monday prior to being uploaded to the Board packet. We have allocated all \$940,772 of our ESSER II allocation. We are presenting a balanced budget, which will be the first in 12 years.
2. **FY2021 Audit:** On August 13, 2021, Mr. Tim Custis and his team from Gorenz and Associates, Ltd. were on campus to conduct the annual audit. I'm pleased to report that we had zero findings. Our preliminary financial profile score is Financial Review – which is primarily the rest of our high amount of debt that was established via the voter-approved referendum. Mr. Custis was very complimentary about our business office staff. He will be attending the October regular Board meeting to present his final report.
3. **Opening of School:** For the first time in 17 months, we have had all our students in the building at the same time. For the first time in 17 months, it felt normal in the building. We've had no real issues with the masks. We've gotten lunch figured out and plan to start serving our normal lunch offerings this week.
4. **FOIA Request:** We received a FOIA request from Mr. Steven T. Duplain requesting job titles, email addresses and most current and readily available salary information of all teachers and administrators employed at LPHS and the LP ACC. We complied and responded to his request and notified Mrs. Adams per the teachers' union contract.
5. **Quad Locker Room/Dolan Building/Auto Shop Summer Renovation Work:** Summer work has gone very smoothly. The staff and students housed in the Dolan Building have a reliable and modern HVAC system that will serve the District for at least the next 30 years. The new roof on the Auto Shop is the first step in protecting the envelope of the building. Once we receive all final pay applications, we'll process the invoices for the ACC partner schools' share of costs – which will be approximately \$480,000. Payment of these invoices will be deposited in our HLS revenue fund balance.
6. **FOIA Requests:** We received the following FOIA requests this past month and responded to each.

| <b>Requestor</b>      | <b>Date</b>    | <b>Request</b>  | <b>District Action</b>  |
|-----------------------|----------------|---|---|
| Attorney Julie Ajster | August 6, 2021 | Request for copies of all District insurance policies.  | We approved the request and responded within the statutory timeframe of five business days. |
| Attorney Julie Ajster | August 6, 2021 | Request for policies and procedures guiding mask expectations and discipline of students.   | We approved the request and responded within the statutory timeframe of five business days. |
| Joe Sutton            | August 9, 2021 | Request for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The district's current website and/or content management system (CMS) provider contract.</li> <li>• The district's current alerts and/or emergency notification provider contract.</li> <li>• The district's current mobile app provider contract.</li> <li>• The district's current learning management system (LMS) provider contract.</li> </ul> | We approved the request and responded within the statutory timeframe of five business days. |

## PRINCIPAL

Mrs. Ingrid Cushing, reported on the following topics:

During the past month, the building administration has been working to ensure that the start of the 2021-2022 school year can begin as smoothly as possible given the continued pandemic conditions. Some of the major tasks that have been completed are as follows:

- During the opening meetings with faculty and staff, I shared the slogan: “A Year of Narrowing the Gap as United Cavaliers” and further discussed that we will focus our efforts on narrowing our learning gaps through the various methods that were presented to the Board of Education earlier in conjunction with our theme for the district this year of remaining United Cavaliers. Having been through many months of remote settings and the various situations that we have endured, we felt that we wanted to focus this year on being united as one group of Cavaliers.
- Narrowing the Gap: Faculty will be working on narrowing the gap by returning to the district curriculum. They are actively working with their PLC groups to align curriculum. They will also be using the data they get from the academic screeners in the areas of reading and math to assist with determining individual student needs. Additionally, our faculty is happy to be providing full day in-person instruction to students to help narrow the learning the gap.
- Freshmen Orientation Day: The orientation day will be held in-person and gave our students time in the building to meet their Link Crew Leaders and experience a mock schedule. Students also received their Chromebooks on this day.
- New Educator Orientation: Mr. Gibson completed the two-day orientation with our new educators, who reported that it was a positive experience and helped them understand the district better.
- Opening Day of the 2021-2022: The faculty returned to the building on Monday, August 9<sup>th</sup> and the rest of the staff returned on Tuesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>. Many activities were planned to help the staff prepare for the new school year, such as sharing the reopening plan, completing our mandating trainings and CPR training, time to work with the technology consultant, and time to prepare their classrooms.
- Our students have successful start. The lunch process is running smoothly, masks are being worn, and students are generally following the guidelines for safely returning to school. Overall, it feels like students and staff are happy to be United Cavaliers!

## ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Mr. Dan Le, reported on the following topics:

1. **Item 1:** Athletics Update
  - a. Fall Sports
    - i. All traditional IHSA fall sports began practice on Monday, August 9<sup>th</sup>.
    - ii. The IHSA plans on conducting complete seasons with a full IHSA state series in all sports.
  - b. Sports Safety Guidance
    - i. The state’s updated sports safety guidance reflects the current ISBE guidelines for schools with respect to masking, contact tracing, and quarantining.
  - c. Upcoming Events
    - i. The boys and girls’ golf teams began competition on Thursday, August 12<sup>th</sup>.
    - ii. The Meet the Cavs scrimmage is scheduled for Friday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 pm. The event will showcase the football and cheerleading programs, Cavalettes, and Marching Cavaliers.
    - iii. Boys’ soccer, girls’ tennis, cross country, football and volleyball begin competition the week of August 23<sup>rd</sup>.
    - iv. Girls’ swimming opens their season on Saturday, September 4<sup>th</sup>.
  - d. Special Events

- i. La Salle-Peru is scheduled to host the IHSA Class 2A Cross Country Regional at Baker Lake on Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>.
  - ii. La Salle-Peru is also in consideration to host the IHSA Class 2A Girls' Golf Regional and IHSA Class 2A Boys' Soccer Regional.
- 2. **Item 2:** Activities Update
  - a. Renaissance- On July 20<sup>th</sup> and July 21<sup>st</sup>, Renaissance presented in the Jostens Renaissance Virtual Conference. The conference had numerous guest speakers from around the world. It was a motivating and exciting way for the students to get ready for the new school year.
  - b. Student Council- Student Council met to discuss plans for homecoming. The football game is on Friday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. The dance is scheduled for Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>.
  - c. Key Club- Key Club is planning a potential overnight lock-in sometime during the spring of 2022. They will be raising money for Kiwanis Neuroscience Research Foundation (KNRF). This foundation works towards researching neurological diseases and disorders such as spina bifida.
  - d. Link Crew- Link Crew welcomed our freshmen to the building last week. The students walked through the traditional gauntlet and participated in classroom activities the rest of the morning.
- 3. Drama Club- Drama Club is starting to discuss potential fall plays for second semester.
  - Item 3:** Hall of Honor
    - a. The Hall of Honor celebration for the Class of 2020 is scheduled for the weekend of October 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>.
    - b. The inductees will be recognized at the home football game on Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup>.
    - c. The dinner and induction ceremony will be hosted at LPHS on Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup>.
    - d. Invitations and RSVPs are being prepared for mail.
- 4. **Item 4:** Back-to-School Spirit Week
  - a. The athletics and activities office along with the help of Mr. Matt Baker and Renaissance organized a Back-to-School Spirit Week for the week of August 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>.
  - b. The week will consist of theme days, a photo scavenger hunt, free t-shirts, and a field day in Howard Fellows Stadium on Friday, August 20<sup>th</sup>.
  - c. Thanks to several sponsors, prizes, including a 43" television, an Apple Watch, an iPad Mini, and Apple AirPods will be raffled off.
  - d. Students can earn raffle tickets throughout the week by participating in the theme days and various activities.
  - e. The culminating event is a field day in the stadium where Renaissance has prepared some games.
  - f. Following the field day, there will be a Back-to-School Bash on the practice field from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. The City of Peru and volunteers from Crossbridge have collaborated with the athletics and activities office to host an after school bash for LPHS students. There will be a dunk tank, a food truck, music, and games.
  - g. The conclusion of the spirit week will be the Meet the Cavs scrimmage in the stadium.
- 5. **Item 5:** Correspondence
  - a. The athletics office received a thank you card from Sharon Gilbertson. Members of the varsity football team volunteered to help clean out the home of Ms. Gilbertson's mother. She complimented the students for their courtesy and efforts. The students were Brett Aimone, Tre'von Hunter, Aidan VanDuzer, and Ozzy Hernandez.

### **ACC DIRECTOR**

Mr. Dwayne Mentgen, reported on the following topics:

The Enrollment count for the ACC as of 8/13/2021 is 343. We have budgeted at 340.

Three ACC students (2 LP and 1 La Moille) have formed their own company and currently are offering 3-d Printing services. The three students are: Owner: Brice Fundell, Co-Owner Gabriel Limberg, Advisor/Technician Dylan Lovgren. They are graduates of the Computer Repair and programming class with Mr. Koesler. Check out their business website: <http://starvel-industries.net/>

The ACC preliminary audit report has come back with no findings and based upon analysis from last year was approximately \$30,000 under budget. Many thanks and accolades to Mrs. Chris Wilke for her excellent work as the ACC Bookkeeper. She does an amazing job, and her consistent record of clean and unfounded audits is a testament to her capabilities.

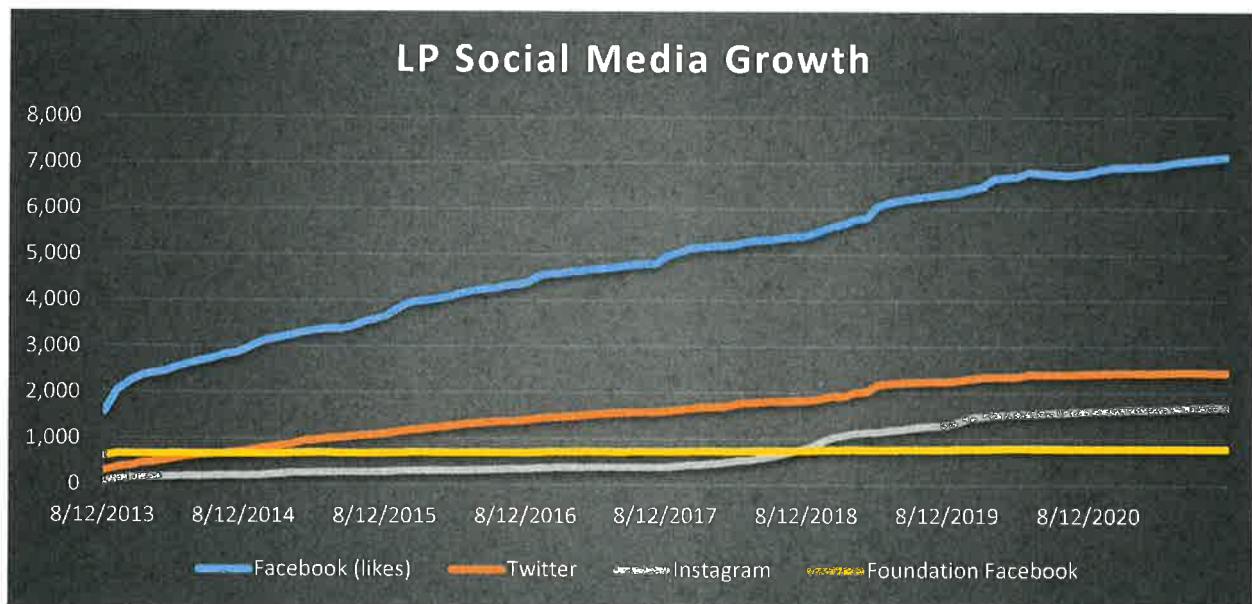
The ACC is having a fundraiser which is promoting the ACC the selling Shirts. The shirts can be order online by going to [www.sravte.org](http://www.sravte.org) and clicking on the words Area Career Center. Shirts are embroidered with the ACC Logo and cost \$20 each. Of the \$20, \$7.50 will go to the ACC scholarship fund.

The ACC held its back to school assembly on August 12<sup>th</sup> in the LPHS auditorium. At this assembly basic operation of the ACC was explained as well as a warm welcome for all students. Additionally, an invitation was extended to all students to join the ACC Hall of Success. A document submitted with this report will provide instructions on how to access the Hall of Success and also to submit new nominations.

### **DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS**

Mr. Matt Baker, reported on the following topics:

- We're in the process of updating the COVID-19 Dashboard online to reflect the most important current data for our district and community. We've added Community Transmission rate data and begun showing all new school-year data for quarantines and positive COVID tests.
- We continue exploring options to enhance our video streaming services for public presentations, board meetings, etc. to improve our final product. I'm beginning to work with vendors to develop an estimated cost for this potential project.
- We've assisted the Renaissance Program in producing a video to be used as a presentation for freshmen and sophomores.



## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Adopt proclamation celebrating the career of retiring Director of Building and Grounds Mr. Ritchie Kowalczyk**

MOTION by Mr. Saver, seconded by Mrs. Taliani to approve to adopt proclamation celebrating the career of retiring Director of Building and Grounds Mr. Ritchie Kowalczyk as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Sarver, Mrs. Taliani, Mrs. Alcorn, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

### **Adopt resolution approving the tentative LPHS FY22 Budget and place it on public display**

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mr. Ferrari to approve to adopt the resolution approving the tentative LPHS FY22 Budget and place it on public display as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mr. Ferrari, Mr. Sarver, Mrs. Alcorn, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Taliani and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

### **Adopt resolution approving the tentative ACC FY22 Budget and place it on public display**

MOTION by Mrs. Taliani, seconded by Dr. Lynch to approve to adopt the resolution approving the tentative ACC FY22 Budget and place it on public display as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Taliani, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Sarver, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

### **Adopt resolution to regulate board and employee expense reimbursements**

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mr. Ferrari to approve to adopt resolution to regulate board and employee expense reimbursements as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mr. Ferrari, Mr. Sarver, Mrs. Alcorn, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Taliani and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

### **Approval of the District's Annual Review of Safety Plans, Protocols, Procedures, and School Safety Drills Report**

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Dr. Lynch to approve of the District's Annual Review of Safety Plans, Protocols, Procedures, and School Safety Drills Report as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Sarver, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

### **Approval of the 2021-2022 School Resource Officer Memorandum of Understanding for \$47,793.46**

MOTION by Mr. Sarver, seconded by Mrs. Taliani to approve of the 2021-2022 School Resource Officer Memorandum of Understanding for \$47,793.46 as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Sarver, Mrs. Alcorn, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

### **Review of the PRESS Policy Recommendations (Issue 107) (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)**

NO ACTION TAKEN- READ ONLY

### **Approval of updated 2021-2022 Student Handbook language – Student Communicable Disease Guideline Compliance**

MOTION by Mr. Sarver, seconded by Mr. Merboth to approval of updated 2021-2022 Student Handbook language – Student Communicable Disease Guideline Compliance as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Sarver, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Alcorn, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**Approval of the Ficek Electric & Communications System, Inc. weight room sound system proposal (\$17,504.00)**

MOTION by Mr. Sarver, seconded by Mr. Ferrari to approve of the Ficek Electric & Communications System, Inc. weight room sound system proposal (\$17,504.00) as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Sarver, Mr. Ferrari, Mrs. Alcorn, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Taliani and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None.

**The motion carried 7-0.**

**Approval of the Starved Rock Communications radio communications system proposal (\$27,875.00)**

MOTION by Dr. Lynch, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn to approve of the Starved Rock Communications radio communications system proposal (\$27,875.00) as presented. Voting Aye: Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Sarver, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None.

**The motion carried 7-0.**

**Approval to establish Cavs Closet Activity Account**

MOTION by Mrs. Taliani, seconded by Mr. Sarver to approve to establish Cavs Closet Activity Account as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Sarver, Mrs. Alcorn, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**Approval of the renewal of Series 2020A General Obligation School Bonds**

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Dr. Lynch to approve of the renewal of Series 2020A General Obligation School Bonds as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Sarver, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**Approval of the employee computer purchase program**

MOTION by Mr. Sarver, seconded by Mrs. Taliani to approve of the employee computer purchase program as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Sarver, Mrs. Taliani, Mrs. Alcorn, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**Approval of the Blood-Borne Pathogens Exposure Control Plan for 2021-2022 school year**

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Merboth to approve of the Blood-Borne Pathogens Exposure Control Plan for 2021-2022 school year as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Sarver, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**Approval to hire a second school nurse for the 2021-2022 school year**

MOTION by Mrs. Taliani, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn to approve to hire a second school nurse for the 2021-2022 school year as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Taliani, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Sarver, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**Approval to hire up to three (3) permanent substitute teachers for the 2021-2022 school year**

MOTION by Mrs. Taliani, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn to approve to hire up to three (3) permanent substitute teachers for the 2021-2022 school year as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Taliani, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Sarver, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None.

**The motion carried 7-0.**

**Approval of the following resignations:**

MOTION by Mr. Ferrari, seconded by Mr. Merboth to approve of the following resignations as presented.

- a. Mr. Shane Cowsert, Key Club Sponsor, effective the conclusion of the 2020-2021 school year



- b. Ms. Monica Davidson, LEAD Club Advisor, effective the conclusion of the 2020-2021 school year
- c. Mrs. Lisa Salander, Co-Sponsor of the Debate Club and Group Interpretation, effective the conclusion of the 2020-2021 school year
- d. Mrs. Jodi Orlandi, Co-Sponsor of the Debate Club and Group Interpretation, effective the conclusion of the 2020-2021 school year
- e. Ms. Tiara Bedenko-Hill, Detention Supervisor, effective the conclusion of the 2020-2021 school year.
- f. Mrs. Stephanie Mickley, Sophomore Girls Basketball Coach, effective the conclusion of the 2020-2021 school year
- g. Mrs. Carie Lawrence, Assistant Softball Coach, effective August 9, 2021

Voting Aye: Mr. Ferrari, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Sarver, Mrs. Alcorn, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Taliani and Mr. Sparks.  
 Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**Approval of the following appointments:**

MOTION by Mr. Sarver, seconded by Dr. Lynch to approve of the following appointments as presented.

- a. Mrs. Jennifer Scoma, Senior Board Co-Sponsor, effective for the 2021-2022 school year (replaces Mrs. Lori Turczyn)
- b. Mr. Zac Koessler, Skills USA Sponsor, effective for the 2021-2022 school year (replaces Mrs. Susan Stiker)

Voting Aye: Mr. Sarver, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks.  
 Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**Approval to allow Knights of Columbus to conduct a Tootsie Roll Candy Sale on Friday, September 17, 2021 at the L-P football game at Howard Fellows Stadium**

MOTION by Mr. Sarver, seconded by Mrs. Taliani to approve to allow Knights of Columbus to conduct a Tootsie Roll Candy Sale on Friday, September 17, 2021 at the L-P football game at Howard Fellows Stadium as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Sarver, Mrs. Taliani, Mrs. Alcorn, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**MOTION TO MOVE TO EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION**

MOTION by Mr. Sarver, seconded by Mr. Merboth to move to executive/closed session for purpose of:

- a) Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline and /or complaint against an employee, performance, and/or dismissal of specific employees, b) purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, and c) Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees, with open session and possible action items to follow.

Voting Aye: Mr. Sarver, Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Alcorn, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks.  
 Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0. Time 6:57 p.m.**

**MOTION TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

MOTION by Mr. Sarver, seconded by Mr. Merboth to return to open session. Voting Aye: Mr. Sarver, Mr. Merboth, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Alcorn, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None.  
**The motion carried 7-0. Time 8:46 p.m.**

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mr. Tony Sparks, President, Mr. Greg Sarver, Vice President, Dr. Rose Marie Lynch, Mrs. Carol Alcorn, Mr. Matt Merboth, Mrs. Sally Taliani and Mr. Gary Ferrari  
 ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Steven Wroblewski, Superintendent, Attorney Walt Zukowski and Mrs. Julie Bleck, Board Secretary.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Approval to review and retain the Executive/Closed Minutes of June 23, 2021 Regular Meeting**

MOTION by Mrs. Alcorn, seconded by Mr. Merboth to approve to review and retain the Executive/Closed Minutes of June 23, 2021 Regular Meeting as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Sarver, Mrs. Taliani, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None.

**The motion carried 7-0**

#### **Authorization of destruction of verbatim audio records from executive sessions held prior to March 1, 2020 per the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120**

MOTION by Mr. Sarver, seconded by Mr. Merboth to approve authorization of destruction of verbatim audio records from executive sessions held prior to March 1, 2020 per the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120 as presented.

- a. January 15, 2020 Regular Meeting
- b. February 19, 2020 Regular Meeting

Voting Aye: Mr. Sarver, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Ferrari, Mrs. Alcorn, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Taliani and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

### **PERSONNEL**

#### **Approval of the following appointment:**

MOTION by Mrs. Taliani, seconded by Mr. Sarver to approve of the following appointment as presented:

- Mr. Tim Tomminello, Director of Buildings and Grounds, effective September 1, 2021, (replaces Mr. Ritchie Kowalczyk)

Voting Aye: Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Sarver, Mr. Merboth, Mr. Ferrari, Mrs. Alcorn, Dr. Lynch and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

#### **Recommended treasurer's stipend increase from \$3,695 to \$3,880**

MOTION by Mr. Merboth, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn to approve the recommended treasurer's stipend increase as presented. Voting Aye: Mr. Merboth, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Sarver, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

### **NEGOTIATIONS**

#### **Proposed MOU with LaSalle-Peru Federation of Teachers, Employee Request (Matt Makeever) to Suspend Employees' Schedule – Article X, Section D for 2021-2022 school year**

MOTION by Mrs. Taliani, seconded by Mr. Ferrari to approve of the proposed MOU with LaSalle-Peru Federation of Teachers, Employee Request (Matt Makeever) to Suspend Employees' Schedule – Article X, Section D for 2021-2022 school year as presented. Voting Aye: Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Ferrari, Mr. Sarver, Mrs. Alcorn, Dr. Lynch, Mr. Merboth and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Mr. Sarver, seconded by Mrs. Alcorn to adjourn. All in favor, Aye: Mr. Sarver, Mrs. Alcorn, Mr. Merboth, Dr. Lynch, Mrs. Taliani, Mr. Ferrari and Mr. Sparks. Voting Nay: None.

**The motion carried 7-0. Time: 8:49 p.m.**



Mr. Tony Sparks  
President



Julie Bleck  
Secretary