

Minutes  
Lostant Community Unit School District #425  
Wednesday, March 23, 2022  
6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL – REGULAR MEETING**

Quillard Skinner, B.O.E. President, called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Wiesbrock, Kozak, Chambers, Ruff, Lawless

Present via Zoom: None

Present via Telephone: None

Absent: None

Recording Secretary: Sandra Malahy, Superintendent

Audience Members: Missy Einhaus

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**4. CORRESPONDENCE**

Nothing this month.

**5. RECOGNITION**

5.1 Student of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter:

K-2 Claire Popplewell

3-5 Blake Chambers

6-8 Natalie Dinoto

5.2 Spelling Bee Winner

Logan Mertel - 1<sup>st</sup> place

Charley Phillips – 2<sup>nd</sup> place

5.3 Geography Bee Winner

Jaden Busch - 1<sup>st</sup> place

Amilia Trulson – 2<sup>nd</sup> place

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

6.1 Approve Minutes of the Regular and Executive Session Board Meeting from February 16, 2022.

6.2 Approve Treasurer's Report.

6.3 Approve Activity Account Report.

6.4 Approve Imprest Account Report.

6.5 Approve February 16, 2022 Disbursement in the Amount of \$8,736.63 for the floor scrubber and \$268,969.25 for March Disbursements.

6.6 Approve February 2022 Payroll.

**ACTION ITEM**

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

Roll call: Yea: Wiesbrock, Kozak, Chamber, Ruff, Lawless, Skinner. Nay: None.

Motion passes.

## 7. FINANCIAL REPORT

### 7.1 Fund Activity

The district is 67% through the school year. Revenues are 86.04% and Expenditures are 59.08%.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
10	Education	83.00%	57.92%
20	Operation & Maintenance	70.63%	51.35%
30	Debt	123.61%	88.18%
40	Transportation	123.61%	44.54%
50	Social Security & IMRF	104.70%	35.45%
60	Capital Projects	0.00%	0.00%
70	Working Cash	103.41%	0.00%
80	Tort	98.15%	77.17%
90	Fire / Health Life Safety	98.84%	0.00%
	Total	86.04%	59.08%

### 7.2 Fund Transfers

No fund transfers this month.

## 8. REPORTS, UPDATES, AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

### Informational Items:

#### 8.1 Principal's Report

No discussion.

#### 8.2 Employee Reports

No report this month.

#### 8.3 PTO Report

Flower order forms were turned in.

Easter Egg hunt is April 14<sup>th</sup>.

#### 8.4 LaSalle County COVID-19 Data

No discussion.

#### 8.5 School Improvement Plan

No discussion.

#### 8.6 Proposed 2022-2023 School Calendar

The Board suggested ending the school year on May 31<sup>st</sup> by having an attendance day on one of the following dates:

- August 23<sup>rd</sup>
- March 6<sup>th</sup>

#### 8.7 School Supply Survey

Mrs. Einhaus discussed the reasons a survey is going out to parents.

- Cost of supplies
- Student accountability toward supplies

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### 8.8 Bi-County LL Baseball Field Usage

Dr. Malahy informed the Board the Lostant Baseball League would like permission to use the ball fields. The Board discussed the upkeep of the fields.

#### **ACTION ITEM**

A motion by Wiesbrock and seconded by Lawless to allow the Lostant Baseball League use of the ball fields.

Roll call: Yea: Wiesbrock, Kozak, Chamber, Ruff, Lawless, Skinner. Nay: None.

Motion passes.

### 8.9 Asbestos Removal

The Board discussed the options for tile and mastic removal from the old band room.

#### **ACTION ITEM**

A motion by Kozak and seconded by Chambers to approve removing all tile and mastic in the band room and practice room for the amount of \$7,145.00 by DEM Services, Inc.

Roll call: Yea: Wiesbrock, Kozak, Chamber, Lawless, Ruff, Skinner. Nay: None.

Motion passes.

### 8.10 Response to Intervention

Mrs. Chambers asked if science and social studies projects and assignments could be sent home when a student is enrolled in RtI. Dr. Malahy stated she would give this suggestion to Mrs. Goddard and the teachers and report back to the Board in April or May. Mrs. Wiesbrock suggested when the school contacts parents for permission to have their child participate in RtI that we ask if the parent would like the science and social studies assignments to be sent home.

## **9. Committee Reports**

### 9.1 Finance

No meeting this month.

### 9.2 Negotiations

No meeting this month.

### 9.3 Safety

No meeting this month.

### 9.4 Closed Session Minutes

No meeting this month.

## **10. Legislative Update:**

Nothing this month.

## **11. Other:**

Nothing this month.

## **12. Old Business:**

### 12.1 Curriculum for High School – Update

This item was tabled until April because Mrs. Goddard was absent. The Board stated if there is additional information to report it may be placed on the April agenda.

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### 12.2 Economic Interest Form – Update

Dr. Malahy asked the Board if they had questions regarding completing the Economic Interest Form and reminded members to turn in the receipt to the school when they receive it.

### 12.3 Surety Bonds

Dr. Malahy reported that a Surety Bond is not needed for the superintendent or board members if money is not handled by those positions. The school treasurer needs a Surety Bond and the District needs a Surety Bond if the District has out-standing bond debt.

## 13. New Business:

### 13.1 Extra-Curriculars

Dr. Malahy stated it may be difficult to fill coaching positions next year and that Tonica reached out to coop all activities. The Board discussed this option. Dr. Malahy will update the Board at the April meeting.

### 13.2 Field Trips

Mrs. Kozak asked if field trips could be taken. The Board and Dr. Malahy discussed how to fund the trips. The Board discussed the possibility of PTO assisting with the cost. Dr. Malahy stated she will ask Mrs. Goddard and the teachers for feedback and report back to the Board in April or May.

### 13.3 Teacher Shortage

The Board discussed how to fill teacher positions if any of our teachers resigned.

## 14. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Date: March 23, 2022

Time: 7:17 p.m.

Location: Lostant CUSD 425 Board Room

A motion by Lawless and seconded by Wiesbrock to adjourn to closed meeting to discuss:

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 Lawless and seconded by Ruff to reconvene into open session at 7:40 p.m.

Roll call. 6-0

## 15. ACTION ITEMS AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion by Lawless and seconded by Chambers to accept the resignation of Lisa Goddard.

Roll call: Yea: Wiesbrock, Kozak, Chamber, Lawless, Ruff, Skinner. Nay: None.

Motion passes.

## 16. DIRECT SUPERINTENDENT TO REPORT TO BOARD

16.1 Contact the R.O.E. and I.S.B.E. to find out if cooping academic elementary subjects with an elementary district is possible.

## 17. ADJOURN

A motion by Lawless and seconded by Ruff to adjourn.

Ayes 6-0.

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The regular meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

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BOE President (Quillard Skinner)

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BOE Secretary (Greg Ruff)

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