

Minutes
Lostant Community Unit School District #425
Wednesday, April 13, 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, Walt Zukowski, Lisa Cooper, Kassandra DuMais

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. BOARD VACANCY

Lisa Cooper addressed the Board and asked to fill the vacant board seat. Mrs. Cooper answered several Board Members' questions.

ACTION ITEM

A motion by Lawless and seconded by Cooper to appoint Lisa Cooper to fill the remainder of Greg Walder's term on the Board.

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

Motion passes.

OATH OF OFFICE

Mrs. Cooper took the Oath of Office and was seated.

4. TEACHER RESIGNATION

The Board read Amy Olson's Letter of Resignation.

No discussion.

ACTION ITEM

A motion by Wiesbrock and seconded by Ruff to accept Amy Olson's resignation effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

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

Motion passes.

5. TEACHER VACANCY

Dr. Malahy present Kassandra DuMais to the Board as the recommended teacher candidate to fill Mrs. Olson's vacant teaching position. Mrs. DuMais answered several Board Members' questions.

ACTION ITEM

A motion by Lawless and seconded by Wiesbrock to approve the employment of Kassandra DuMais as a teacher beginning August 2022.

Roll call: Yea: Wiesbrock, Kozak, Chambers, Ruff, Lawless, Skinner. Nay: None. Abstain: Cooper

Motion passes.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing this month.

8. RECOGNITION

8.1 A donation of \$333.00 from the R. C. Flyers.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

9.1 Approve Minutes of the Regular and Executive Session Board Meeting from March 23, 2022.

9.2 Approve Treasurer's Report.

9.3 Approve Activity Account Report.

9.4 Approve Imprest Account Report.

9.5 Approve \$23,489.36 for April Disbursements.

9.6 Approve March 2022 Payroll.

ACTION ITEM

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

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

Motion passes.

10. FINANCIAL REPORT

10.1 Fund Activity

The district is 75% through the school year. Revenues are 87.81% and Expenditures are 73.18%.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
10	Education	85.52%	73.25%
20	Operation & Maintenance	70.63%	74.30%
30	Debt	100.66%	88.18%
40	Transportation	123.61%	57.82%
50	Social Security & IMRF	105.98%	39.65%
60	Capital Projects	0.00%	0.00%
70	Working Cash	103.41%	0.00%
80	Tort	98.15%	85.18%
90	Fire / Health Life Safety	98.84%	0.00%
	Total	87.81%	73.18%

10.2 Fund Transfers

Nothing this month.

11. REPORTS, UPDATES, AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Informational Items:

11.1 Principal's Report

No discussion.

11.2 Employee Reports

No report this month.

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11.3 PTO Report

Bowling event in Minonk April 14th in the evening.

Easter Egg hunt is April 14th.

Flower sales delivery is pending.

11.4 LaSalle County COVID-19 Data

No discussion.

11.5 School Improvement Plan

No discussion.

11.6 Proposed 2022-2023 School Calendar

The Board viewed the revised school calendar.

No discussion.

ACTION ITEM

A motion by Wiesbrock and seconded by Kozak to approve the 2022-2023 Lostant School Calendar.

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

Motion passes.

11.7 8th Grade Field Trip

The Board viewed Mr. Weber's proposal for the 8th grade field trip. Dr. Malahy stated the parents did not wish to fund raise. All expenses will be paid by the 8th grade parents.

No discussion.

ACTION ITEM

A motion by Ruff and seconded by Chambers to approve the 8th grade field trip as presented.

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

Motion passes.

11.8 Elementary Deactivation

The Board and Attorney Walt Zukowski discussed the option of deactivating a portion of the elementary school in order to share grade levels with Tonica. Other topics discussed included: required square footage per student; other districts' regrouping ideas; ISBE vision for school districts.

11.9 Annual Health Inspection Report

Dr. Malahy informed the Board that the school received a 100 percent rating on the annual health inspection with no adverse findings.

12. Committee Reports

12.1 Finance

No meeting this month.

12.2 Negotiations

No meeting this month.

12.3 Safety

No meeting this month.

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12.4 Closed Session Minutes
No meeting this month.

13. Legislative Update:

Nothing this month.

14. Other:

- 14.1 Mr. Zukowski passed out a handout and discussed new school laws in 2022.
- 14.2 Mr. Lawless asked if Lostant District still administers staff exit surveys.
- 14.3 8th grade speeches.

15. Old Business:

15.1 Curriculum for High School – Update
No discussion.

15.2 School Supply Survey – Update

The Board viewed the parent survey results. The majority of returned surveys supported that the school should continue to purchase student supplies. Dr. Malahy stated the supply fee has never been increased. Mrs. Goddard is pricing supplies to determine if an increase to the current \$25 fee is needed. Mrs. Chambers asked if parents could make donations.

15.3 Extra-Curricular I.G.A.

Dr. Malahy stated that she has a superintendent meeting with Deer Park and Tonica to discuss a three-way I.G.A.

15.4 Scrubber – Extended Warranty – Update

Dr. Malahy stated that there is no extended warranty available on the new floor scrubber.

15.5 Response to Intervention – Update

Dr. Malahy stated that the teachers would like an RtI time slot in next year's school schedule. If this can be arranged, the issue of removing some students from science or social studies will no longer be of concern.

16. New Business:

Nothing this month.

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Date: April 13, 2022
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Location: Lostant CUSD 425 Board Room

A motion by Wiesbrock and seconded by Lawless 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. 7-0

18. ACTION ITEMS AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion by Ruff and seconded by Lawless to approve the employment of Chance Hank as a part-time custodian on an as need basis beginning June 2022.

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

Motion passes.

19. DIRECT SUPERINTENDENT TO REPORT TO BOARD

20. ADJOURN

A motion by Lawless and seconded by Chambers to adjourn.

Ayes 7-0.

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

BOE President (Quillard Skinner)

Date

BOE Secretary (Greg Ruff)

Date