

October 25, 2023 Regular School Board Meeting Minutes

Minutes  
Lostant Community Unit School District #425  
Wednesday,  
October 25, 2023  
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, Lawless, Kozak, Cooper, Wiesbrock, Ruff, and Forrest

Present via Zoom: None

Present via Telephone: None

Absent:

Recording Secretary: Bob Ketcham, Superintendent

Audience Members: Courtney Klobuchar, Holli Rapp, Dr. Sandra Malahy, Missy Einhaus, and Kassy DuMais, *Pastor Yong Bricelly and guests*

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*(Signature)*  
11/29/23

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**4. CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**5. RECOGNITION**

Joe and Melody Ahearn donated \$20 to Lostant CUSD 425 to be used as the district wishes.

Doyle A. Cate donated \$20 to Lostant CUSD 425 that was collected from the recycling program.

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

**6.1** Approve minutes from the September 27, 2023, Public Hearing, Regular Board Meeting and September 27, 2023 Executive Session Notes.

**6.2** Approve Treasurer's Report.

**6.3** Approve Activity Account Report.

**6.4** Approve Imprest Account Report.

**6.5** Approve \$216,377.52 for September Disbursements.

**6.6** Approve September 2023 Payroll.

No Discussion

**ACTION ITEM**

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

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

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

## 7. FINANCIAL REPORT

### 7.1 Fund Activity

The district is 25% through the school year. Revenues are 79.50% and Expenditures are 33.42%.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
10	Education	75.55%	41%
20	Operation & Maintenance	73.22%	43.74%
30	Debt	99.67%	0.00%
40	Transportation	60.70%	12.45%
50	Social Security & IMRF	90.98%	20.33%
60	Capital Projects	0.00%	0.00%
70	Working Cash	99.70%	0.00%
80	Tort	102.10%	12.83%
90	Fire / Health Life Safety	99.55%	0.00%
	Total	79.50%	33.42%

### ACTION ITEM

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

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

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

No Discussion

### 7.2 Fund Transfers

Nothing This Month.

## 8. REPORTS, UPDATES, AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

### 8.1 Principal's Report

Mrs. Klobuchar discussed the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter slide deck with board members. Board members asked Mrs. Klobuchar to include it in her monthly newsletter. The trunk or treat event was discussed as well. Upcoming CPR training as well as Narcan training was discussed.

### 8.2 Athletic Director's Report

Holli Rapp reviewed upcoming practices, games, tournaments. Volunteers were thanked for their help at the tournament this past weekend as well as the upcoming weekend. Elk's hoop shoot competition was discussed as well.

### 8.3 Employee Reports

Nothing this month.

### 8.4 PTO Report

The current fundraiser was discussed with funds going toward field trips. Transportation to field trips was discussed among the board. PTO is looking at different assemblies that have a cost and ones that do not cost.

**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 Discussion

**ACTION ITEM**

A motion by Cooper and seconded by Kozak to approve the closed session minutes.

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

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

**10. Legislative Update:**

Nothing This month

**11. Other:**

11.1 Annual Summative Designation

Mr. Ketcham discussed the district's annual summative designation.

11.2 School Maintenance Grant

Mr. Ketcham discussed a recent plumbing issue that came up and that he plans to use the school maintenance grant to repair parts of the asphalt on the west side of the building.

11.3 LEA Determination Review

Mr. Ketcham discussed the LEA Determination Review and that the district is in 100% compliance with IDEA.

11.4 FY 24 Tax Levy Update

Mr. Ketcham mentioned that he recently attended a workshop in Bloomington on the levy process and feels more prepared to complete this year's levy.

11.5 Winter Concert

Mr. Ketcham announced that Dr. Malahy has retired from conducting this event and that the staff is working together to put together this year's program.

11.6 Old Uniforms

Mr. Ketcham discussed that Lostant has a stockpile of old uniforms that are useful any longer since we are in a co-op with Tonica. The board directed Mr. Ketcham to work with Holli Rapp to disperse the old uniforms to students and interested community members.

**12. Old Business:**

Nothing this month

**13. New Business:**

13.1 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Fundraiser

13.1.1 Mrs. Dumais requested that the 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys be allowed to participate in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade fundraiser.

**ACTION ITEM**

A motion by Chambers and seconded by Cooper to approve the 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys participating in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade fundraiser.

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

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

13.2 District Credit Card

13.2.2 Mr. Ketcham requested that the district credit card be transferred into his name.

**ACTION ITEM**

 A motion by Kozak and seconded by Wiesbrock to approve the transfer of the district credit card into Mr. Ketcham's name

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

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

13.3 Student Assembly

13.3.3 The board discussed Pastor Brierlley's requested permission to conduct an assembly at Lostant Grade School.

**ACTION ITEM**

A motion by Cooper and seconded by Wiesbrock to not approve the student assembly by Pastor Brierlley.

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

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

13.4 EIS Salary Report

13.4.4 Mr. Ketcham asked the board to approve the 2023 school year EIS report.

**ACTION ITEM**

A motion by Lawless and seconded by Cooper to not approve the student assembly by Pastor Brierlley.

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

Abstain: None.

Motion passes.

**14. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion by Lawless and seconded by Forrest to adjourn to closed meeting at 6:36 pm to discuss:  
Ayes 7-0.

Student Discipline Cases. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9)

14.1 Student Discipline.

**15. ACTION ITEMS AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Nothing This Month

**16. DIRECT SUPERINTENDENT TO REPORT TO BOARD**

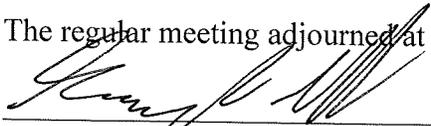
Superintendent was directed to work with the athletic director in dispersing old uniforms to community members and/or students.

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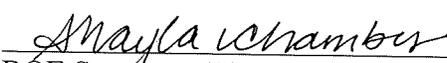
**17. ADJOURN**

A motion by Wiesbrock and seconded by Lawless to adjourn.  
Ayes 7-0.

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:17 pm.

  
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BOE President (Greg Ruff)

11/29/23  
Date

  
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BOE Secretary (Shayla Chambers)

11-29-23  
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