TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 211
Palatine, Illinois

BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
May 24, 2018
7:30 p.m.
Official

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, Township High School District 211, Cook County, Illinois was held on May 24, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. in the G. A. McElroy Administration Center at 1750 South Roselle Road, Palatine, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

Physically Present:	Peter R. Dombrowski, Member Will Hinshaw, Vice President and Member Anna Klimkowicz, Secretary and Member Robert J. LeFevre, Jr., Member Steven Rosenblum, Member Edward M. Yung, Member Mucia A. Burke, President and Member
Present By Other Means:	None
Absent:	None

Also present were: Daniel E. Cates, Superintendent; members of the District administrative staff; interested citizens; and members of the press.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Burke led the Board of Education and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition – State Award Winners

Superintendent Cates introduced Director of Athletics and Activities Eric Wenckowski. Mr. Wenckowski introduced Palatine High School Principal Gary Steiger and Science Department Chair and Science Olympiad Sponsor Carl Garrison. Science Teacher and Assistant Science Olympiad Sponsor Patrick Rauen was also introduced. Dr. Garrison introduced and Mr. Steiger presented medallions Curtis McLennan and Joshua Soloway for placing fifth in helicopters, Nicole Schiller and Josalyn Service for placing fifth in eWright stuff, and Elliott Willming for placing third in write it do it at the state Science Olympiad competition.

Mr. Wenckowski introduced James B. Conant High School Principal Julie Nowak, Assistant Principal Mark Langer, and Science Teacher and Science Olympiad Sponsor Tracy Galla. Ms. Galla introduced and Mrs. Nowak presented medallions to Jareth Gomes for placing second in mousetrap vehicle and third in hovercraft, Geun Lee for placing third in hovercraft, Siddharth Mehrotra and Shiv Patel for placing fourth in WiFi lab, Kirsh Mehta for placing fourth in detector building, and Aman Patel for placing second in mousetrap vehicle at the state Science Olympiad competition.

Mr. Wenckowski introduced William Fremd High School Principal Kurt Tenopir, Assistant Principal Kimberly Glaser, and Social Studies Teacher and Yearbook Sponsor Amanda Ganas. Mrs. Ganas introduced and Mr. Tenopir presented a medallion to Priyal Desai for placing fourth in yearbook layout double-page spread at the state journalism competition.

Mr. Wenckowski introduced James B. Conant High School English Teacher and Newspaper Sponsor David Gwizdala. Mr. Gwizdala introduced and Mrs. Nowak presented a medallion to Annika Lafyatis for placing sixth in editorial writing at the state journalism competition.

Mr. Wenckowski introduced Hoffman Estates High School Principal Joshua Schumacher, Assistant Principal Brian Harlan, and Science Teacher and Worldwide Youth in Science and Engineering Sponsor Suzanne Fetherling. Ms. Fetherling introduced and Mr. Schumacher presented a medallion to Adam Meyers for placing first in engineering graphics at the Worldwide Youth in Science and Engineering competition.

Mr. Wenckowski introduced Palatine High School Mathematics Department Chair and Math Team Sponsor Craig Barnes. Mr. Barnes introduced and Mr. Steiger presented medallions to Dominique de Fiesta, Aviral Saxema, and Bhargav Yadavalli for placing third in junior-senior relay team at the state math team competition.

Mr. Wenckowski introduced William Fremd High School Mathematics Teacher and Math Team Sponsor Christopher Grattoni. Mr. Grattoni introduced and Mr. Tenopir presented medallions to Arnav Aggarwal, Alice Chen, Eileen Peng, Kinllen Peng, Sean Randunne, and Nipun Velupally for placing third in geometry written team; Hannah Chen, Kristina Chen, Maegan Jong, and Kevin Li for placing second in algebra II written team; Edward Li for placing first in junior-senior relay; Anthony Mu for placing second in algebra II written team and first in junior-senior relay; and Flora Zheng for placing second in algebra II written and first in junior-senior relay at the state math team competition.

Mr. Wenckowski introduced James B. Conant High School Mathematics Teacher and Math Team sponsor Richard Cortez. Mr. Cortez introduced and Mrs. Nowak presented a medallion to Rajat Mittal for placing first in junior division at the state math team competition.

Mr. Wenckowski introduced William Fremd High School Physical Education Teacher and Badminton Coach Robert Hanson. Mr. Hanson introduced and Mr. Tenopir presented medallions to Hannah Chen and Jenny Li for placing fourth in doubles, Kellie Liu for placing fifth in singles, and Rachel Ye for placing fourth in singles, and medallions to Kate Bodensteiner, Jasmine Caro, Hannah Chen, Jane Kim, Jenny Li, Kellie Liu, Shreyah Prasad, Sharon Wu, and Rachel Ye for placing third at the state badminton competition.

Illinois High School Gymnastics Coaches Association Senior Gymnast of the Year

Superintendent Cates made the following comments:

"Each year, the Illinois High School Gymnastics Coaches Association honors a senior student-athlete as the state's Senior Gymnast of the Year.

I am proud to announce that the coaches got it right and made another wise selection this year. This year's Coaches Association senior honoree is from Palatine High School and he is with us this evening. Gymnastics Coach Scott Hagel will introduce him in just a moment. This is our second consecutive senior gymnast honoree from Palatine High School as well as our third consecutive honoree from District 211.

On behalf of the Board of Education, I'd like to congratulate our senior gymnast on this outstanding honor."

Superintendent Cates introduced Palatine High School Physical Education Teacher and Gymnastics Coach Scott Hagel. Mr. Hagel introduced and President Burke presented a certificate to Palatine High School student Christian Lunsford for being named the Senior Gymnast of the Year by the Illinois High School Gymnastics Coaches Association.

Illinois High School Association 2017 Badminton Coach of the Year

Superintendent Cates made the following comments:

"There are many qualities that are characteristic of a great coach: communication, education, organization, commitment and dedication, concern and compassion, and the ability to push student-athletes to their limits while supporting them at the same time. These qualities are clearly recognizable among the coaches who stand out, and this evening, I'm pleased to recognize two of District 211's best examples: one for his outstanding achievement and the other for his hall of fame honors.

First, I'd like to congratulate Fremd High School Badminton Coach Robert Hanson on being named the 2017 Illinois High School Association Badminton Coach of the Year. Bob, please approach the podium.

Bob has been coaching badminton at Fremd High School for 18 years, leaving his indelible coaching mark on the school's program. During his coaching tenure, Bob's badminton teams are a combined 120-0 versus MSL opponents during regular season games and have won nine Mid-Suburban League championships. His teams have never lost in sectionals, winning 18 consecutive sectional championships. The Vikings have then gone on to earn seven total state trophies, including two state badminton championships.

Bob's 2017 Viking team finished the regular season with a 13-0 dual meet record and followed that with their 17th straight conference and sectional tournament championships. The team finished third in the state that year, taking home the school's sixth state badminton trophy in the past 10 years. As we just heard earlier this evening, the team this year completed their third place finish.

On behalf of the Board of Education, I'd like to congratulate you, Bob, on being recognized as the Illinois High School Association's 2017 Badminton Coach of the Year. This is certainly a well-deserved honor. Please come forward to accept your certificate from Board President Mrs. Burke.

President Burke presented a certificate to Mr. Hanson for being named the Illinois High School Association's 2017 Badminton Coach of the Year.

Illinois High School Gymnastics Coaches Association Hall of Fame

Superintendent Cates made the following comments:

"We have another exceptional coach to be honored this evening. I'd like to ask Scott Hagel from Palatine High School to come to the podium to be recognized. Scott was recently inducted into the Illinois High School Gymnastics Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

The Palatine High School Boys Gymnastics program has been under Scott's direction for the past 18 years, where his teams are seven-time Mid-Suburban League champions – including 10 MSL West Division titles. His teams have been sectional champions seven times, while making seven Elite Eight appearances in route to being crowned state champions in 2007 and earning a third-place finish in 2008.

His team also finished fifth at the state meet three times as well as recording fourth-place and sixth-place finishes. Scott has been recognized 12 times as the MSL Coach of the Year, while also being named the state coach of the year twice, in 2007 and again in 2017. He has coached three senior gymnasts of the year, including Christian Lunsford this year who we recognized a moment ago.

Scott has been a major contributor to Illinois high school gymnastics, first as a gymnast in high school and then as a coach and a state-level official. He has served as president of the Illinois High School Gymnastics Coaches Association as well as also serving as an IHSA State Finals Judge and a two-time member of the IHSA Advisory Board.

On behalf of the Board of Education, congratulations on your induction into the Illinois High School Gymnastics Coaches Association Hall of Fame. We are appreciative of your time and dedication to the student-athletes and parents of the Palatine High School community as well as your fine representation of Palatine High School and District 211 in so many ways."

President Burke presented a certificate to Mr. Hagel in recognition of his induction into the Illinois High School Gymnastics Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

Recognition – Business Incubator Volunteers

Superintendent Cates introduced Associate Superintendent for Instruction Lisa Small. Dr. Small introduced Palatine High School Business Department Chair and Business Incubator Teacher Cliff Watanuki, William Fremd High School Business Department Chair and Incubator Teacher Chad Jonas, James B. Conant High School Business Incubator Teacher Anthony Miller, Hoffman Estates High School Business Department Chair Kerri Largo, and James B. Conant High School Business Department Chair and Business District Chair Patricia Ertl. Dr. Small introduced and Mr. Watanuki presented certificates to these local business experts who partner with District 211 for the Business Incubator class at each of District 211's high schools and assist the teachers in bringing the reality and knowledge of the entrepreneurship world into the classroom: Ferdi Alfajora, Taxrwe.com; Fady Bebawy, Willamette Management Associates; Jeff Bittner, Alpha Graphics; Jim Gallo, Specialty Finishing Group; Eric Gronwick, REMAX Real Estate; Thomas Hutchison, Hutchison Tool; Humayun Khan, Enterprise Solutions Group; Debbie Platek, Medical Education Consultant; and Lynn Potts, GfK.

Sprint Recognition

Superintendent Cates made the following comments:

"Tonight, we would like to recognize Sprint Telecommunications for its partnership with District 211 within the *1Million Project*.

Sprint's *1Million Project* provides internet service to families across the country that otherwise would not have access to the internet. Through the 1Million Project, Sprint and the Sprint Foundation works to close the homework gap by providing free home internet devices to school districts, who in turn distribute these devices to disadvantaged students who do not have home internet access.

This year, District 211 partnered with Sprint to provide internet access devices and services to approximately 230 households across our District. We are grateful for this service provided to our students and we look forward to participating in the 1Million Project again in the coming school year with the hope of increasing the number of families that can benefit from this support. We have tried to help students who don't have internet access for several years and have recognized that this was going to be an issue. I want to publicly acknowledge and thank Sprint for delivering a solution. We are hopeful that the solution will continue; it is a difference maker for many of our students.

Joining us tonight from Sprint is Implementation Project Manager Andrea Chambers, who manages the *1Million Project* for more than 40 participating school districts in the Midwest and Pacific Northwest regions.

The Township High School District 211 Board of Education would like to extend our sincere appreciation and gratitude to Sprint Telecommunications and Ms. Chambers for their continued work to provide internet service to our students and families."

President Burke presented a certificate to Ms. Chambers in recognition of Sprint Telecommunications' work with District 211 on the 1Million Project.

President Burke extended congratulations, on behalf of the Board of Education, to all the students and community partners who were recognized tonight.

Break

The Board of Education took a break from 8:12 p.m. to 8:22 p.m. while pictures were taken of recognition award winners.

Citizens' Petitions and Appearances

President Burke asked if there was anyone present, not on the agenda, and who did not sign up to speak, who wished to speak before the Board of Education. No one addressed the Board.

Presentation: Excellence in Equity

Superintendent Cates re-introduced Associate Superintendent for Instruction Lisa Small. Dr. Small introduced Director of Instructional Improvement Danielle Hauser, Hoffman Estates High School Assistant Principal Brian Harlan, and William Fremd High School Social Studies Teacher LoriAnne Frieri. Dr. Hauser, Mr. Harlan, and Dr. Frieri presented a review of the ways in which District 211 is closing academic enrollment gaps while focusing on increasing student achievement through student and staff supports, and they answered Board members' questions.

Consent Agenda

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the consent agenda be approved as presented.

Aye:	Edward Yung Robert LeFevre Anna Klimkowicz Steven Rosenblum Will Hinshaw Peter Dombrowski Mucia Burke
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

The following consent agenda items (indicated by *) were enacted by one motion:

***Approval of Minutes -- Regular Meeting of May 10, 2018**

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the minutes of the regular meeting of May 10, 2018 be approved and placed on file.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Peter Dombrowski Will Hinshaw Anna Klimkowicz Robert LeFevre Steven Rosenblum Edward Yung Mucia Burke
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Approval of Bills for Payment**

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that bills in the amount of $17,189,003.85 be approved for payment.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Peter Dombrowski Will Hinshaw Anna Klimkowicz Robert LeFevre Steven Rosenblum Edward Yung Mucia Burke
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Financial Report – As of April 30, 2018**

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, Other Financing Sources (Uses), and Changes in Fund Balances for the period ending April 30, 2018 be approved and placed on file.

Aye:	Peter Dombrowski Will Hinshaw Anna Klimkowicz Robert LeFevre Steven Rosenblum Edward Yung Mucia Burke
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Investment Report – As of April 30, 2018**

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the investment report for the period ending April 30, 2018 be approved and placed on file.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Peter Dombrowski Will Hinshaw Anna Klimkowicz Robert LeFevre Steven Rosenblum Edward Yung Mucia Burke
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Student Activities Report – As of April 30, 2018**

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the student activity, trust fund, and convenience fund report for the period ending April 30, 2018 be approved and placed on file.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Peter Dombrowski Will Hinshaw Anna Klimkowicz Robert LeFevre Steven Rosenblum Edward Yung Mucia Burke
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Variance Report – As of April 30, 2018**

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the variance report for the period ending April 30, 2018 be approved and placed on file.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Peter Dombrowski Will Hinshaw Anna Klimkowicz Robert LeFevre Steven Rosenblum Edward Yung Mucia Burke
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Resolution: Employment of Summer School Teachers**

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the resolution to employ teachers for the 2018 summer school session be adopted (attached to official minutes).

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Peter Dombrowski Will Hinshaw Anna Klimkowicz Robert LeFevre Steven Rosenblum Edward Yung Mucia Burke
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

***In-Service Date for 2018-2019**

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Board of Education approve November 2, 2018 as a shortened day for a special event.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Peter Dombrowski Will Hinshaw Anna Klimkowicz Robert LeFevre Steven Rosenblum Edward Yung Mucia Burke
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Personnel Recommendations**

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the personnel recommendations be accepted as presented.

Part-Time Teacher Employment First Semester:
(Effective 2018-2019 School Year)

Chang, Justin; science, James B. Conant High School
Diener, Emily; special education, Palatine High School
Drake, Hannah; music, Hoffman Estates High School
Langridge, Tobin; music, Hoffman Estates High School
Ping, Jennifer; psychologist, William Fremd High School
Sall, Kathryn; English, James B. Conant High School

Support Staff New Hires:

Blanco, Oscar; custodian, Hoffman Estates High School
Vanek, Nicholas; custodian, Schaumburg High School

Support Staff Resignations:

Brandseth, Daniel; sign language interpreter, Palatine High School
Nasir, Rooha; teacher assistant, William Fremd High School

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Peter Dombrowski Will Hinshaw Anna Klimkowicz Robert LeFevre Steven Rosenblum Edward Yung Mucia Burke
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

Bids for Consideration

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that for the bids listed below, the Board of Education award the business to the lowest responsible bidders, as listed in the attached administrative bid recommendation dated May 24, 2018 (attached to official minutes):

1.	Athletic and Physical Education Equipment for all schools – three vendors	$ 66,596.42
2.	Food Service Paper Products for all schools – seven vendors	$ 55,733.58
3.	Music Equipment for James B. Conant High School – two vendors	$ 7,344.00
4.	Science Equipment for James B. Conant William Fremd, and Hoffman Estates High Schools – Fisher Scientific Company, LLC	$ 3,895.32
	TOTAL:	$ 133,569.32

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Peter Dombrowski Will Hinshaw Anna Klimkowicz Robert LeFevre Steven Rosenblum Edward Yung Mucia Burke
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

Freedom of Information Act Requests

The Board of Education received a report on Freedom of Information Act requests and responses.

Resolution Calling a Public Hearing for Interfund Transfers for Capital Improvement Projects

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Board of Education directs publication of a notice of public hearing to take place at its June 14, 2018 meeting to consider the permanent interfund transfer of $5.7 million from the Educational Fund to its Operations and Maintenance Fund and $1.5 million from the Transportation Fund to its Operations and Maintenance Fund.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Steven Rosenblum Will Hinshaw Peter Dombrowski Edward Yung Anna Klimkowicz Robert LeFevre Mucia Burke
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

Equal Opportunity Schools Implementation

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to engage in a three-year partnership with Equal Opportunity Schools at a cost not to exceed $180,000.

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Robert LeFevre Anna Klimkowicz Edward Yung Peter Dombrowski Steven Rosenblum Will Hinshaw Mucia Burke
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

Proposed Policy Revision: Graduation Requirements

The Board received a proposed policy revision to Board policy IKF Graduation Requirements.

Review of Prevention of and Response to Student Bullying Policy

The Board received and reviewed the prevention of and response to student bullying policy.

School Bus Propane Gas Agreement

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent or designee to enter into an agreement with AmeriGas Propane, L.P. for the period of May 2018 through July 2021 as presented at a fee of $0.58 over area index pricing for the duration of the contractual period.

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Will Hinshaw Edward Yung Robert LeFevre Peter Dombrowski Steven Rosenblum Anna Klimkowicz Mucia Burke
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

Potential Topics for Future Discussion

No topics were proposed by the Board of Education for future potential discussion.

Northwest Suburban Special Education Organization

Mrs. Klimkowicz reported on recent N.S.S.E.O. activities.

Education Research Development/Legislative Report

Superintendent Cates reported on Senate Bill 3190 that involves expanding dual-credit opportunities across the state and broadening the qualifications between higher education and the high school system.

Partners for Our Community – Evening Community Services

President Burke reported on the recent activities of the Partners for Our Community – Evening Community Services.

Announcements

President Burke made the following announcements:

A. May	25	--	Last Day of Classes -- 2017-2018 School Term
B.	28	--	Memorial Day -- All District Buildings Closed
C.	30	--	First Day of First Semester Summer School
D. June	6	--	Budget and Finance Committee Meeting -- 5:30 p.m.
D.	14	--	Next Board of Education Meeting -- 7:30 p.m.
E.	20	--	Last Day of First Semester Summer School
F.	21	--	First Day of Second Semester Summer School
G. July	4	--	Independence Day -- All District Buildings Closed
H.	16	--	Last Day of Second Semester Summer School
I.	19	--	Board of Education Meeting -- 7:30 p.m.

President Burke thanked the Board members for attending events at the schools.

Closed Session

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rosenblum, that the Board of Education enter closed session to discuss minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act [5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (21)]; appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees [5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1)]; and collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, and deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees [5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (2)].

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Peter Dombrowski Will Hinshaw Anna Klimkowicz Robert LeFevre Steven Rosenblum Edward Yung Mucia Burke
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Education entered executive session at 9:05 p.m. and resumed its meeting at 10:29 p.m.

Acceptance of Retirement Requests

Mr. Yung made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hinshaw, that the Board of Education accepts the retirement requests of Bonnie Tierney, effective May 2021 according to the Master Contract of the District 211 Teachers' Union and Deborah Zolp, effective May 2019 according to the Master Contract of the District 211 United Support Staff.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Robert LeFevre Peter Dombrowski Anna Klimkowicz Steven Rosenblum Will Hinshaw Edward Yung Mucia Burke
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

Board Members' Discussion of the Evening's Board of Education Meeting

President Burke asked if Board members wished to share their impressions about the evening's Board of Education meeting. No one offered remarks about the meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education, President Burke thereupon declared the meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary, District 211

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President, District 211