

**TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 211
Palatine, Illinois**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
December 8, 2011
7:30 p.m.
(Official)**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, Township High School District 211, Cook County, Illinois was held on December 8, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. in the G.A. McElroy Administration Center at 1750 South Roselle Road, Palatine, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

On a roll call, the following officers and members were:

Physically Present:	George P. Brandt, Vice President and Member Mucia Burke, Member Richard Gerber, Member Anna Klimkowicz, Member Bill Robertson, Member Edward Yung, Secretary and Member Robert LeFevre, President and Member
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Present By Other Means:	None
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Absent:	None
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Also present were: Nancy N. Robb, Superintendent; members of the District administrative staff; interested citizens; and members of the press.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Recognition – State Award Winners

Superintendent Robb introduced Director of Athletics, Activities, and Career Development Otis Price. Mr. Price introduced Palatine High School Principal Gary Steiger, Athletic Director Jerry Dobbs, and Girls Diving Coach Kristina Sipowicz. Miss Sipowicz introduced and Mr. Steiger presented a medallion to Nicole Huffman for placing twelfth in 100-yard backstroke at the state girls diving competition.

Mr. Price introduced William Fremd High School Principal Lisa Small, Athletic Director Augustino Fontanetta, and Boys Soccer Coach Steven Keller. Mr. Keller introduced and Dr. Small presented medallions to Matthew Briars, Colton Caesuis, Lukasz Cholewa, Michael Eschbach, Nathan Hellwarth, Brian Hindle, Spencer Janes, Jeremy Kosacz, Eric Leonard, Jon Magnusson, Jared Niec, Eric Rohan, Eric Scott, Steven Soltykiewicz, Brock Von Holt, and Ryota Wada for their team placing third at the state boys soccer competition.

Mr. Price introduced William Fremd High School Girls Cross Country Coach Mark Anderson. Mr. Anderson introduced and Dr. Small presented a medallion to Kelly Breen for placing eighteenth at the state girls cross country competition.

Mr. Price introduced Hoffman Estates High School Principal James Britton and Girls Cross Country Coach Kirk Macnider. Mr. Macnider introduced and Mr. Britton presented a medallion to Haley Goers for placing eighth at the state girls cross country competition.

Mr. Price introduced Palatine High School Girls Cross Country Coach Joseph Parks. Mr. Parks introduced and Mr. Steiger presented a medallion to Jessica Lincoln for placing seventeenth at the state girls cross country competition.

Mr. Price introduced Palatine High School Boys Cross Country Coach Christopher Quick. Mr. Quick introduced and Mr. Steiger presented medallions to Peter Tomkiewicz for placing eleventh and Anthony Gregorio for placing eighteenth; and medallions to Graham Brown, Noah Brown, Andrew Clingerman, Marcus Garcia, Anthony Gregorio, Timothy Johnson, Joseph Mars, Timothy Meincke, Brian Smith, Zachary Stella, Peter Tomkiewicz, and Christian Zambrano for placing first at the state boys cross country competition.

Break

The Board of Education took a break from 7:51 p.m. to 8:02 p.m. while pictures were taken of award winners.

Citizens' Petitions and Appearances

President LeFevre asked if there was anyone present, not on the agenda, who wished to speak before the Board of Education. 56th District State Representative Michelle Mussman, addressed the Board regarding property taxes.

Public Hearing on the Proposed 2011 Tax Levy

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Robertson, that the public hearing on the proposed 2011 tax levy of Township High School District 211 is now open. The motion carried unanimously.

The public hearing opened at 8:06 p.m.

President LeFevre asked if there was anyone present who wished to address the Board of Education regarding the proposed tax levy. John Parker and Mark Puchalski, Schaumburg residents; and Ingrid Kopfman and Roy Klein, Hoffman Estates residents; addressed the Board regarding the proposed 2011 tax levy.

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the public hearing on the proposed 2011 tax levy of Township High School District 211 is now closed. The motion carried unanimously.

The public hearing closed at 8:18 p.m.

Presentation: Overview of Summer School Program

Director of Summer School, Evening Programs, and Continuing Education Charles Chamberlain presented an overview and answered Board members questions on the current summer school program.

Consent Agenda

Mrs. Klimkowitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the consent agenda, with the removal of the minutes of the regular meeting of November 10, 2011 be approved.

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

Aye: George Brandt
Mucia Burke
Richard Gerber
Anna Klimkowitz
Bill Robertson
Edward Yung
Robert LeFevre

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

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

***Approval of Minutes – Special Meeting of November 9, 2011**

Mrs. Klimkowitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the minutes of the special meeting of November 9, 2011 be approved and placed on file.

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

Aye: George Brandt
Mucia Burke
Richard Gerber
Anna Klimkowitz
Bill Robertson
Edward Yung
Robert LeFevre

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Closed Session Audio Tape Recordings**

Mrs. Klimkowitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that for the following Board of Education meetings at least 18 months prior to tonight’s meeting, the Board has approved written minutes of the closed session that comply with the Illinois Open Meetings Act. Furthermore, where verbatim recordings were created of those closed sessions, the Board Secretary is hereby authorized to direct the destruction of such verbatim recordings in accordance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act: June 17, 2010.

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

Aye: George Brandt
Mucia Burke
Richard Gerber
Anna Klimkowicz
Bill Robertson
Edward Yung
Robert LeFevre

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 \$14,456,228.69 be approved for payment.

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

Aye: George Brandt
Mucia Burke
Richard Gerber
Anna Klimkowicz
Bill Robertson
Edward Yung
Robert LeFevre

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Financial Report – As of October 31, 2011**

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 October 31, 2011 be approved and placed on file.

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

Aye: George Brandt
Mucia Burke
Richard Gerber
Anna Klimkowicz
Bill Robertson
Edward Yung
Robert LeFevre

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Investment Report – As of October 31, 2011**

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the investment report for the period ending October 31, 2011 be approved and placed on file.

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

Aye: George Brandt
Mucia Burke
Richard Gerber
Anna Klimkowicz
Bill Robertson
Edward Yung
Robert LeFevre

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Student Activities Report – As of October 31, 2011**

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the student activity, trust fund, and convenience fund report for the period ending October 31, 2011 be approved and placed on file.

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

Aye: George Brandt
Mucia Burke
Richard Gerber
Anna Klimkowicz
Bill Robertson
Edward Yung
Robert LeFevre

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Variance Report – As of October 31, 2011**

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the variance report for the period ending October 31, 2011 be approved and placed on file.

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

Aye: George Brandt
Mucia Burke
Richard Gerber
Anna Klimkowicz
Bill Robertson
Edward Yung
Robert LeFevre

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Indistrict Courses**

Mrs. Klimkowitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Superintendent be authorized to offer the indistrict courses “Assessment for Learning 101,” “Building Students Up,” “Building the Classroom Portal: Using Technology to Provide Students with Access to Classroom Material,” “Seminar for National Board Re-Certification,” and “Seminar for National Board Certification Take Two” as proposed.

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

Aye: George Brandt
Mucia Burke
Richard Gerber
Anna Klimkowitz
Bill Robertson
Edward Yung
Robert LeFevre

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Acceptance of Donations**

Mrs. Klimkowitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Board of Education formally accept the donations of a 1994 Mercury Grand Marquis LS from James Carlson and various weight room equipment from Nokia Siemens Networks US LLC; further, that letters of appreciation be sent, on the Board’s behalf, by the Superintendent.

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

Aye: George Brandt
Mucia Burke
Richard Gerber
Anna Klimkowitz
Bill Robertson
Edward Yung
Robert LeFevre

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Personnel Recommendations**

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

Full Time Teacher Employment:
(Partial 2011-2012 School Year)

Liller, Katrina; mathematics, Hoffman Estates High School
Miserendino, Michael; English; William Fremd High School

Child Care Leave:

Zydek, Jaclyn; special education, Hoffman Estates High School

Support Staff New Hires:

Casadas, Patricia; teacher assistant, Hoffman Estates High School
Hamblen, Zachery; custodian, James B. Conant High School
Havanssek, Jr., William; bus driver, G. A. McElroy Administration Center
Higgins, Jennifer; night media assistant, Palatine High School
Oakes, Mary; business clerk, James B. Conant High School
Perez-Follman, Alisa; teacher assistant, Academy-North
Teschner, Zachary; custodian, James B. Conant High School

Support Staff Departure:

Pickup, Jack; teacher assistant, Academy-North

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

Aye: George Brandt
Mucia Burke
Richard Gerber
Anna Klimkowicz
Bill Robertson
Edward Yung
Robert LeFevre

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of November 10, 2011

Mr. Yung made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Klimkowicz, that the minutes of the regular meeting of November 10, 2011 be approved and placed on file.

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

Aye: Mucia Burke
Richard Gerber
Anna Klimkowicz
Bill Robertson
Edward Yung
Robert LeFevre

Nay: None

Abstain: George Brandt

The motion carried.

Freedom of Information Act Requests

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

Schedule Design at Hoffman Estates High School

The Board of Education received a report on options for block scheduling at Hoffman Estates High School.

Graduation Dates for the Class of 2012

The Board of Education received the following graduation dates: Palatine High School, Sunday, June 3, 2012, 2:00 p.m. at Palatine High School; William Fremd High School, Sunday, June 3, 2012, 6:00 p.m. at the Sears Centre; James B. Conant High School, Sunday, June 3, 2012, 2:30 p.m. at the Sears Centre; Schaumburg High School, Sunday, June 3, 2012, 11:00 a.m. at the Sears Centre; Hoffman Estates High School, Thursday, May 31, 2012, 6:00 p.m. at Willow Creek Auditorium; and Alternative High School, District 211 Academy-North and District 211 Academy-South, Thursday, May 31, 2012, 7:00 p.m. at Hoffman Estates High School.

Adoption of the 2011 Tax Levy

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Board of Education approve the amount of \$197,943,072, excluding the Debt Service Fund, as the 2011 tax levy of Township High School District 211.

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

Aye: Richard Gerber
Bill Robertson
George Brandt
Anna Klimkowicz
Edward Yung
Mucia Burke
Robert LeFevre

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Board of Education adopt the resolution as presented to authorize and direct the County Clerk to abate a portion of the taxes levied for the year 2011 to pay debt service on \$50,470,000 Scholl Bonds, Series 2006, of Township High School District 211. (Attached to the official minutes)

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

Aye: Edward Yung
Mucia Burke
George Brandt
Richard Gerber
Anna Klimkowicz
Bill Robertson
Robert LeFevre

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Board Member Expenses

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Board of Education approve the Pre-Approval Form for Future Expense Reimbursement as submitted.

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

Aye: Anna Klimkowicz
Richard Gerber
Edward Yung
Mucia Burke
Bill Robertson
Robert LeFevre

Nay: George Brandt

The motion carried 6-1.

2010-2011 Audit of Board of Education Funds

President LeFevre introduced John Rossi, representative of Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP, Certified Public Accountants, who made a brief presentation and answered Board members questions on the 2010-2011 Audit of the Board of Education.

Mr. Yung made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Klimkowicz, that the Board of Education acknowledge receipt of the June 30, 2011 audit of Board of Education Funds as submitted by Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP, Certified Public Accountants.

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

Aye: Bill Robertson
George Brandt
Edward Yung
Mucia Burke
Richard Gerber
Anna Klimkowicz
Robert LeFevre

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

2011 Summer School Enrollment/Cost Analysis

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Board of Education accept the 2011 Summer School Enrollment and Cost Analysis Report as presented.

Aye:	Mucia Burke Edward Yung Anna Klimkowicz Richard Gerber George Brandt Bill Robertson Robert LeFevre
Nay:	None

The motion carried unanimously.

Student Class Rank Determination

Mr. Robertson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Board of Education approve the recommendation of the class rank committee that the practice of ranking students based upon GPA be discontinued as presented. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Revised District Improvement Plan

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Robertson, that the Board of Education directs the Superintendent to resubmit the 2010 District Improvement Plan using the prescribed ISBE reporting format. After discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Northwest Suburban Special Education Organization

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

Announcements

President LeFevre made the following announcements:

A. December	16	--	Winter Vacation Begins at the End of Classes
B.	23	--	Holiday – All District Buildings Closed
C.	26	--	Holiday – All District Buildings Closed
D.	30	--	Holiday – All District Buildings Closed
E. January	2	--	Holiday – All District Buildings Closed
F.	3	--	Opening Day of School After Winter Vacation
G.	16	--	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – All District Buildings Closed
H.	19	--	Next Board of Education Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
I.	20	--	Last Day of Classes – First Semester

Closed Session

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burke, that the Board of Education enter closed session to review closed session minutes; and discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; and litigation.

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

Aye: George Brandt
Mucia Burke
Richard Gerber
Anna Klimkowicz
Bill Robertson
Edward Yung
Robert LeFevre

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Education entered executive session at 9:13 p.m. and resumed its meeting at 9:36 p.m.

Litigation

Mrs. Burke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gerber, the Board of Education authorizes settlements in the pending workers' compensation matters.

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

Aye: Bill Robertson
Edward Yung
George Brandt
Anna Klimkowicz
Richard Gerber
Mucia Burke
Robert LeFevre

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gerber, that the Board of Education accept the retirement requests of Frank Afable, James B. Conant High School (June 2013); Rita Battaglia, Palatine High School (December 2012); Mickey Hartsburg, William Fremd High School (June 2013); Christine Lorentz, Hoffman Estates High School (June 2012); Linda Mayer, Hoffman Estates High School (June 2012); Raymond Schoenherr, William Fremd High School (June 2013); Lawrence Schwartz, Hoffman Estates High School (June 2012); Norman Schwartz, James B. Conant High School (June 2014); Rosalie Shallcross, James B. Conant High School (June 2012); Janet Shanahan, William Fremd High School (June 2012); and Raymond Zurawski, William Fremd High School (June 2013).

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

Aye: Mucia Burke
Richard Gerber
Anna Klimkowicz
Edward Yung
George Brandt
Bill Robertson
Robert LeFevre

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education, President LeFevre thereupon declared the meeting adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary, District 211

President, District 211