

TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 211
Palatine, Illinois

BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING

October 19, 2017

7:30 p.m.

(Official)

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, Township High School District 211, Cook County, Illinois was held on October 19, 2017 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:	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
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Present By Other Means:	Peter R. Dombrowski, Member
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Absent:	None
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Also present were: Superintendent Daniel E. Cates; 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.

National Merit Scholars

Superintendent Cates introduced Associate Superintendent for Student Services Mark Kovack. Mr. Kovack introduced and President Burke presented medallions to Anubhav Agarwal, James B. Conant High School; Abhinav Balu, William Fremd High School; Lisa Bonatz, Schaumburg High School; Adithya Chari, James B. Conant High School; Varun Cidambi, William Fremd High School; Bissmun Gill, William Fremd High School; Matthew Grabianski, William Fremd High School; Kailey Henson, William Fremd High School; Stephanie Hu, William Fremd High School; Jesse Huang, William Fremd High School; Kashif Javid, William Fremd High School; Annika Lafyatis, James B. Conant High School; Edward Li, William Fremd High School; Anna Miller, William Fremd High School; Ryohei Namiki, Hoffman Estates High School; Adhith Palla, William Fremd High School; Nicholas Parekh, William Fremd High School; Elizabeth Perez, William Fremd High School; Megha Ramanathan, Hoffman Estates High School; Shashank Sandu, Hoffman Estates High School; Bianca Saputra, James B. Conant High School; Lauren Streitmatter, William Fremd High School; NitinShankar Subramanian, James B. Conant High School; Edwin Suresh, Schaumburg High School; Bhargav Yadavalli, Palatine High School; Sarah Yamaguchi, James B. Conant High School; and Allison Zhang, James B. Conant High School.

Highest Possible Composite Score on the American College Testing (ACT) Exam

Superintendent Dr. Daniel Cates made the following comments:

“Each student who prepares for college is familiar with the emphasis placed on standardized college entrance exams, including the American College Test – or the ACT as it is commonly known. The highest composite score a student can earn on the ACT is a score of 36. Statistically, less than one-tenth of one-percent of students who take the ACT achieve this highest score. Tonight, we recognize seven students in District 211 who have achieved this remarkable accomplishment. Since we began tracking students who have achieved the highest possible score on the ACT twenty years ago, with the addition of our students tonight, we have now crossed the 100 mark for a twenty-year total of 104 students. On behalf of the Board of Education and High School District 211, I would like to congratulate each of them.”

Superintendent Cates introduced James B. Conant High School Mathematics Teacher Amar Patel. Mr. Patel introduced and President Burke presented a certificate to James B. Conant High School student Rajat Mittal for earning a 36, the highest possible composite score, on the June 2017 American College Test (ACT) examination.

Superintendent Cates introduced William Fremd High School Science Teacher Frank Goznikar. Mr. Goznikar introduced and President Burke presented a certificate to William Fremd High School student Gautham Arun for earning a 36, the highest possible composite score, on the June 2017 American College Test (ACT) examination.

Superintendent Cates introduced William Fremd High School Counselor Ashley Curtin. Mrs. Curtin introduced and President Burke presented a certificate to William Fremd High School student Hannah Chen for earning a 36, the highest possible composite score, on the June 2017 American College Test (ACT) examination.

Superintendent Cates introduced William Fremd High School Mathematics Teacher Jeremy Moon. Mr. Moon introduced and President Burke presented a certificate to William Fremd High School student Kristina Chen for earning a 36, the highest possible composite score, on the June 2017 American College Test (ACT) examination.

Superintendent Cates introduced William Fremd High School English Teacher Becky Schomer. Mrs. Schomer introduced and President Burke presented a certificate to William Fremd High School student Jonathon Lee for earning a 36, the highest possible composite score, on the April 2017 American College Test (ACT) examination.

Superintendent Cates introduced William Fremd High School Science Teacher Karl Craddock. Mr. Craddock introduced and President Burke presented a certificate to William Fremd High School student Edward Li for earning a 36, the highest possible composite score, on the June 2017 American College Test (ACT) examination.

Superintendent Cates introduced William Fremd High School English Teacher Christie O'Donnell. Ms. O'Donnell introduced and President Burke presented a certificate to William Fremd High School student Adhith Palla for earning a 36, the highest possible composite score, on the June 2017 American College Test (ACT) examination.

Energy Star Recognition

Superintendent Dr. Daniel Cates made the following comments:

“Energy Star is a United States Environmental Protection Agency volunteer program that helps business and individuals save money and protect our climate through energy efficiency. Each year, the EPA and the Department of Energy jointly honor organizations that have made outstanding contributions to protecting the environment.

I am proud to announce that all five District 211 high schools have each earned Energy Star building certification for 2017. Our five high schools represent five of only fourteen schools in the state of Illinois that have achieved 2017 Energy Star building status. Nationally, there are even fewer recognized, with less than one-half of one percent of schools achieving this energy conservation status.

These awards serve as acknowledgement of our staff’s commitment and dedication to continuous improvement in energy efficiency. To help translate the impact of these energy efficiencies, this is the thirteenth year of the District’s monitored energy conservation efforts. During this time, District 211 has saved \$16 million in energy costs; this is money that we can then direct back to classrooms to benefit students.

We are very appreciative of everyone’s efforts. Each of our schools will receive an Energy Star plaque to display at their school in recognition of this award.”

On behalf of the Board of Education, Superintendent Cates recognized representatives from each school – James B. Conant High School Principal Julie Nowak, William Fremd High School Assistant Principal Eric Dolen, Palatine High School Principal Gary Steiger, Schaumburg High School Principal Tim Little, and Hoffman Estates High School Assistant Principal Brian Harlan – along with Director of Facilities and Business Services Christopher Kontney and Facilities Engineer Nick Jahnke for the schools’ achievement of the Energy Star Award from the Environmental Protection Agency and the United States Department of Energy for the schools.

President Burke extended congratulations, on behalf of the Board of Education, to the students, parents, and staff here this evening for their work well done.

Break

The Board of Education took a break from 7:56 p.m. to 8:07 p.m. while pictures were taken of recognition award winners.

Citizens’ Petitions and Appearances

President Burke asked if there was anyone present, who is not on the agenda or who did not sign in on the speaker sign-in sheets and would like to address the Board.

John Parker addressed the Board regarding the Board of Education’s role for the upcoming teachers’ contract negotiations and District 211’s funding level relative to its percent level of adequacy.

Presentation: 2017 Tax Levy

Superintendent Cates introduced Chief Operating Officer Lauren Hummel and Controller and Treasurer Barbara Peterson. Mrs. Hummel and Mrs. Peterson presented information and Mrs. Hummel, Mrs. Peterson, and Superintendent Cates answered Board members’ questions on the 2017 tax levy considerations.

Consent Agenda

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

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

***Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of September 28, 2017**

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the minutes of the regular meeting of September 28, 2017 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

The motion carried unanimously.

***Approval of Bills for Payment**

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that bills in the amount of \$3,260,759.10 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.

***Resolution Authorizing Intervention in Proceedings Before the State Property Tax Appeal Board**

Mrs. Klimkowitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Board of Education approve the resolution authorizing intervention in proceedings before the state property tax appeal board which seeks an assessed valuation reduction in excess of \$100,000 for property tax year 2014 (Docket No. 14-34750.001-C-3); and, further, authorize Franczek Radelet, as the Board of Education’s legal representative, to file Request to Intervene in Appeal Proceeding forms with the property tax appeal board on the property for which the District receives notification of appeal (attached to official minutes).

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

Aye:	Peter Dombrowski Will Hinshaw Anna Klimkowitz Robert LeFevre Steven Rosenblum Edward Yung Mucia Burke
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried unanimously.

***Acceptance of Donations - Automobiles**

Mrs. Klimkowitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Board of Education formally accepts the donations of a 2003 Mitsubishi Montero Sport from Sabina Becirovic, a 2006 Ford Escape from Cynthia Ershen, and a 1995 Ford Taurus LX Station Wagon from Kevin Hayden; 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:	Peter Dombrowski Will Hinshaw Anna Klimkowitz Robert LeFevre Steven Rosenblum Edward Yung Mucia Burke
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried unanimously.

***Request for Policy Exemption**

Mrs. Klimkowitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Board of Education permit the William Fremd High School Service Over Self club to conduct door-to-door solicitation of non-perishable items for charity on October 31, 2017, as requested, pursuant to Board Policy File KA: School Community Relations Goals.

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.

Support Staff New Hires

Breda, Daniel; custodian, Schaumburg High School
Butler, Ana; teacher assistant, Schaumburg High School
Fernandez-Ibarra, Julio; teacher assistant, Schaumburg High School
Haas, Kallie; teacher assistant, Hoffman Estates High School
Kozar, Caroline; human resources information system specialist, G. A. McElroy Administration Center
Mikkelsen, Jerod; teacher assistant, William Fremd High School
Okigawa, Charlene; support staff, Hoffman Estates High School
Petykowski, Jonathan; teacher assistant, Palatine High School
Serrano, Ruby; teacher assistant, William Fremd High School
Varga, Katrina; teacher assistant, James B. Conant High School
Wisniewski, RaeAnn; teacher assistant, Higgins Education Center

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.

2017 Summer School Enrollment/Cost Analysis

The Board of Education received a report on the 2017 summer school enrollment/cost analysis.

Post-High School Planning Nights

The Board of Education received and discussed a report on the Post-High School Planning Nights.

2017-2018 Free and Reduced-Price Meal Eligibility

The Board of Education received, reviewed, and discussed a report on the 2017-2018 free and reduced-price meal eligibility data and information.

District 211 Professional Development Opportunities

The Board of Education received a report on the District 211 Professional Development opportunities.

Community Connections Newsletters – Strategic Plan Update

The Board of Education received an update on the *Community Connections* newsletters and District 211's Strategic Plan.

Sixty-Plus Acre Property: Optimization of Land Use

The Board of Education received a report on the sixty-plus acre property with information detailing the actions taken throughout the last year to identify how the District might optimize this asset. Mr. LeFevre made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hinshaw, that the Superintendent and his designees be authorized and directed to take all necessary steps to begin preparing for the sale of the District's sixty-two acres of land north of Wise Road between Plum Grove Road and Summit Drive in Schaumburg, including all recent appraisals of the property, ordering new appraisals if necessary, verifying the condition, ordering a new title commitment, obtaining a survey if necessary, and drafting the necessary Board documents and notices.

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

Aye:	Will Hinshaw Robert LeFevre Edward Yung Anna Klimkowicz Steven Rosenblum Mucia Burke
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Nay:	Peter Dombrowski
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The motion carried 6-1.

The Board further discussed having the consideration of the necessary steps to prepare for the sale of the District's sixty-two acres of land north of Wise Road between Plum Grove Road and Summit Drive in Schaumburg included on the agenda for review at a future Board of Education meeting. No one objected.

Proposed Policy Revision: Participation in Athletics in Extracurricular Activities

Mr. Hinshaw made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Klimkowitz, that Board policy file: IGDB Participation in Athletics or Extracurricular Activities be revised as proposed and included in the Board Policy Manual; further, that the Superintendent be directed to make appropriate distribution. The motion carried unanimously.

Illinois Association of School Boards Resolutions 2017

The Board of Education received, reviewed, and discussed the Illinois Association of School Boards proposed resolutions to be considered at the upcoming delegate assembly of the Illinois Association of School Boards concerning student safety and protection, school as polling place reimbursement, one-percent sales tax statewide, open meetings-discuss shared staff, and PARCC testing results.

School Calendar for 2019-2020

Mrs. Klimkowitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Board of Education approves the school calendar for the 2019-2020 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

Summer School Calendar for 2019 and 2020

Mrs. Klimkowitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Board of Education approves the modified summer school calendar for the summer of 2019. The motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Klimkowitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Board of Education approves the summer school calendar for the summer of 2020. The motion carried unanimously.

Alternative Fuel School Buses

The Board of Education received and reviewed information on alternative fuel school buses.

Request for Foreign Exchange Trips

Mrs. Klimkowitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that the Board of Education approves participation in six foreign exchange trips as proposed for the summer of 2018. District 211 reserves the right to cancel any travel that the District deems unsafe or to not be in the best interest of District 211. The motion carried unanimously.

Northwest Suburban Special Education Organization

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

Education Research Development/Legislative Report

Mr. Dombrowski reported on the recent ED-RED Kick-Off Meeting and recent legislation.

Partners for Our Community – Evening Community Services

Mr. Kovack and Superintendent Cates reported on the recent Partners for Our Community – Evening Community Services activities and the utilization of the facility by partners in the community.

Budget and Finance Committee

Mr. LeFevre reported on the April 19, 2017 Budget and Finance Committee meeting.

Announcements

President Burke made the following announcements:

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| A. | October | 30 | -- Schaumburg High School National Honor Society Induction
-- 7:00 p.m. -- Mr. Rosenblum Attending |
| B. | November | 1 | -- Hoffman Estates High School Fall Sports Awards -- 7:00
p.m. -- Mrs. Burke Attending |
| C. | | 6 | -- James B. Conant High School Fall Sports Awards --
7:00 p.m. -- Mr. Hinshaw Attending |
| D. | | 8 | -- Schaumburg High School Fall Sports Awards -- 6:00 p.m.
-- Mr. Rosenblum Attending |
| E. | | 9 | -- Next Regular Board of Education Meeting -- 7:30 p.m. |
| F. | | 14 | -- William Fremd High School Fall Sports Awards -- 7:00
p.m. -- Mrs. Klimkowicz attending |
| G. | | 15 | -- Hoffman Estates High School National Honor Society
Induction -- 7:00 p.m. -- Mrs. Burke Attending |
| H. | | 16 | -- District 211 Foundation Realtors Against Homelessness --
Chandler's -- 5:00 p.m. |

Closed Session

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, 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)]; the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees [5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1)]; matter relating to an individual student [5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (10)]; setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body [5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (6)]; and collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives [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
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Education entered executive session at 9:34 p.m. and resumed its meeting at 10:35 p.m.

Discipline of Staff Member

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yung, that employee Nancy Kazmer be suspended for three (3) days without pay; further that the Board Secretary notify said employee in writing of this action by the Board of Education.

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

Aye: Will Hinshaw
Robert LeFevre
Edward Yung
Peter Dombrowski
Steven Rosenblum
Anna Klimkowicz
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 remarks about this evening's Board of Education meeting. No one offered comments about the meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education, President Burke thereupon declared the meeting adjourned at 10:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary, District 211

President, District 211