

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

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
April 24, 2014  
7:30 p.m.  
(Official)**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, Township High School District 211, Cook County, Illinois was held on April 24, 2014 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, Member  
                                                  Mucia Burke, Vice President and Member  
                                                  Richard Gerber, Member  
                                                  Robert LeFevre, Member  
                                                  Mike Scharringhausen, Member  
                                                  Bill Robertson, President and Member

Present By Other Means:           None

Absent:                                   Anna Klimkowicz, Secretary and Member

Also present were: Nancy N. Robb, Superintendent; members of the District administrative staff; interested citizens; and members of the press.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

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

**Recognition – State Award Winners**

Superintendent Robb introduced Director of Athletics and Activities Augustino Fontanetta. Mr. Fontanetta introduced Hoffman Estates High School Principal James Britton, Assistant Principal Russell Cumings, and Science Teacher Suzanne Fetherling. Miss Fetherling introduced and Mr. Britton presented a medallion to Milan Patel for placing sixth in chemistry at the state worldwide youth in science and engineering competition.

### **Recognition – 2014 Infinitec Outstanding Student Technology Award**

Mr. Fontanetta introduced Hoffman Estates High School Special Education Teacher Melissa Colella. Miss Colella introduced and Mr. Britton presented a plaque to Joshua Lichwa for receiving the 2014 Outstanding Student Technology Award from Infinitec.

### **Recognition – Illinois High School Art Exhibition**

Mr. Fontanetta introduced Hoffman Estates High School Art Department Chair Cynthia Surtz. Mrs. Surtz introduced Hoffman Estates High School Art Teacher Juan Medina. Mr. Medina accepted a plaque on behalf of Antonio Alfaro for placing first in sculpture at the Illinois High School art exhibition.

### **Recognition – Scholastic Writing Awards**

Mr. Fontanetta introduced William Fremd High School Principal Lisa Small and English Teacher Gary Anderson. Mr. Anderson introduced and Dr. Small presented a medallion to Annie Zheng for earning a silver medal in the 2014 National Scholastic Writing competition.

### **Recognition – Illinois High School Association Girls Gymnastics Coach of the Year**

Superintendent Robb introduced William Fremd High School Girls Gymnastics Coach Elissa Ference and made the following comments:

Fremd High School Girls Gymnastics Coach Elissa Ference is being recognized this evening for being named the 2014 Girls Gymnastics Coach of the Year by the Illinois High School Association.

Elissa graduated from Palatine High School, where she also competed in gymnastics. Before being named head girls gymnastics coach at Fremd High School in 2013, she served as an assistant coach for both Fremd and Palatine High Schools.

In her two years as the Vikings' head coach, she has lead her girls' teams to back-to-back Mid-Suburban League Championships and a 3rd place at the state meet this past season. Elissa also was honored as the 2014 MSL Coach of the Year.

On behalf of the Board of Education, congratulations Elissa, and thank you for your continued commitment to Fremd High School and your student-athletes.

President Robertson presented a plaque to Miss Ference for being named the 2014 Illinois High School Association Girls Gymnastics Coach of the Year.

### **Recognition – Parent Club Presidents**

Mrs. Burke introduced and Mr. Robertson presented plaques to Parent Club Presidents Julie Rhodes, James B. Conant High School Booster Club; Michael Anzalone, James B. Conant High School Band Booster Club; Scott Beutler, William Fremd High School Viking Booster Club; Jill Rusten, William Fremd High School Music Association; Thomas Goodrich, Hoffman Estates High School Loyal Parents; Debbie Rohrwasser, Palatine High School Pirate Booster Club; Pamela Lawrence Groves and Pam Pelarinos, Schaumburg High School Very Interested Parents; and David Christopher,

Schaumburg High School Band Booster Club for service to District 211 schools during the 2013-2014 school year.

**Break**

The Board of Education took a break from 7:49 p.m. to 7:58 p.m. while pictures were taken of recognition award winners.

**Citizens' Petitions and Appearances**

President Robertson asked if there was anyone present, not on the agenda, who wished to speak before the Board of Education. No one came forward.

**Consent Agenda**

Mr. LeFevre requested that Item G, Resolutions Authorizing Intervention in Proceedings Before the State Property Tax Appeal Board be removed from the consent agenda.

Mrs. Burke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gerber, that the consent agenda, with the removal of Item G, Resolutions Authorizing Intervention in Proceedings Before the State Property Tax Appeal Board be approved as presented.

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

Aye:	George Brandt Mucia Burke Richard Gerber Robert LeFevre Mike Scharringhausen Bill Robertson
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried unanimously.

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

**\*Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of April 10, 2014**

Mrs. Burke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gerber, that the minutes of the regular meeting of April 10, 2014 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 Robert LeFevre Mike Scharringhausen Bill Robertson
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Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**\*Approval of Bills for Payment**

Mrs. Burke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gerber, that bills in the amount of \$14,598,173.38 be approved for payment.

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

Aye: George Brandt  
Mucia Burke  
Richard Gerber  
Robert LeFevre  
Mike Scharringhausen  
Bill Robertson

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**\*Financial Report – As of March 31, 2014**

Mrs. Burke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gerber, that the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, Other Financing Sources (Uses) and Changes in Fund Balance for the period ending March 31, 2014 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  
Robert LeFevre  
Mike Scharringhausen  
Bill Robertson

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**\*Investment Report – As of March 31, 2014**

Mrs. Burke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gerber, that the investment report for the period ending March 31, 2014 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  
Robert LeFevre  
Mike Scharringhausen  
Bill Robertson

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**\*Student Activities Report – As of March 31, 2014**

Mrs. Burke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gerber, that the student activity, trust fund, and convenience fund report for the period ending March 31, 2014 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  
Robert LeFevre  
Mike Scharringhausen  
Bill Robertson

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**\*Variance Report – As of March 31, 2014**

Mrs. Burke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gerber, that the variance report for the period ending March 31, 2014 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  
Robert LeFevre  
Mike Scharringhausen  
Bill Robertson

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**\*Proposed Indistrict Professional Learning Opportunities Summer 2014**

Mrs. Burke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gerber, that the Superintendent be authorized to offer the following professional learning opportunities for indistrict credit “Gamification in the Classroom”, “Transforming Learning and Units of Study within a Digital Environment”, “Transforming Students from Consumers to Producers”, “Title I Creating a Student Centered Classroom: The Larry Geni Project”, “2014 Digital Learning 10”, “2014 Digital Learning 20”, “2014 Digital Learning 30”, “Digital Classroom Management”, “Explain Everything”, and “TurnItIn.Com” as proposed.

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

Aye:	George Brandt Mucia Burke Richard Gerber Robert LeFevre Mike Scharringhausen Bill Robertson
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried unanimously.

**\*Acceptance of Donations**

Mrs. Burke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gerber, that the Board of Education formally accept the donation of miscellaneous office supplies from Cricket Wireless in Rolling Meadows; further, that a letter 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 Robert LeFevre Mike Scharringhausen Bill Robertson
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried unanimously.

**\*Bids for Consideration**

Mrs. Burke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gerber, that for the bids listed below, the Board of Education award the business to the lowest responsible bidders as listed in the administrative bid recommendation dated April 24, 2014 (attached to official minutes):

1. Office remodeling general trades for James B. Conant High School – \$ 1,190,000.00  
RB Construction, Inc.

2.	Office remodeling electrical for James B. Conant High School – American Electric Construction Company, Inc.	\$ 1,082,700.00
3.	Office remodeling HVAC for James B. Conant High School – Amber Mechanical Contractors, Inc.	\$ 848,000.00
4.	Office remodeling flooring for James B. Conant High School – Vortex Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 309,841.00
5.	Office remodeling masonry for James B. Conant High School – JAC Masonry.	\$ 241,200.00
6.	Applied technology equipment for all the schools – six vendors.	\$ 228,950.72
7.	Office remodeling plumbing for James B. Conant High School – Jensen’s Plumbing & Heating.	\$ 172,900.00
8.	Office remodeling fire suppression for James B. Conant High School – USA Fire Protection, Inc.	\$ 110,250.00
9.	Office remodeling steel for James B. Conant High School – S.G. Krauss Co.	\$ 104,000.00
10.	Science equipment for all the schools – three vendors.	\$ 26,231.61
11.	Family and consumer science equipment for Palatine, Conant, Schaumburg and Hoffman Estates High Schools – three vendors.	\$ 15,125.47
	TOTAL:	<u>\$ 4,329,198.80</u>

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

Aye: George Brandt  
Mucia Burke  
Richard Gerber  
Robert LeFevre  
Mike Scharringhausen  
Bill Robertson

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

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

Mr. LeFevre made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burke, that Resolutions Authorizing Intervention in Proceedings Before the State Property Tax Appeal Board be separated by commercial and residential appeals.

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

Aye: George Brandt  
Mucia Burke  
Richard Gerber  
Robert LeFevre  
Mike Scharringhausen  
Bill Robertson

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. LeFevre made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gerber, that the Board of Education approve the resolutions authorizing intervention in proceedings before the state property tax appeal board which seek assessed valuation reductions in excess of \$100,000 for property tax year 2012 (Docket Nos. 12-25425.001-C-2, 12-25425.002-C-2, 12-25425.003-C-2 and 12-25425.004-C-2); 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 properties 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: George Brandt  
Mucia Burke  
Richard Gerber  
Robert LeFevre  
Mike Scharringhausen  
Bill Robertson

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. LeFevre made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burke, that the Board of Education approve the resolutions authorizing intervention in proceedings before the state property tax appeal board which seek assessed valuation reductions in excess of \$100,000 for property tax year 2011 (Docket Nos. 11-24560.003-R-3, 11-24560.004-R-3, 11-24560.005-R-3, 11-24560.006-R-3, 11-24560.009-R-3, 11-24560.012-R-3, 11-24560.013-R-3, 11-24560.039-R-3, 11-24560.041-R-3, 11-24560.043-R-3, 11-24560.044-R-3, 11-24560.045-R-3, 11-24560.046-R-3, 11-24560.051-R-3, 11-24560.052-R-3, 11-24560.053-R-3, 11-24560.054-R-3, 11-24560.059-R-3, 11-24560.060-R-3, 11-24560.061-R-3, 11-24560.062-R-3, 11-24560.063-R-3, 11-24560.067-R-3, 11-24560.068-R-3, 11-24560.070-R-3, 11-24560.075-R-3, 11-24560.076-R-3, 11-24560.077-R-3, 11-24560.079-R-3, 11-24560.080-R-3, 11-24560.081-R-3, 11-24560.083-R-3, 11-24560.084-R-3, 11-24560.085-R-3, 11-24560.086-R-3, 11-24560.088-R-3, 11-24560.091-R-3, 11-24560.092-R-3, 11-24560.093-R-3, 11-24560.094-R-3, 11-24560.095-R-3, 11-24560.098-R-3, 11-24560.099-R-3, 11-24560.100-R-3, 11-24560.101-R-3, 11-24560.102-R-3, 11-24560.107-R-3, 11-24560.108-R-3, 11-24560.109-R-3, 11-24560.110-R-3, 11-24560.115-R-3, 11-24560.116-R-3, 11-24560.118-R-3, 11-24560.120-R-3, 11-24560.122-R-3, 11-24560.123-R-3, 11-24560.124-R-3, 11-24560.125-R-3, 11-24560.126-R-3, 11-24560.129-R-3, 11-24560.131-R-3, 11-24560.132-R-3, 11-24560.133-R-3, 11-24560.134-R-3, 11-24560.135-R-3, 11-



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

Aye:	George Brandt Mucia Burke Richard Gerber Robert LeFevre Mike Scharringhausen Bill Robertson
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried unanimously.

### **Freedom of Information Act Request**

The Board of Education received a report on a Freedom of Information Act request and response.

### **Proposed New Policy: Teen Dating Violence**

Mrs. Burke made a motion, seconded by Mr. LeFevre, that Board policy file: GBCBC/JFH Teen Dating Violence be adopted and included in the Board Policy Manual; further, that the Superintendent be directed to make appropriate distribution. After discussion, the Board agreed to send the policy back to the Board Policy Committee for further review.

### **Proposed Policy Revision: Truancy**

Mr. Gerber made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Burke, that Board policy file: JEDA Truancy be revised and included in the Board Policy Manual; further, that the Superintendent be directed to make appropriate distribution. The motion carried unanimously. (Attached to official minutes)

### **Capital Improvement Funding Considerations**

Mrs. Burke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gerber, that the Board of Education approve authority to seek life safety amendments for the pools, natatorium, and pool locker rooms at all five high schools and for the Barrington Orthopedic Building and authorize the appropriate documents to be filed with the Cook County Regional Office of Education and the Illinois State Board of Education.

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

Aye: Robert LeFevre  
Mike Scharringhausen  
Richard Gerber  
George Brandt  
Mucia Burke  
Bill Robertson

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**Bids for Consideration – Swimming Pool & Natatorium Renovation**

Mr. Gerber made a motion, seconded by Mr. Scharringhausen, that for the bids listed below, the Board of Education award the business to the lowest responsible bidders as listed in the administrative bid recommendation dated April 24, 2014 (attached to official minutes):

1. HVAC for all the schools – Amber Mechanical.	\$ 5,489,000.00
2. Concrete and excavation for the schools – Elliot Construction.	\$ 3,850,000.00
3. General trades for all the schools – Frontier Construction.	\$ 3,760,045.00
4. Pool equipment – two vendors.	\$ 3,613,300.00
5. Electrical for all the schools – Carey Electric Contractors, Inc.	\$ 2,655,000.00
6. Flooring for all the schools – three vendors.	\$ 2,450,088.00
7. Plumbing for all the schools – two vendors.	\$ 2,254,347.00
8. Masonry for all the schools – three vendors.	\$ 1,879,355.00
9. Steel for all the schools – S.G. Krauss.	\$ 1,230,675.00
10. Demolition for all the schools – two vendors.	\$ 970,200.00
11. Fire suppression for all the schools – USA Fire Protection.	\$ 534,370.00
12. Painting for all the schools – two vendors.	\$ 315,715.00
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TOTAL:	\$ 29,002,095.00

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

Aye: Mike Scharringhausen  
George Brandt  
Robert LeFevre  
Richard Gerber  
Mucia Burke  
Bill Robertson

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

### **Barrington Orthopedic Lease Agreement**

Mr. Gerber made a motion, seconded by Mr. Scharringhausen, that the Board of Education approves the ten-year lease agreement with an option to purchase, for the property at 1030 West Higgins Road in Hoffman Estates, effective June 1, 2014.

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

Aye: Richard Gerber  
George Brandt  
Mucia Burke  
Mike Scharringhausen  
Robert LeFevre  
Bill Robertson

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

### **Appointment of Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer**

Mr. Gerber made a motion, seconded by Mr. Scharringhausen, that the Board of Education adopt the resolution to appoint Barbara Peterson as School Treasurer and Lauren Hummel as Assistant School Treasurer of Township High School District 211 effective July 1, 2014; and further, secure a treasurer bond from Zurich Fidelity and Deposit Surety Co. in the amount of \$16,000, and a treasurer bond from Lloyd's of London in the amount of \$18,343. (Attached to official minutes)

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

Aye: Mucia Burke  
Robert LeFevre  
Mike Scharringhausen  
Richard Gerber  
George Brandt  
Bill Robertson

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

### **Athletic Training Services**

Mr. Gerber made a motion, seconded by Mr. Scharringhausen, that the Board of Education approve the contract agreement with Athletico to provide assistant athletic training services at a rate of \$25 per hour for 2014-2015, 2015-2016, and 2016-2017; and further, that the Board of Education approve the employment of four (4) full-time, 12 month salaried and accredited head athletic trainers at Palatine, William Fremd, Schaumburg, and Hoffman Estates High Schools effective July 1, 2014.

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

Aye: George Brandt  
Robert LeFevre  
Mucia Burke  
Mike Scharringhausen  
Richard Gerber  
Bill Robertson

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

### **Capital Improvement Funding Considerations**

Chief Operating Officer-Elect Lauren Hummel and Controller and Treasurer-Elect Barbara Peterson presented an update and answered Board members questions on capital improvement funding considerations.

### **Education Research Development/Legislative Report**

Mr. Gerber reported on the recent activities of Ed-Red.

### **Announcements**

President Robertson made the following announcements:

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| A. | April | 29 | -- | Hoffman Estates High School Academic Scholar Dinner – Seville – 6:00 p.m. – Mrs. Klimkowicz Attending  |
| B. |       | 30 | -- | Schaumburg High School Academic Scholar Dinner – 6:00 p.m. – Mrs. Burke Attending                      |
| C. | May   | 8  | -- | Next Board of Education Meeting – 7:30 p.m.                                                            |
| D. |       | 15 | -- | James B. Conant High School Honors Convocation – 7:30 p.m. – Mrs. Klimkowicz Attending                 |
| E. |       | 17 | -- | District 211 Honors Band Concert – James B. Conant High School – 2:00 p.m. – Mrs. Klimkowicz Attending |
| F. |       | 19 | -- | William Fremd High School Honors Convocation – 7:00 p.m.                                               |
| G. |       | 20 | -- | Hoffman Estates High School Honors Convocation – 7:00 p.m. – Mrs. Klimkowicz Attending                 |
| H. |       | 21 | -- | Palatine High School Academic Awards Night – 7:00 p.m. – Mrs. Klimkowicz Attending                     |

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| I. | 22 | -- | Schaumburg High School Honors Convocation – 7:00 p.m. |
| J. | 22 | -- | Board of Education Meeting – 7:30 p.m.                |

### **Closed Session**

Mr. LeFevre made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gerber, 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; matter relating to individual student; and collective negotiations.

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

Aye:	George Brandt Mucia Burke Richard Gerber Robert LeFevre Mike Scharringhausen Bill Robertson
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Education entered executive session at 8:46 p.m. and resumed its meeting at 10:08 p.m.

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

Mr. Scharringhausen made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gerber, that effective July 1, 2014 Kara Prusko be appointed Assistant Director of Special Education at a net salary of \$103,970.80 with a gross salary of \$116,000.

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

Aye:	Mike Scharringhausen Mucia Burke Robert LeFevre George Brandt Richard Gerber Bill Robertson
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Gerber made a motion, seconded by Mr. Scharringhausen, that the following first-year teacher assistants not be re-employed for the 2014-2015 school year due to a decrease in the number of positions available at this time. Be it further resolved that said employees be notified by certified mail by the Board of Education Secretary of their terminations and honorable dismissals as teacher assistants in this school district, stating the reason for their dismissals, in accordance with the *Illinois School Code*.

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

Aye: Richard Gerber  
Mike Scharringhausen  
George Brandt  
Mucia Burke  
Robert LeFevre  
Bill Robertson

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education, President Robertson thereupon declared the meeting adjourned at 10:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary, District 211

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President, District 211