

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
LEMONT-BROMBEREK CSD 113A
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
OLD QUARRY LRC
LEMONT, ILLINOIS 60439
Monday, April 18, 2011**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Lisa Wright called to order the Regular Meeting of the Lemont-Bromberek CSD 113A Board of Education at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 18, 2011 in the Old Quarry LRC.

A. Roll Call

Sandra Larek conducted the roll call. Upon roll being called, the following board members were present: Lisa Wright, President, Kevin Doherty, Vice President, Andreas Taylor, Secretary, Sue Murphy, Janet Hughes, Karen Siston, and John Wood.

Board Members Absent: None

Administration present: Tim Ricker, Superintendent, Mary Gricus, Assistant Superintendent, Jay Tovia, Interim Treasurer, Susan Wulczyn, Director/Student Services, Cathy Slee, Principal/Oakwood, Joanne Policht, Asst. Principal/Oakwood, Bill Caron, Principal/Old Quarry, Debby Lynch, Principal/River Valley, Gina Rodewald, Principal/Central School, and Sandra Larek, Administrative Assistant.

Staff Present (**from sign in sheet**): Maggie Burkhardt, Julie Hayes, Lynda Schwartz, Deb Zaremski, Renee Steffan, Wendy Berner, Mary Staudt, Judy Lulek, Tracy Simon, Michelle Nevin,

Audience Members (**from sign in sheet, if legible**): Amanda and Rick Kuzminsa, Cindy Kelly, Amanda Luevano, Janice Hoppe, Ginger Reilly, Lynn Kroll, Mike Madden, Laura Reigle, Jim Jandora, Patti Thornber, Jean Cairo, Sue Tuscher, Dawn Hinkle, Mara Tunzi, Kelly Szymanski, Kristy Lambrakis, Wendy McCleary, Dave Molitor, Duane Bradley, Carolyn Cesarz, Judy Bronner,

Presenters: Don Weber of PMA

B. Pledge of Allegiance led by Andy Taylor

C. Approval of the Agenda, as Presented:

A motion was made by John Wood, seconded by Sue Murphy, to approve the agenda, as presented.

Upon the roll being called, the members voted as follows:

John Wood	yes	
Lisa Wright	yes	
Karen Siston	yes	
Kevin Doherty	yes	
Janet Hughes		no
Sue Murphy	yes	
Andreas Taylor	yes	

With a vote of Yeas 6 and Nays 1, the President declared the motion passed.

D. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by John Wood, seconded by Andy Taylor, to approve the Open Session Minutes of the Lemont-Bromberek CSD113A Board of Education dated March 21st and April 11th, 2011 and to approve the Closed Session Minutes of the Lemont-Bromberek CSD113A Board of Education dated March 21st and April 11th, 2011, as submitted.

Upon the roll being called, the members voted as follows:

John Wood	yes	
Lisa Wright	yes	
Karen Siston		no
Kevin Doherty	yes	
Janet Hughes		no
Sue Murphy	yes	
Andreas Taylor	yes	

With a vote of Yeas 5 and Nays 2, the President declared the motion passed.

E. Recognition of the First Place Conference Champions in the SDEAA Scholastic Bowl

Dr. Caron explained the Scholastic Bowl competition and the areas covered in the contest.

Dr. Caron introduced Mrs. Saulys, the Scholastic Bowl's Coach, who provided information regarding the Scholastic Bowl and introduced the seventh and eighth grade members of the team

Certificates were presented to the participants of the SDEAA Scholastic Bowl by the Board of Education.

2. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

James Jandora – 9 Woodland Drive, Lemont, IL 60439

- Town hall meeting
- Referendum
- Taxes
- Compensation Reductions
- Consolidation of Districts
- Meeting dates

Laura Reigle – 11S236 Carpenter, Lemont, IL 60439

- Attorney invoice
- Copier contracts

3. MOTION TO ADJOURN TO PUBLIC HEARING

A motion was made by Andreas Taylor, seconded by John Wood, to adjourn to hold a Public Hearing for waiver for modification of Section 24-2 of School Code under Public Act 96-640 to allow school districts to use legal school holidays for other purposes.

Upon the roll being called, the members voted as follows:

John Wood	yes
Lisa Wright	yes
Karen Siston	yes
Kevin Doherty	yes

Janet Hughes yes
Sue Murphy yes
Andreas Taylor yes

With a vote of Yeas 7, the President declared the motion passed.

4. PUBLIC HEARING – CALENDAR WAIVER

Dr. Caron and Gina Rodewald provided an explanation of the changes in the school calendar for next year including:

- Starting and ending dates
- Thanksgiving, Winter and Spring breaks
- Aligning many dates with the high school
- Waiver for Casmir Pulaski holiday (falls during ISAT testing)
- Template for the 2012-2013 calendar

Gina thanked the fourteen members of the calendar committee, including parents from each school, for their contributions to the committee.

B. Public Comments - None

C. Adjourn the Public Hearing on the School Calendar

A. A motion was made by Karen Siston, seconded by Janet Hughes, to adjourn the hearing for Waiver for Modification of Section 24-2 of School Code under Public Act 6-640 to allow districts to use legal school holidays for other purposes.

Upon the roll being called, the members voted as follows:

John Wood yes
Lisa Wright yes
Karen Siston yes
Kevin Doherty yes
Janet Hughes yes
Sue Murphy yes
Andreas Taylor yes

With a vote of Yeas 7, the President declared the motion passed.

5. RECONVENE TO REGULAR MEETING

A motion was made by John Wood, seconded by Sue Murphy, to reconvene the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.

Upon the roll being called, the members voted as follows:

John Wood yes
Lisa Wright yes
Karen Siston yes
Kevin Doherty yes
Janet Hughes yes
Sue Murphy yes
Andreas Taylor yes

With a vote of Yeas 7, the President declared the motion passed.

6. COMMUNICATIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SCHEDULES

President's Report

- Letter sent to the media by Mrs. Wright..... moving forward in a positive, productive, collaborative way
- New board will be sent on May 2, 2011

Secretary's Report

- April 26, 2011 – Certified official canvas results from April 5, 2011 election available after 5:00 p.m.
- May 2, 2011 Special Meeting of the Board of Education for Reorganization of the Board

Superintendent's Report – None

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Tovian explained the reports provided to the Board and addressed questions from board members including:

- Reconciliation schedule differencemajority caused by sweep accounts
- Cash and Fund Balance difference.....variation caused by timing issue and outstanding checks
- Payroll approval from February.....includes a payroll not previously included
- March attorney bills.....no additional bills had come in as of this meeting date

Motion made by John Wood, seconded by Andreas Taylor, to approve the Treasurer's Report, Reconciliation Schedule, Variance Explanation, Bank Statement and PMA Analysis, Revenue and Expenditure Detail, Balance Sheet, Investment Structure, FRIS Report, Bills and Payroll, as presented.

Upon the roll being called, the members voted as follows:

John Wood	yes	
Lisa Wright	yes	
Karen Siston		no
Kevin Doherty	yes	
Janet Hughes		no
Sue Murphy	yes	
Andreas Taylor	yes	

With a vote of Yeas 7 and Nays 2, the President declared the motion passed.

7. PRESENTATIONS, SPECIAL EVENTS AND ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. Report: Mobile Computer Carts – Donation

Dr. Gricus informed the board of a donation from Lyons Elementary School District 103 for used mobile computer carts available at no cost to the District. The approximate value of each cart is \$600.00. Dr. Gricus noted that once the organizational information is available for next year, the staff will determine where these carts will be used.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Kevin Doherty, seconded by Lisa Wright, to remove item "I" Monthly Report: Freedom of Information Act FOIA) from the Consent Agenda.

Upon the roll being called, the members voted as follows:

John Wood	yes
Lisa Wright	yes
Karen Siston	yes
Kevin Doherty	yes
Janet Hughes	yes
Sue Murphy	yes
Andreas Taylor	yes

With a vote of Yeas 7, the President declared the motion passed.

Motion made by John Wood, seconded by Andy Taylor, to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented, with the removal of item "I" Monthly Report: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

Upon the roll being called, the members voted as follows:

John Wood	yes
Lisa Wright	yes
Karen Siston	yes
Kevin Doherty	yes
Janet Hughes	yes
Sue Murphy	yes
Andreas Taylor	yes

With a vote of Yeas 7, the President declared the motion passed.

Motion made by John Wood, seconded by Lisa Wright, to approve item "I" Monthly Report: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) of the Consent Agenda.

Upon the roll being called, the members voted as follows:

John Wood	yes	
Lisa Wright	yes	
Karen Siston		no
Kevin Doherty	yes	
Janet Hughes		no
Sue Murphy	yes	
Andreas Taylor	yes	

With a vote of Yeas 7 and Nays 2, the President declared the motion passed.

B. Annual Business: Periodic Removal of Obsolete Inventory

C. Monthly Report: Enrollment

D. Monthly Report: Discipline Report

E. Monthly Report: Transportation

F. Monthly Report: Food and Nutrition

H. Monthly Report: Personnel

New Hires: Jimmy Sliwa – Team Leader – Buildings and Grounds – Stipend Position

I. Monthly Report: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)

Hughes – March 16, 2011 – Request for invoices/tapes – SL 2.5 hours

End of Consent Agenda Items

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider the School Calendar for 2011-2012

This item was presented and discussed during the public hearing.

Motion made by Andy Taylor, seconded by John Wood, to approve 2011-2012 school calendar, as presented.

Upon the roll being called, the members voted as follows:

John Wood	yes
Lisa Wright	yes
Karen Siston	yes
Kevin Doherty	yes
Janet Hughes	yes
Sue Murphy	yes
Andreas Taylor	yes

With a vote of Yeas 7, the President declared the motion passed.

B. Consider Contract/License for Rapid Communications Service – Alert Now

Dr. Gricus reported that to enhance our communications and better manage emergency notifications, we believe that a new service will offer the tools and features that our families need and expect. Therefore, three school communication system providers were identified that work with school districts in Illinois: Alert Now, School Messenger and School Reach. Dr. Gricus gathered pricing information and contacted school district users for references. Comparison information was provided to the Board.

Based on an analysis of the available features and the per student cost for each vendor, it is believed that Alert Now will meet the needs of the district for the most reasonable price.

Approval of the 3-year licensing agreement/contract with Alert Now at a subscription cost of \$2.50 per student was recommended. The technology fee increase would cover this cost.

Motion made by Kevin Doherty, seconded by Janet Hughes, to table this item until the May board meeting.

Upon the roll being called, the members voted as follows:

John Wood	yes
Lisa Wright	yes
Karen Siston	yes
Kevin Doherty	yes
Janet Hughes	yes

Lisa Wright	no
Karen Siston	no
Kevin Doherty	no
Janet Hughes	no
Sue Murphy	no
Andreas Taylor	yes

With a vote of Yeas 2 and Nays 5, the President declared the motion failed.

E. Consider a Resolution to Begin the Process of Borrowing Tax Anticipation Warrants

The recommendations from PMA and legal council are to begin the process of securing Tax Anticipation Warrants against our 2011 taxes. This process was mentioned during the time a referendum was being considered by the public for April 5, 2011. Due to the unsuccessful referendum, TAWs will be needed in July, 2011.

Don Weber of PMA addressed questions from board members.

Motion made by John Wood, seconded by Sue Murphy, to direct the administration to begin work on securing TAWs for 2011 with the help of PMA Financial Network, Inc. Furthermore, the Board directs the administration to bring back pertinent information including all needed documents and resolutions as appropriate for Board approval and signatures per School Code and State Statute.

Upon the roll being called, the members voted as follows:

John Wood	yes	
Lisa Wright	yes	
Karen Siston	yes	
Kevin Doherty	yes	
Janet Hughes		no
Sue Murphy	yes	
Andreas Taylor	yes	

With a vote of Yeas 6 and Nays 1, the President declared the motion passed.

F. Consider PMA Proposal for Services in Acquiring Tax Anticipation Warrants

Don Weber of PMA Financial addressed the board covering the following:

- \$5.5M in tax anticipation warrants due to District 210 in June
- District will have a \$500,000 balance on June 29th
- TAWs will be needed to cover July, 2011 payroll
- TAWs of \$6.1M (possibly 6.4 -based on levy-) needed to carry the district through
- January, 2012 district will again need TAWs
- Need to pay off loans with borrowed money later in the year
- Soliciting begins May 1st for June warrants– will contact 10-12 banks
- PMA fees for finding banks vs. costs of underwriters – private markets
- Decrease of financial rating of the school district
- No guarantee as to finding a source to lend money by June
- Affects of failing referendum

Mr. Weber also provided responses to questions covering:

- Cash flow projections

- Economic conditions under which the district is operating
- Tax intercept agreement being put in place
- PMA's work with the district 113A
- Past decision of banks not to purchase TAWs due to poor credit rating and having to borrow money to pay off outstanding warrants
- Cash will not be available for July 15th payroll without additional TAWs
- Delaying a decision to May would cause PMA to stop working on getting the TAWs for June
- Decisions on how money is spent being a decision of the board

Motion made by Andy Taylor, seconded by Kevin Doherty, to approve the Financial Advisory Agreement between the District and PMA Securities, Inc. for the purpose of handling work associated with the Series 2010 Tax Anticipation Warrants and the documents and filing of documents with various County Clerks.

Upon the roll being called, the members voted as follows:

John Wood	yes	
Lisa Wright	yes	
Karen Siston	yes	
Kevin Doherty	yes	
Janet Hughes		no
Sue Murphy	yes	
Andreas Taylor	yes	

With a vote of Yeas 6 and Nays 1, the President declared the motion passed.

G. Consider Resolution to Designate a Person(s) to Prepare a Tentative Budget

Annually, the School Board, by resolution, designates some person or persons to prepare a tentative budget. Such budget shall be prepared in tentative form by some person or persons designated by the Board, and such tentative form shall be made conveniently available to public inspection for at least 30 days prior to final action. The administration will provide a tentative timeline for completion of the budget process, related policies and related resources from the Illinois Association of School Boards.

Motion made by John Wood, seconded by Sue Murphy, to consider the resolution to designate a person or persons to prepare the tentative budget.

Upon the roll being called, the members voted as follows:

John Wood	yes
Lisa Wright	yes
Karen Siston	yes
Kevin Doherty	yes
Janet Hughes	yes
Sue Murphy	yes
Andreas Taylor	yes

With a vote of Yeas 7, the President declared the motion passed

10. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by John Wood, seconded by Lisa Wright, to adjourn to closed session for the purpose of discussing personnel, negotiations and student disciplinary cases, under 105 ILCS 120/2(c) (1, 2 and 9) of the Open Meetings Act at 8:33 p.m.

Upon the roll being called, the members voted as follows:

John Wood	yes	
Lisa Wright	yes	
Karen Siston	yes	
Kevin Doherty	yes	
Janet Hughes	yes	
Sue Murphy	yes	
Andreas Taylor		no

With a vote of Yeas 6 and Nays 1, the President declared the motion passed.

The Board does anticipate action as a result of closed session.

8. CLOSED SESSION

1. Personnel
2. Negotiations
3. Student disciplinary cases

9. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Karen Siston, seconded by Andy Taylor, to reconvene the Open Session Meeting of the Board of Education at 8:54 p.m.

Upon the roll being called, the members voted as follows:

John Wood	yes	
Lisa Wright	yes	
Karen Siston	yes	
Kevin Doherty	yes	
Janet Hughes	yes	
Sue Murphy	yes	
Andreas Taylor	yes	

With a vote of Yeas 7, the President declared the motion passed.

11. ACTION AS A RESULT OF CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by John Wood, seconded by Sue Murphy to remunerate the Director of Operations for the months of April, May and June, prorated, based on salary discussions in closed session.

Upon the roll being called, the members voted as follows:

John Wood	yes	
Lisa Wright	yes	
Karen Siston	yes	
Kevin Doherty	yes	
Janet Hughes		no
Sue Murphy	yes	
Andreas Taylor	yes	

With a vote of Yeas 6 and Nays 1, the President declared the motion passed.

14. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Laura Reigle – 11S236 Carpenter, Lemont IL

- Taxes
- Budget Amendment
- Copiers

15. ADVANCED PLANNING

- The next Special Meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Monday, May 2, 2011
- District Financial Planning – Finance Committee Meetings - Ongoing until no longer needed.
- Board Reorganization – May 2, 2011
- Support Staff Staffing Plan – May, 2011
- FY12 Budget Planning to Begin – May, 2011
- Support Staff Staffing Plan – May, 2011
- Central School and District Reorganization – May, 2011
- Transportation Report and Walk Zone Decision – May, 2011
- Negotiations – on-going with Teachers Union and Support Staff Union Until Completed

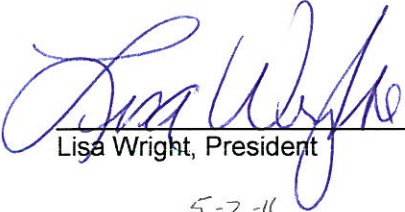
16. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Janet Hughes, seconded by Karen Siston, to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education at 8:59 p.m.

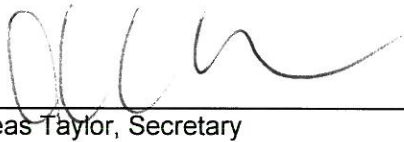
Upon voice vote being called, the members voted as follows:

John Wood	yes
Lisa Wright	yes
Karen Siston	yes
Kevin Doherty	yes
Janet Hughes	yes
Sue Murphy	yes
Andreas Taylor	yes

With a vote of Yeas 7, the President declared the motion duly carried.



 Lisa Wright, President



 Andreas Taylor, Secretary

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