

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
LEMONT-BROMBEREK CSD 113A
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
OLD QUARRY MIDDLE SCHOOL – LRC
LEMONT, ILLINOIS 60439
Wednesday, November 16, 2022**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Damon Ascolani called to order the Business Meeting of the Lemont-Bromberek CSD 113A Board of Education at 6:32 p.m. on Wednesday, November 16, 2022 in the Old Quarry Middle School LRC.

A. Roll Call

Upon roll being called, the following board members were present: Damon Ascolani, President, Al Malley, Vice President, Brian Bushnell, Cindy Kelly, Patrick Kerrigan, and Bethany Martino. Kevin Collins, Secretary, arrived at 6:53 p.m.

Board Members Absent: None.

Administration present: Dr. Anthony McConnell, Superintendent, Dr. Daniela Fountain, Assistant Superintendent, Barbara Germany, Business Manager, Heidi Rudy, Assistant Director of Student Services, Megan Steelman, Assistant Director of Student Services, Pat Crean, Director of Operations, Jake Smith, Director of Technology, Laura Gilmartin, Director of Teaching and Learning, Dimitra Georganas, Principal/Oakwood, Kate Koch, Principal/River Valley, Shirley Kleehammer, Principal/Central, Ali Lincoln, Assistant Principal/Central, Joe Sweeney, Principal/Old Quarry, Jennifer Hughes, Assistant Principal/Old Quarry, and Dave Jones, Assistant Principal/Old Quarry.

Staff Present: Catherine Burch, Becca Taylor, Jenna Treanor, Micah Brandhandler, Kelsey Schildwachter, and John Lauricella.

Audience Members (from sign in sheet, if legible): Angelo Nassis, Cathy Nassis, and Giorgio Georganas.

B. Pledge of Allegiance: Damon Ascolani.

C. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion made by Patrick Kerrigan, seconded by Cindy Kelly, to approve the agenda as submitted.

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

Damon Ascolani	yes	
Brian Bushnell	yes	
Kevin Collins		absent
Cindy Kelly	yes	
Patrick Kerrigan	yes	
Al Malley	yes	
Bethany Martino	yes	

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

D. Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Cindy Kelly, seconded by Patrick Kerrigan, to approve the open and closed session minutes dated October 26, 2022, as submitted.

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

Damon Ascolani	yes	
Brian Bushnell	yes	
Kevin Collins		absent
Cindy Kelly	yes	
Patrick Kerrigan	yes	
Al Malley	yes	
Bethany Martino	yes	

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

E. Recognition

- The Board recognized five Special Olympics participants from Central School and Old Quarry Middle School.
- The Board recognized five Old Quarry Middle School students who received recognition from the Illinois Music Education Association (ILMEA).
- The Board recognized Dimitra Georganas, Oakwood School Principal, as the recipient of the Assistant Principal of the Year award from the Illinois Principals Association.
- Dr. McConnell recognized the 113A Board of Education for School Board Members Day
- Dr. McConnell recognized Board members Damon Ascolani, Al Malley, Cindy Kelly, and Patrick Kerrigan for their achievements in the IASB Board Leader Recognition Program.

2. COMMUNICATIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, ADMINISTRATION REPORTS AND SCHEDULES

A. President's Report

B. Board Committee Reports

C. Union Representation Reports

D. Principals' Reports

- Oakwood School – Mrs. Georganas reported on the Book Fair, parent-teacher conferences, and Veterans Day celebrations at Oakwood School.
- River Valley School – Mrs. Koch reported on the Book Fair Family Reading Night, and parent-teacher conferences at River Valley School. Mrs. Koch also provided an update on two service projects at River Valley.
- Central School – Mrs. Kleehammer reported on STEM Week at Central School as well as the visit from the Nautilus Exploration Team. Mrs. Kleehammer also provided an update on the Book Fair and parent-teacher conferences.
- Old Quarry Middle School – Mr. Sweeney reported on parent-teacher conferences at Old Quarry Middle School as well as the Veterans Day assembly hosted by Old Quarry.

E. Assistant Superintendent's Report

- Dr. Daniela Fountain provided the Board with an update on Title I and Title II grants as well as the Best of Lemont awards ceremony.

F. Superintendent's Report

- Dr. McConnell provided the Board with an update on the upcoming Joint Annual Conference as well as the Old Quarry Musical. In addition, Dr.

McConnell plans to send a survey to families prior to the start of Fall Break regarding opportunities to provide feedback.

G. Treasurer's Reports

Motion made by Cindy Kelly, seconded by Patrick Kerrigan, to approve the Treasurer's Report, Reconciliation Schedule, Variance Explanation, Bank Statement and PMA Analysis, Revenue and Expenditure Detail, Balance Sheet, Investment Structure, and FRIS Report for the Month of October 2022, as presented.

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

Damon Ascolani	yes
Brian Bushnell	yes
Kevin Collins	yes
Cindy Kelly	yes
Patrick Kerrigan	yes
Al Malley	yes
Bethany Martino	yes

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

3. PRESENTATIONS, SPECIAL EVENTS, DISCUSSION

A. Presentation – Too Good for Drugs Program

- Dr. Daniela Fountain and Officer John Lauricella presented to the Board an overview of the Too Good for Drugs program.

B. Discussion – IASB Resolutions

- The Board held a discussion regarding the IASB Resolutions.

C. Discussion – Bus Leasing/Purchasing Options

- The Board held a discussion regarding options for the leasing and purchasing of buses.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Board President Ascolani asked if there was anyone on the Board that would like any item(s) removed from the consent agenda. No one had any requests at this time.

Motion made by Patrick Kerrigan, seconded by Al Malley, to approve the consent agenda which includes the following:

- Monthly report of Open Accounts Payable/Bills and Payroll
- The hiring of listed employees pending compliance with applicable Board policy and State and Federal law:
 - Denise Kosieniak, RV Lunchroom Supervisor, effective November 28, 2022
 - Larry Anderson, Maintenance Engineer, effective November 21, 2022
 - Joseph Gloeckle, Custodian, effective November 14, 2022
 - Delores Curran, CE Lunchroom Supervisor, effective November 14, 2022
- The Transfer of:
 - Gema Barajas, from Bus Driver to OQ Paraprofessional, effective November 2, 2022
- The Resignation of:
 - Marietta Duarte, RV Lunchroom Supervisor, effective November 2, 2022

- Charles Kowalewski, RV Lunchroom Supervisor, effective November 2, 2022
- Patricia Williams, CE Lunchroom Supervisor, effective November 10, 2022
- Jenna Treanor, OQ Part-Time Choir Teacher, effective December 14, 2022
- The Retirement of:
 - Christine Dalakouras, Bus Driver, effective end of 2023-2024 school year
- Monthly Report – Enrollment
- Monthly Report – Discipline
- Monthly Report – Food Service
- Monthly Report – Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)
- IESA Cooperative Schools Agreement
- Amendment to School Video Access Agreement

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

Damon Ascolani	yes
Brian Bushnell	yes
Kevin Collins	yes
Cindy Kelly	yes
Patrick Kerrigan	yes
Al Malley	yes
Bethany Martino	yes

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

B. Monthly Report – Open Accounts Payable/Bills and Payroll

Payroll:

11/4/2022
Regular: \$721,409.76

Bills/Accounts Payable:

Bills dated November 15, 2022 in the amount of \$1,925,994.27.

C. Monthly Report – Personnel

The hiring of listed employees pending compliance with applicable Board policy and State and Federal law:

- Denise Kosieniak, RV Lunchroom Supervisor, effective November 28, 2022
- Larry Anderson, Maintenance Engineer, effective November 21, 2022
- Joseph Gloeckle, Custodian, effective November 14, 2022
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- Christine Dalakouras, Bus Driver, effective end of 2023-2024 school year

D. Monthly Report – Enrollment

- As of November 9, 2022, enrollment has increased by 9 students, with 9 new students entering the district.

E. Monthly Report – Discipline

F. Monthly Report – Food Service

G. Monthly Report – Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)

- FOIA – Molly Hudgens

H. IESA Cooperative Schools Agreement

The Illinois Elementary School Association (IESA) requires a cooperative agreement between schools for non-public school student participation.

I. Amendment to School Video Access Agreement

In 2016, the District approved an agreement with the Lemont Police Department for access to live feeds for school cameras. This amendment will allow for the police to access the district camera system for training purposes, to investigate alleged criminal activity, or as approved by the superintendent.

5. BOARD ACTION

A. Consider Adoption of Tentative Levy

The adoption of the tentative levy is required by state statute and is presented to the Board of Education for consideration. If adopted, the Board will direct the administration to publish notice of the Truth in Taxation Hearing to be conducted at the regular meeting of the Board of Education on Wednesday, December 14, 2022.

The tentative levy needs to be adopted in November so that the proper publications can be placed in the local newspapers and the final adoption of the levy can take place prior to the required filing date, which is the last Tuesday in December. Upon Board approval of the final levy in December, we will then have the levies delivered to the respective county clerks offices.

The levy is our District's major source of revenue.

It is the recommendation of the administration to request the Board of Education to adopt the tentative levy resolution as presented, as well as establish the public hearing date at the regular meeting scheduled for December 14, 2022 to comply with the Truth in Taxation Act, and direct the administration to publish the legal notice accordingly.

Recommended Motion:

Motion made by Cindy Kelly, seconded by Patrick Kerrigan, to approve the tentative 2022 Tax Levy Resolution as presented and to direct the administration to publish notice for a public hearing on December 14, 2022 to comply with the Truth in Taxation Act.

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

Damon Ascolani	yes
Brian Bushnell	yes
Kevin Collins	yes
Cindy Kelly	yes
Patrick Kerrigan	yes
Al Malley	yes
Bethany Martino	yes

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

B. Consider Approval of STR Work Proposals

STR, the District Architects, have provided us with quotes to perform work we have recently discussed as part of our Strategic Planning process.

1) **10-Year Life Safety** - These are required life-safety surveys for our school buildings. These reports review code related issues that need to be addressed. The cost for this is per our contract with STR and will be \$29,352 and \$2700 to update safety plans to current ISBE standards.

2) **Facility Condition Assessment and 10-Year Facility Plan** - This project will look at the condition of our current facilities and equipment including physical assets, condition of equipment, useful life, etc. It will include recommendations for prioritization and help us scope our predictive maintenance over the next several years. It is the administrative recommendation to perform this work in conjunction with the required life-safety work for \$17,614

3) **Future Growth - District-Wide Capacity Study** - This proposal is to generate actionable plans if we need additional space or construction in the district. There is a phase one flat fee of \$14,000. There is no fee proposed for phase 2 because we don't know if it would be necessary at this point. Phase 2 items would be site surveys, traffic studies, stormwater management, and other specific looks into any possible plans.

A significant portion of this work will be completed over winter break. It is anticipated that we would have deliverables and reports as well as presentations by mid-spring before the end of the fiscal year.

It is the administrative recommendation to approve the 10-Year Life Safety Study for \$29,352 and \$2,700; the Facility Condition Assessment and 10-Year Facility Plan (Option 1) for \$17,614; and the Future Growth - District-Wide Capacity Study (Phase 1) for \$14,000 as presented.

Recommended Motion:

Motion made by Patrick Kerrigan, seconded by Cindy Kelly, to approve the 10-year life-safety, facility planning, and district capacity study as presented, in the amount of \$63,666.00.

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

Damon Ascolani	yes
Brian Bushnell	yes
Kevin Collins	yes
Cindy Kelly	yes
Patrick Kerrigan	yes

Al Malley yes
Bethany Martino yes

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

6. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Mr. Ascolani invited members of the audience to address the Board. No one came forward at this time.

7. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

A. Motion to Adjourn to Closed Session

Motion made by Cindy Kelly, seconded by Patrick Kerrigan, at 7:47 p.m. to adjourn to closed session for the purpose of:

- a) Discussion on the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors, or specific volunteers of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor, or a volunteer of the District or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. However, a meeting to consider an increase in compensation to a specific employee of a public body that is subject to the Local Government Wage Increase Transparency Act may not be closed and shall be open to the public and posted and held in accordance with this Act. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), amended by P.A. 101-459.
- b) Collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representative, or deliberation concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).
- c) The placement of individual students in special education programs or other matters relating to individual students. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10).

The Board of Education DOES NOT anticipate action as a result of closed session.

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

Damon Ascolani yes
Brian Bushnell yes
Kevin Collins yes
Cindy Kelly yes
Patrick Kerrigan yes
Al Malley yes
Bethany Martino yes

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

8. CLOSED SESSION

9. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

A. Motion to Reconvene to Open Session

Motion made by Patrick Kerrigan, seconded by Brian Bushnell, at 8:53 p.m. to reconvene the Open Session Meeting of the Board of Education.

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

Damon Ascolani	yes	
Brian Bushnell	yes	
Kevin Collins	yes	
Cindy Kelly		absent
Patrick Kerrigan	yes	
Al Malley	yes	
Bethany Martino	yes	

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

10. ADVANCED PLANNING

DECEMBER

- Tax Levy Hearing
- Adopt Final Tax Levy
- Resolution of Fund Levies

JANUARY

- Six-Month Review of Closed Session Minutes/Tapes
- Superintendent Shall Notify Board of Upcoming Evaluation (On/Before Feb. 1st)
- Summer Project Bids (If Needed)


11. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Patrick Kerrigan, seconded by Kevin Collins, to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education at 8:57 p.m.

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

Damon Ascolani	yes	
Brian Bushnell	yes	
Kevin Collins	yes	
Cindy Kelly		absent
Patrick Kerrigan	yes	
Al Malley	yes	
Bethany Martino	yes	

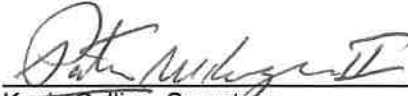
With a vote of Yeas 6, Absent 1, the President declared the motion passed.



 Damon Ascolani, President

 12/14/22

 Date



 Kevin Collins, Secretary
 PATRICK KERRIGAN PRO TEM

 12/14/22

 Date