

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

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
November 12, 2015
7:30 p.m.
(Official)**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, Township High School District 211, Cook County, Illinois was held on November 12, 2015 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:

High School, and the District as a whole through the Instructional Coaching program and her involvement with the District's one-to-one iPad initiative. Her work continues to inspire other educators to think innovatively. Principal Tim Little said, "Alina is a tremendous person and an even greater credit to our profession. She has single-handedly strengthened both the "art of" and "science of" teaching within our faculty. I am a better professional, a better educator, and a better person because of Alina."

Congratulations, Alina, on your "Those Who Excel" award, and thank you for everything that you do for Schaumburg High School and District 211.

President Burke presented a crystal apple to Mrs. Baima for receiving a "T24 354.2417 648.24cm BT.

President Burke presented a crystal apple to Mrs. Eich for receiving a “Those Who Excel” award in the community volunteer category from the Illinois State Board of Education.

In the “Those Who Excel” Team category, Conant High School’s Sophomore English Acceleration Team was recognized. Over the past two years, this team of educators has helped accelerate numerous students to be successful in Advanced Placement (AP) courses. By using test scores, freshman year grades, and attendance, students are identified who possess high levels of reading comprehension, yet have not qualified for accelerated English classes. Families are contacted and students are offered the opportunity to participate in AP classes that will appropriately challenge them. Many families that have participated in the program have remarked that they appreciated how the school found ways to support their child’s education through new opportunities and the necessary supports to help them succeed.

Principal Julie Nowak had this to say, “The impact of this team extends far beyond one classroom experience as these students were taught skills to help them be accelerated learners for the rest of their lives.”

I’d like to introduce the Sophomore English Acceleration Team and thank each of them for their role in the great program.

President Burke presented a crystal apple to Talbott Behnken, Jordan Catapano, Susan Hess, and Paula Hill for receiving a “Those Who Excel” award in the Team category from the Illinois State Board of Education.

Gary Steiger began his career in District 211 30 years ago at William Fremd High School as a science teacher. After serving as an assistant principal at both Palatine and James B. Conant High Schools, he was named principal at Palatine High School in 2002. Over the years, he has seen his student population change dramatically and has responded to the needs of his students with staff training, successful initiatives improving overall school environment, and creating a community of teachers, staff, and parents who all work together collaboratively. Mr. Steiger was named 2015-2016 High School Principal of the Year by the Illinois Principals Association, which recognizes principals who have demonstrated a positive impact on their students and learning communities - including advocacy for students, ensuring a positive school climate, and collaborating with staff to improve student achievement.

One student wrote this: “When we found out he was chosen as the Illinois’ Principal of the Year, this was no surprise. In fact, if he was considered to be the best principal on earth, that wouldn’t surprise me. Mr. Steiger is so deserving of that honor because our school is an amazing place, thanks to him.”

Gary, congratulations for your “Those Who Excel” award and for all that you do for all of the students.

President Burke presented a crystal apple to Mr. Steiger for receiving a “Those Who Excel” award in the school administrator volunteer category from the Illinois State Board of Education.

Science Teacher John Ulrich received his “Those Who Excel” award in the Early Career Educator category. In just four years of teaching at Hoffman Estates High School, he has made a significant impact on his students’ lives as both a science teacher and as a coach.

girls' locker room and the Office of Civil Rights (OCR) ruling. Roger Frazer, Rolling Meadows resident, addressed the Board regarding District 211's position involving the transgender student's use of the girls' locker room and the OCR ruling. Min Lin, Palatine resident, addressed the Board regarding District 211's position involving the transgender student's use of the girls' locker room and the OCR ruling. Joseph Qiam, Palatine resident, addressed the Board regarding District 211's position involving the transgender student's use of the girls' locker room and the OCR ruling. Illinois State Representative and Palatine resident Tom Morrison addressed the Board thanking them for listening to the concerns of the community and regarding the OCR's Title IX discrimination ruling against District 211.

Engineering and Advanced Manufacturing Presentation

Lisa Small, associate superintendent for instruction; Shayna Adelman, James B. Conant High School applied technology teacher; and Mark Hibner, Palatine High School applied technology teacher and District department chair, presented an update and answered Board members' questions on specific District 211 coursework and career pathways from engineering and advanced manufacturing clusters.

Consent Agenda

Mrs. Klimkowitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Scharringhausen, that the consent agenda with the removal of the minutes of the regular meeting of October 15, 2015 be approved.

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

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Aye: Peter Dombrowski
Will Hinshaw
Anna Klimkowicz
Robert LeFevre
Lauanna Recker
Mike Scharringhausen
Mucia Burke

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Approval of Bills for Payment**

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Scharringhausen, that bills in the amount of \$22,289,893.89 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
Lauanna Recker
Mike Scharringhausen
Mucia Burke

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Financial Report – As of September 30, 2015**

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Scharringhausen, that the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, Other Financing Sources (Uses) and Changes in Fund Balances for the period ending September 30, 2015 be approved and placed on file.

Aye: Peter Dombrowski
Will Hinshaw
Anna Klimkowicz
Robert LeFevre
Lauanna Recker
Mike Scharringhausen
Mucia Burke

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

***Bids for Consideration**

Mrs. Klimkowitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Scharringhausen, that the Board of Education award construction contracts for renovation work for the Adult Transition Program at Palatine High School to the lowest responsible bidders, as listed below:

I.	Excavation, Foundations	Cibulka Concrete Construction, Inc.	\$ 153,760.00
II.	Electrical	Newcastle Electric, Inc.	44,200.00
III.	Underground Utilities	Jensen's Plumbing & Heating, Inc.	92,400.00
IV.	Steel	Mechanical & Industrial Steel Services, Inc.	10,990.00
V.	Sprinklers	Happ Builders, Inc.	27,200.00
VI.	Plumbing Fixtures	DeFranco Plumbing, Inc.	29,950.00
VII.	Lighting Fixtures	Connexion	23,869.00
VIII.			

Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of October 15, 2015

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dombrowski, that the minutes of the regular meeting of October 15, 2015 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
	Lauanna Recker

Renewal of Lease for North Cook Young Adult Academy

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dombrowski, that the Board of Education renew the lease agreement with North Cook Young Adult Academy at its current location at a rate of \$7,884 per month from August 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018 with annual increases as indicated in the lease agreement.

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

Aye:	Lauanna Recker Peter Dombrowski Will Hinshaw Robert LeFevre Mike Scharringhausen Anna Klimkowicz Mucia Burke
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried unanimously.

Illinois Association of School Boards Resolutions

The Board of Education received and reviewed the Illinois Association of School Boards proposed resolutions to be considered at the upcoming delegate assembly of the Illinois Association of School Boards concerning charitable tax exemption for hospitals, the sale of student constructed homes, family members as officers on a Board of Education, and the costs of mandates associated with No Child Left Behind. There was no discussion by the Board.

Board Member Expenses

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hinshaw, that the Board of Education approve the Pre-Approval Form for Future Expense Reimbursement for Mucia Burke and Lauanna Recker to attend the Triple I conference on November 20-22, 2015 as submitted.

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

Aye:	Mike Scharringhausen Will Hinshaw Peter Dombrowski Anna Klimkowicz Robert LeFevre Lauanna Recker Mucia Burke
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried unanimously.

Northwest Suburban Special Education Organization

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

Education Research Development/Legislative Report

Mr. Scharringhausen reported on the recent activities of Ed-Red and Dr. Cates reported on recent legislative activity.

Technology Committee Report

Mr. Hinshaw reported on recent Technology Committee activities.

Parent Connections and Communications Panel

Mr. Hinshaw reported on the recent Parent Connections and Communications Panel meeting.

Budget and Finance Committee

Mr. LeFevre reported on the recent Budget and Finance Committee meeting and Mrs. Burke reported that the next Budget and Finance Committee meeting will be on December 2, 2015.

Partners for Our Community – Evening Community Services

Mrs. Klimkowitz reported on the recent Partners for Our Community – Evening Services activity and the Trunk and Treat event, and Dr. Cates thanked the Board for their support with this initiative.

Announcements

President Burke made the following announcements:

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| A. November | 17 | -- | Palatine High School Fall Sports Awards – 7:00 p.m. –
Mrs. Klimkowitz attending |
| B. | 17 | -- | William Fremd High School Fall Sports Awards –
7:00 p.m. – Mrs. Burke and Mr. LeFevre Attending |
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Closed Session

Mrs. Klimkowitz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Scharringhausen, that the Board of Education

Mrs. Klimkowicz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hinshaw, that employee Kristen Houle 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: Lauanna Recker
Mike Scharringhausen
Peter Dombrowski
Robert LeFevre
Anna Klimkowicz
Will Hinshaw
Mucia Burke

Nay: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Board Members' Discussion of the Evening's Board of Education Meeting

Mrs. Burke asked if Board members wished to share their experiences of the evening's Board of Education meeting. Mr. LeFevre stated that citizen discussions during the presentation and Board member discussions during the Board meeting are distracting interruptions and disrupt the meeting; Mrs. Burke noted that there is a policy on disruptive behavior during Board meetings. Dr. Cates will attempt to communicate the importance of mutual respect during a Board meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education, President Burke thereupon declared the meeting adjourned at 11:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary, District 211

President, District 211