

Township Trustees of Schools

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BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Shakana L. Kirksey, President
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Carol A. McGowan, Trustee
Zachary T. Stokes, Trustee
Tonisha Sibley, Trustee

Sara Andreas, Trustee
Dr. Troy J. Whalen, Trustee
Steven J. Smidl, Trustee
Dr. Catherine A. Hannigan, Trustee

Griffin L. Sonntag, Trustee
Joseph M. Bonomo, Trustee
Ryan M. Leonard, Trustee
Dr. Joseph R. Rojek II, Trustee

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Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lyons Township School Treasurer's Office October 15, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.

Call to Order

President Kirksey called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

	<u>In Attendance</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Ms. Shakana L. Kirksey	X	
Ms. Jessica A. Doherty	X	
Ms. Carol A. McGowan	X	
Mr. David R. Herndon		X
Mr. William F. Brockob		X
Mr. Joseph M. Bonomo	X	
Mr. Andy Taylor	X	

Staff Members Present

Mr. Kenneth T. Getty, Treasurer

Other Guests Present

Ms. Claudia E. Castro, Attorney for LTTO
Ms. Taylor Koc, Lyons
Ms. Cynthia Schilsky, LaGrange
Mr. Zach Stokes, Western Springs Elementary School District 101
Ms. Tonisha Sibley, LaGrange Elementary School District 102
Ms. Sara Andreas, Lyons Elementary School District 103
Dr. Troy Whalen, Summit Elementary School District 104
Mr. Steven Smidl, LaGrange Elementary School District 105
Ms. Catherine Hannigan, LaGrange Highlands Elementary School District 106
Mr. Griffin Sonntag, Pleasantdale Elementary School District 107
Mr. Joseph M. Bonomo, Willow Springs Elementary School District 108
Mr. Ryan Leonard, Indian Springs Elementary School District 109
Dr. Joseph R. Rojek II, Argo Community High School District 217

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments—

Ms. Cynthia Schilsky commended the LTTO Trustees for their leadership, and she was glad to see the School District Trustees seated tonight.

Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes

Trustee Doherty motioned to approve the September 17, 2024, Open Session meeting minutes, as discussed. **Trustee Taylor** seconded the motion.

Roll Call: **Ayes:** Kirksey, Herndon, McGowan, Bonomo, Doherty, Taylor
 Nays: None
 Absent: Herndon, Brockob
 Abstain: None

Motion carried.

Acceptance of Lyons Township School District Resolutions appointing the following Trustees to two-year terms beginning October 2024 and ending October 2026

Trustee McGowan motioned to accept the Lyons Township School District Resolutions appointing the following Trustees to two-year terms:

- Mr. Zach Stokes, Western Springs Elementary School District 101
- Ms. Tonisha Sibley, LaGrange Elementary School District 102
- Ms. Sara Andreas, Lyons Elementary School District 103
- Dr. Troy Whalen, Summit Elementary School District 104
- Mr. Steven Smidl, LaGrange Elementary School District 105
- Ms. Catherine Hannigan, LaGrange Highlands Elementary School District 106
- Mr. Griffin Sonntag, Pleasantdale Elementary School District 107
- Mr. Joseph M. Bonomo, Willow Springs Elementary School District 108
- Mr. Ryan Leonard, Indian Springs Elementary School District 109
- Dr. Joseph R. Rojek II, Argo Community High School District 217

Trustee Doherty seconded the motion.

Roll Call: **Ayes:** Kirksey, Herndon, McGowan, Bonomo, Doherty, Taylor
 Nays: None
 Absent: Herndon, Brockob
 Abstain: None

Motion carried.

Oath of Office for Elected Trustees

Trustee Jessica A. Doherty administered the Oath of Office for the appointed trustees.

Nomination and Election of President of the Trustees of Schools

Trustee McGowan nominated Trustee Kirksey-Miller for the Board President. **Trustee Kirksey-Miller** accepted the nomination. No other nominations were made. **Trustee McGowan** made a motion to elect Trustee Kirksey-Miller for the two-year term of Lyons Township Trustee of Schools Board President. **Trustee Stokes** seconded the motion.

Roll Call: **Ayes:** Kirksey, McGowan, Doherty, Stokes, Sibley, Andreas, Whalen, Smidl, Hannigan, Sonntag, Bonomo, Leonard, Rojek
 Nays: None
 Absent: None
 Abstain: None

Motion carried.

Approve Future Regular Board Meeting Dates, Place, Time

Trustee Hannigan motioned to reschedule the regularly scheduled quarterly Board of Trustee meeting dates and special scheduled meeting dates detailed below. All meetings begin at 6:00 p.m. and will be held at the LTTO office located at 6438 Joliet Rd, Countryside, IL 60525.

- Reschedule: Jan 6, 2025, to January 21, 2025
- February 18, 2025
- March 18, 2025
- Reschedule: April 7, 2025, to April 15, 2025
- May 20, 2025
- June 17, 2025

Trustee Sibley seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Ayes:	Kirksey, McGowan, Doherty, Stokes, Sibley, Andreas, Whalen, Smidl, Hannigan, Sontag, Bonomo, Leonard, Rojek
	Nays:	None
	Absent:	None
	Abstain:	None

Motion carried.

Motion/Approval of the Organization Certificate and Authorization for the President and one Trustee to sign the Organization Certificate

Trustee Bonomo nominated Trustee McGowan to sign the Organization Certificate. **The nomination was accepted by Trustee McGowan.** No other nominations were made. **Trustee Doherty** motioned to approve Trustee McGowan. **Trustee Hannigan seconded the motion.**

Roll Call:	Ayes:	Kirksey, McGowan, Doherty, Stokes, Sibley, Andreas, Whalen, Smidl, Hannigan, Sontag, Bonomo, Leonard, Rojek
	Nays:	None
	Absent:	None
	Abstain:	None

Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report

No report.

Review the Lyons Township Treasurer’s Financial Reports

The Board of School Trustees reviewed and discussed the Lyons Township School Treasurer’s September 2024 financial statements.

Review/Approval of Review School Districts Official Records

The Board of School Trustees reviewed and discussed member district’s July 2024 and August 2024 financial statements.

NEW BUSINESS:

Review/Approval of Surety Bond in the amount of \$870,500 on behalf of LaGrange Elementary School District 102

Trustee Smidl motioned to approve the Surety Bond in the amount of \$870,500 on behalf of LaGrange Elementary School District 102, as presented. **Trustee Andreas** seconded the motion.

Roll Call: **Ayes:** Kirksey, McGowan, Doherty, Stokes, Sibley, Andreas, Whalen, Smidl, Hannigan, Sontag, Bonomo, Leonard, Rojek
 Nays: None
 Absent: None
 Abstain: None

Motion carried.

FY2025 Tyler Technologies School ERP Pro Subscription

Trustee Bonomo motioned to table the FY2025 Tyler Technologies School ERP Pro Subscription and its invoice agenda item to the November 19, 2024 Board Meeting. **Trustee Sonntag** seconded the motion.

Roll Call: **Ayes:** Kirksey, McGowan, Doherty, Stokes, Sibley, Andreas, Whalen, Smidl, Hannigan, Sontag, Bonomo, Leonard, Rojek
 Nays: None
 Absent: None
 Abstain: None

Motion carried.

Review/Approval of Payables Lists

Trustee Whalen motioned to approve October 15, 2024, Voucher 1029 LTTO payables in the amount of \$26,521.39, as presented. **Trustee Leonard** seconded the motion.

Roll Call: **Ayes:** Kirksey, McGowan, Doherty, Stokes, Sibley, Andreas, Whalen, Smidl, Hannigan, Sontag, Bonomo, Leonard, Rojek
 Nays: None
 Absent: None
 Abstain: None

Motion carried.

FY2024 Quarterly Interest – Fifth Interest Distribution

Treasurer Getty presented the fifth and final FY2024 interest distribution to the Trustees, noting that the LTTO will distribute an additional \$359,885.32 to member districts for FY2024.

West 40 – Intent to Withdraw

Treasurer Getty presented the Trustees with a letter from Dr. Michael Popp of West 40, noting that the organization “would be bringing our financial operations under our own roof starting in January of 2025.” The Trustees discussed the letter and asked the Treasurer to draft a response letter to West 40 on behalf of the Trustees with the following questions:

- Why is West 40 choosing to utilize a mid-year date?
- How does West 40 propose the LTTO to determine a fair pro-rata share?
- What are the most recent fiscal audits, and what is the forecasted completion date for the FY24 audit?
- How will West 40 protect the due process of the majority of Lyons Township School Districts in the event of a controversy?

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

Trustee Hannigan and Trustee Andreas left the Board meeting at 7:49 p.m.

Trustee Doherty made a motion at 7:50 p.m. to suspend the Open Session Board Meeting for the purpose of entering Closed Session.

- ***Illinois Open Meetings Act, (5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1)***, “Discussion on the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body.”
- ***Illinois Open Meetings Act, (5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11)***, “Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.”

Trustee Bonomo seconded the motion.

Roll Call:	Ayes:	Kirksey, McGowan, Doherty, Stokes, Sibley, Whalen, Smidl, Sontag, Bonomo, Leonard, Rojek
	Nays:	None
	Absent:	None
	Abstain:	Hannigan, Andreas

Motion carried.

Motion to reconvene the Open Session Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Trustee Sibley motioned at 7:59 p.m. to reconvene the October 15, 2024, Open Session Board Meeting. **Trustee Sonntag seconded the motion.**

Roll Call:	Ayes:	Kirksey, McGowan, Doherty, Stokes, Sibley, Whalen, Smidl, Sontag, Bonomo, Leonard, Rojek
	Nays:	None
	Absent:	None
	Abstain:	Hannigan, Andreas

Motion carried.

Action as a result of Closed Session

None.

Adjournment

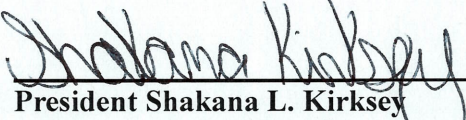
Trustee Sibley motioned at 8:00 p.m. to adjourn the October 15, 2024, Open Session Board Meeting. **Trustee Sonntag seconded the motion.**

Roll Call:	Ayes:	Kirksey, McGowan, Doherty, Stokes, Sibley, Whalen, Smidl, Sontag, Bonomo, Leonard, Rojek
	Nays:	None
	Absent:	None
	Abstain:	Hannigan, Andreas

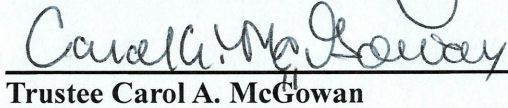
Motion carried.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

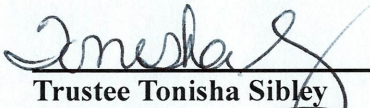
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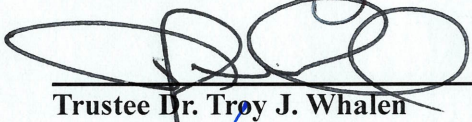
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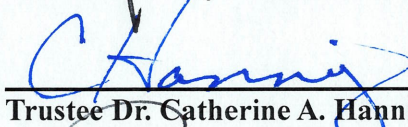
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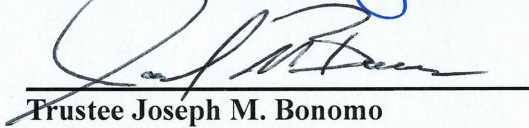
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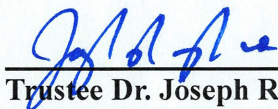
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Trustee Dr. Catherine A. Hannigan

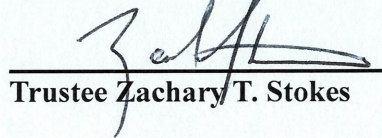


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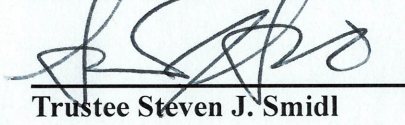
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Trustee Jessica A. Doherty



Trustee Zachary T. Stokes

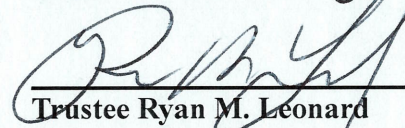
Trustee Sara Andreas



Trustee Steven J. Smidl



Trustee Griffin L. Sonntag



Trustee Ryan M. Leonard

Date: 12/17/2024