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## *Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees Of the Lyons Township School Treasurer's Office February 4, 2025 – 1:00 p.m.*

### **Call to Order.**

Board Attorney called the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m.

### **1. Roll Call.**

Taken by Board Attorney Claudia Castro. Present were Trustee McGowan, Trustee Stokes, Trustee Sibley, Trustee Smidl, Trustee Hannigan, Trustee Sonntag, Trustee Bonomo, Trustee Leonard, and Trustee Rojek.

Also present were Board Attorney Claudia E. Castro; Williams G. Channell, Lyons SD 103; Ms. Cynthia Schilsky, LaGrange; Dr. John Much, Superintendent SD 106; Dr. Robert Grossi, Consultant.

Absent from closed session were President Kirksey-Miller, Trustee Doherty, Trustee Andreas, and Trustee Whalen.

### **2. Pledge of Allegiance.**

### **3. Public Comments.**

Robert Grossi, former treasurer for Bloom Township Trustees of Schools spoke up during public comment. He indicated that he was present at the request from a couple of the Trustees to assist in providing options. He indicated that the trustees have three options to consider as they are in search of a new treasurer. He said that one option is to find a good treasurer and keep things as is. Second option is to try to collectively work with another treasurer's office by way of a consolidation. A third option is to keep Lyons complexly separate and to hire Proviso as the Treasurer and pay them a stipend. He provided pros and cons as to each option. Dr. Gross warned the trustees that a school district would have



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## 6. Search Firm Proposals – Action Item

The Trustees discussed the three proposals received from the search firms BWP, HYA, and Search Exec Connect. Although, the Trustees did not take action on any of the search firm proposals, they did decide to only move forward with the proposals from BWP and HYA for further consideration. The Trustees will decide at the next regular board meeting whether they will proceed with a search firm for the hiring of a new Treasurer.

## OLD BUSINESS:

None.

## 7. Adjournment

**Trustee Hannigan motioned at 2:15 p.m.** to adjourn the February 4, 2025, Open Session Board Meeting. **Trustee Stokes seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call: Ayes:** McGowan, Stokes, Sibley, Smidl, Hannigan, Sonntag,  
Bonomo, Leonard, Rojek

**Nays:** None

**Absent:** Kirksey, Doherty, Whalen, Andreas

**Abstain:** None

*Motion carried.*

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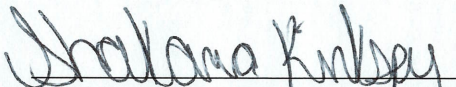
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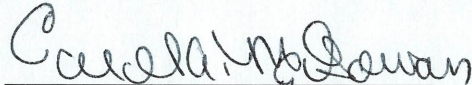
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**The Board meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.**

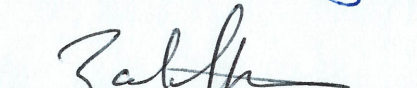
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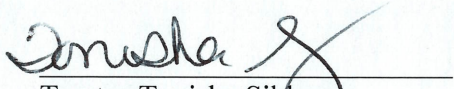
  
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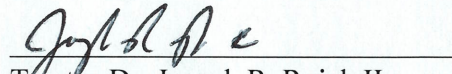
  
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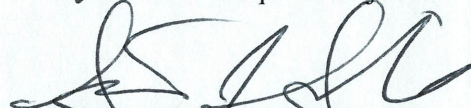
  
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Date: 2/18/2025