

Township Trustees of Schools

TOWNSHIP 38 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST

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NOTICE

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lyons Township School Treasurer's Office

September 28, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.

The Board of Township Trustees of Schools, Range 38 North, Range 12 East, Illinois (Lyons Township) have called a regular meeting on August 24, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.

Pursuant to Governor Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-07, the special meeting was held virtually via Microsoft Teams

Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting Information

Conference ID: 934 534 762#

<u>Board of School Trustees</u>	<u>VIRTUALLY PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Mr. Michael Thiessen	<u>X</u>	---
Mr. Michael Dickman	<u>X</u>	---
Mr. Nicholas Kantas	<u>X</u>	---

Staff Virtually Present

Mr. Kenneth T. Getty, Treasurer

Ms. Brigid Murphy, Director of Finance and Operations

Others Virtually Present

Ms. Amy Purham, Attorney

Ms. Cynthia Schilski, League of Women Voters

Ms. Kathleen Graffam, League of Women Voters

Call to Order

President Thiessen called the meeting to order at 6:15 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

Ms. Graffam asked if any of the Treasurer's Office Trustee's terms would be expiring in April 2021 and if the TTO currently has the nomination petitions available for pick up.

Trustee Dickman answered that his term was expiring in April 2021 and Treasurer Getty

ensured that nominating petitions would be available once the Cook County Clerk's Office provided the information to the Treasurer's Office.

August 24, 2020, TTO Open Session Minutes

Motion by Trustee Dickman to approve the August 24, 2020, open session minutes as presented. **Seconded by President Thiessen.**

Roll Call: Ayes: Thiessen, Dickman
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstained: Kantas

Motion carried.

August 24, 2020, TTO Closed Session Minutes

Motion by Trustee Dickman to approve the August 24, 2020, closed session minutes as presented. **Seconded by President Thiessen.**

Roll Call: Ayes: Thiessen, Dickman
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstained: Kantas

Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Getty updated the Trustees on the health of TTO staff and their families since the last meeting and in relations to the Covid-19 pandemic. Treasurer Getty commended the TTO staff for continuing to meet the needs of member districts amidst these trying times. Treasurer Getty noted that the Treasurer's Office FY20 Audit has been completed, member districts have been notified and the audit has been posted on the TTO website. The TTO auditors, Miller Cooper, will be attending the October Board meeting to answer any questions. Additionally, Treasurer Getty notified the Board of the Tyler Tech security breach and the steps that TTO staff took over the past weekend to protect against unauthorized access to the Infinite Visions.

Review the Lyons Township Treasurer's Financial Reports

Treasurer Getty reviewed the Lyons Township School Treasurer's financial statements with the Board of School Trustees for August 2020.

September 28, 2020 Payables

Motion by Trustee Dickman to approve the September 28, 2020, payables in the amount \$65,701.56 as presented. **Seconded by Trustee Kantas.**

Roll Call: Ayes: Thiessen, Dickman, Kantas
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion carried.

Review School Districts Official Records

Board of School Trustees discussion and review of the Lyons Township Schools and Coop's financial records for July 2020.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approval of Surety Bond on behalf of Argo Community High School District 217:

Motion by Trustee Dickman to approve the Argo Community High School District 217 Surety Bond in the amount of \$668,750.00 School District 217 is responsible for the cost of the Surety Bond. **Seconded by Trustee Kantas.**

Roll Call: Ayes: Theissen, Dickman & Kantas,
 Nays: None
 Absent: None

Motion carried.

Review/Approval of Depositories

Motion by Trustee Dickman to approve the Authorized Depositories as presented.

Seconded by Trustee Kantas.

Roll Call: Ayes: Dickman, Thiessen, Kantas
 Nays: None
 Absent: None

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Pro-Rata Receivables - FY2019

Treasurer Getty provided an update on the FY2019 Pro-rata receivables. All member districts have paid in full with the exception of the partial payment made by District 204.

Cook County Tax Distribution – FY2021

The TTO is closely monitoring the current tax collection/distribution of the second installment of 2019 property tax collections by the Cook County Treasurer's Office. As of the end of August 2020 we are seeing an approximate 10% year-over-year decrease in tax distributions as of the date of this meeting. There is one additional distribution due on September 30, 2020, and this information will be sent to all member districts.

District 204 Litigation Update

Trail dates have been set for 11/9/20, 11/10/2020, 11/12/20, 11/16/2020 and 11/17/2020 via Zoom. Zoom will allow for maximum participation from member districts and the public. All filings are current and available on the TTO's public website. The Trustees remain willing to participate in settlement discussions.

Semi-Annual Review of Closed Session Minutes

Motion by Trustee Dickman to postpone the semi-annual review of closed session minutes until the next meeting. **Seconded by Trustee Kantas.**

Roll Call: Ayes: Thiessen, Dickman & Kantas
 Nays: None
 Absent: None

Motion carried.

Motion to suspend the Regular Meeting for the purpose of entering closed session
Motion at 6:50pm by Trustee Dickman to enter closed session under:

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.”

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.”

Seconded by Trustee Kantas.

Roll Call: Ayes: Thiessen, Dickman & Kantas
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion carried.


Adjournment

Motion by Trustee Dickman to simultaneously adjourn the closed session and the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees at 7:28 P.M. **Seconded by Trustee Kantas.**


Roll Call: Ayes: Thiessen, Dickman & Kantas
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion carried.


Minutes approved by:



President, Michael Thiessen



Trustee, Michael Dickman



Trustee, Nicholas A. Kantas

Date: 10/26/2020

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MINUTES OF THE CLOSED MEETING OF THE LYONS TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES OF SCHOOLS

September 28, 2020

1. Call to Order.

The Closed Session of the Lyons Township Trustees of Schools was called to order by President Thiessen at 6:50 PM.

2. Roll Call.

Taken by President Thiessen. Present were President Thiessen, Trustee Kantas, and Trustee Dickman. Also present were Treasurer Ken Getty, Brigid Murphy, Director of Finance and Operations, Barry P. Kaltenbach, Attorney, Gerald E. Kubasiak, Attorney and Amy L. Purham, Attorney.

3. 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 a 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. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).

The Trustees discussed the status of pending litigation.

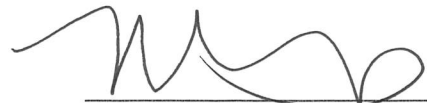
4. Adjournment.

Trustee Dickman moved to adjourn the Closed Session, seconded by Trustee Kantas. Closed Session was adjourned at 7:28 PM.

Minutes Approved by:



President, Michael Thiessen



Trustee Nicholas Kantas



Trustee Michael Dickman

Date: 10/26/2020