

Board of Education Regular Meeting
Wednesday, June 10, 2026 6:30 PM Central

Lakeview Junior High School
701 Plainfield Road
Downers Grove, IL 60516

Steve Dlugo: Present
Megan DuPass: Present
Brian Liedtke: Absent
Adam Sage: Present
Darren Spiegel: Present
Tiffany Watson: Present
Doug Wiley: Present
Present: 6, Absent: 1.

I. Call Meeting to Order

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Board Vice President Tiffany Watson.

II. Pledge

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited previously at the Budget Hearing Meeting.

III. Recognition of Visitors

In-person visitors included Carrie Fitzgerald, Jake Little, and Olivia Mitchell. Online attendees included Sheri Sulima, Jennifer Little, Beth Edwards, Kristin Platt, Kari Gemmell, Elizabeth Uribe, Mark Orszula, Meghan Aleo, Cindy Khatri, Jessica Rost and Randy Little.

IV. Scheduled Time to Address the Board

There were no scheduled speakers for the June 10, 2026 Board of Education meeting.

V. Consent Agenda

V.A. Monthly Meeting Minutes

V.B. District's Monthly Financial Statements

V.C. Monthly Board Bills Payable

V.D. New Items

V.D.1. Approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Dst 61 for Technology Director

V.D.2. Approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Dst 61 for Assistant Director of Technology

V.D.3. Approve Carol Tedeschi Employment for SY26-27 and Retirement on June 30, 2028

V.D.4. Approve the Retirement of Maria Gannon, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, effective June 30, 2028

V.D.5. Approve the Property and Casualty Insurance Renewal

V.D.6. Approve the Gorenz & Associates Audit for FY26

V.D.7. Approve the JED Agreement for Mental Health Technical Assistance

V.D.8. Approve the Hire of Sarah Beuhler, Speech Language Pathologist, Prairieview

V.D.9. Approve the Hire of Amanda Kouba, Math Teacher, Lakeview

V.D.10. Approve the Hires of Amy Kruchten & Andrea Eberly, Paraprofessionals, Prairieview

V.D.11. Approve the Non-Renewal of Lama Sarhan, Paraprofessional, Prairieview

V.D.12. Approve the Resignation of Jake Little, Principal, Prairieview

VI. Approve Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda. This motion, made by Doug Wiley and seconded by Steve Dlugo, Passed.

Brian Liedtke: Absent, Steve Dlugo: Yea, Megan DuPass: Yea, Adam Sage: Yea, Darren Spiegel: Yea, Tiffany Watson: Yea, Doug Wiley: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VII. Communication

VII.A. FOIA Requests

There were 2 FOIA requests that the District complied with.

VIII. Principal Reports

VIII.A. Elizabeth Ide Elementary

Elizabeth Ide reported that on May 27, Ide staff celebrated the final Data Day of the 2025-26 school year, reviewing student progress from AimswebPlus and MAP assessments. The results showcased significant academic growth in reading and math across grade levels, reflecting the dedication of students, staff, and families. On May 7, Elizabeth Ide hosted "Night with the Pride," a celebration where students, families, and staff gathered to showcase classroom achievements and strengthen community bonds, fostering pride and connection within the Elizabeth Ide community. On May 19, Prairieview's Student Leadership Team visited Elizabeth Ide to engage with kindergarten students through stories and activities, promoting leadership and student connection across grade levels. Although the school year is ending, learning continues into the summer, reflecting the ongoing commitment to student growth and community engagement. Field Day was a fun and teamwork-filled event with great weather, exciting activities, and strong support from staff and volunteers, creating a memorable experience for students.

VIII.B. Prairieview Elementary

Prairieview Elementary gave an account of the school year concluding with assessments, field trips, and special events, including a successful trip to Naper Settlement and a visit from author Amy Logan to promote kindness and summer reading. Notably, nearly 90% of students in the Triple A program achieved proficiency on the IAR, with some teachers' students all scoring proficient, highlighting outstanding efforts in student achievement. Prairieview students have demonstrated genuine inclusivity and kindness toward SASED students, with one fifth grader reflecting on how these relationships positively impacted his social skills and personal growth. Additionally, the Student Leadership Team's visit to Elizabeth Ide to read

with kindergarten students exemplifies their leadership and commitment to fostering connections across grade levels. May celebrates the dedication of parents and Team 66 with events like Teacher Appreciation Week, Field Day, and the 5th Grade Friendly, creating memorable experiences for students. Thanks to their support, students enjoy a month filled with community, fun, and recognition.

VIII.C. Lakeview Junior High

Lakeview celebrated a successful end to the school year with a graduation ceremony, dances, and trips, highlighting students' dedication and leadership. The enthusiasm and commitment from students and staff left the school feeling hopeful and excited for continued growth and success in the upcoming year. Lakeview students demonstrated outstanding participation in clubs and activities this year, with new offerings like the Fishing Club and Weightlifting Club contributing to a vibrant extracurricular community. The upcoming addition of wrestling aims to further engage students, while the end-of-year assembly encouraged future students to get involved early to build friendships, skills, and community connection. Overall, strong involvement in extracurriculars continues to enrich the student experience and strengthen the school community. Lakeview is already underway with summer facility improvements, including roof replacements and a major renovation of the large gym to enhance athletic events and community gatherings. These upgrades, led by Tom Tiede's dedicated leadership, will provide a better experience for students, fans, and the school community for years to come.

IX. Director Reports

IX.A. Director of Student Services

Dr. Rhoads reported that Elizabeth Ide's Targeted Summer School Program is currently supporting nearly 110 students with small-group instruction in reading, math, and social-emotional learning to maintain academic progress and confidence. The program's success is made possible by a dedicated team of staff and transportation personnel, ensuring a positive learning environment and safe, reliable student transportation throughout the summer. The District's Spring SEL assessment showed strong social-emotional competencies across schools, with students demonstrating notable growth in emotion regulation, engagement, and perseverance. These results will guide ongoing SEL programming, MTSS supports, and school improvement efforts to further support students' social, emotional, and academic development. Dr. Rhoads also shared that he was finalizing expenditure reports for the current grant cycle and drafting applications for the 2026-27 school year, including ESSA, IDEA, and PFA grants, to strategically support staffing, professional development, interventions, and instructional resources aligned with the MTSS framework. Once approved, these funds will enhance various educational priorities to benefit student success.

IX.B. Director of Learning

During the last month of school, teachers supported smooth transitions for students through tours and orientation activities, while also engaging students in projects, field trips, and activities that fostered both academic growth and whole-child development. As the year concluded, emphasis was placed on celebrating achievements, strengthening relationships, and preparing students for upcoming transitions. Additionally, students completed their final assessments, providing important data to measure academic progress and guide future

instruction. Dr. Liles announced that data from these assessments will be shared in July to inform ongoing planning and support.

IX.C. Director of Technology

Director Roberts reported that Gemini adoption remains steady this month. Following the board's approval of the AI Framework, efforts are now focused on developing it further. Skyward registration has launched successfully, and the June 15 rollover is proceeding as scheduled. MacBook Airs are being distributed to IDE and PV staff for the summer, while K-1 iPads and the upcoming batch of Chromebooks are prepared for summer setup. The network audit identified a few areas for improvement, and security and procedural enhancements are underway, including additional cameras where needed. Summer plans are in motion and progressing smoothly.

IX.D. Director of Transportation/Buildings and Grounds

The transportation department successfully concluded the school year and is already preparing for summer, including practicing routes for summer school and ESY programs, with retirements of key drivers Mr. Stocker and Mr. Walper. Replacement hires will be made in July to fill vacancies, and the bus fleet will undergo maintenance and certifications for the upcoming year, with plans to purchase two buses off lease and propose trading in a lease return to buy a used mini bus for special needs transportation. Moving toward ownership of vehicles aims to reduce long-term costs despite increased maintenance expenses, and ongoing support is appreciated. Director Tiede also reported that less than 12 hours after the last staff members exited the buildings, roofing supplies were being hoisted onto the roof at Lakeview, flooring materials were delivered to both Prairieview and Lakeview, and preparations started on the Prairieview field and playground for improvements, including upgrades to the playground areas and overall grading and drainage of the field.

X. Superintendent Report

X.A. District Dashboard

The District Dashboard is available online on the District website. There are no changes to report for the month.

X.B. Resolution Appointing the School Treasurer

School Board Treasurer Doug Wiley was appointed, once again, as School Treasurer. This is an annual occurrence.

X.C. Treasurer and Surety Bond Resolutions

This is an annual occurrence as well. The District needs to be bonded individually and collectively.

X.D. Resolution to Designate Accrued Interest

This resolution allows us to use interest gained in funds.

X.E. FY26 Amended Budget

Dr. Wise presented the Amended Budget and commended the Board of Education for putting \$500,000 in Fund Balance, keeping their commitment to rebuild balances, enhance curriculum, provide support personnel, and improve facilities.

X.F. Resolutions for Abatements

Included are two transfers to the Operations Maintenance Fund. One is \$100,000 from the Education Fund and the other is \$320,000 from the Working Cash Fund. Both resolutions had a motion which was approved.

X.G. 3 Year Plan for Maintenance, Renovation and Space Enhancements

Director Tiede provided a three-year plan to finish Health Life Safety projects, building enhancements, and to address space concerns. While the majority of the items referred to roofs, walls, floors, concrete, asphalt, HVAC, and plumbing, other items included enhancing learning and competition spaces, as well as a space reconfiguration and space addition project. The space reconfiguration project planned for summer 2026-27 would reduce the size of the current Administrative offices, thus creating new instructional space for the Instructional Coach, Interventionist, EL Teacher, and Student Experience Coordinator. The reconfiguration would create a shared conference room for Prairieview and the District Office, as well as relocate the Art Room one classroom to the southeast. Dr. Wise presented a proposal that would add space to Lakeview by enclosing the old entrance to the building, which is currently the door the bus riders enter. The area currently has concrete and a vestibule which needs to be replaced, and it would be a good use of dollars to enclose the area, and use it for added learning space. Additions previously considered were close to \$20 million; this addition would be closer to \$5 million and would fit within the debt certificates already issued, resulting in no additional cost to tax payers.

X.H. Mini Bus Purchase Recommendation

The recommendation was to trade in one full-size lease bus return and use the equity to help purchase a used minibus. Director Tiede found a mini-bus which would be perfect for ball teams, special education routes, or overflow routes at a great price.

X.I. Final Reading of Board Policies: 2:210, 2:220, 2:250, 2:260, 2:265, 3:40, 3:50, 3:70, 4:150, 4:165, 5:10, 5:20, 5:50, 5:80, 5:170, 5:330, 6:145, 6:170, 7:20, 7:60, 7:160, 7:240, 7:255, and 7:270.

The Spring batch of Policies has been reviewed and are inside the packet for approval.

X.J. Strategic Plan Update

Dr. Wise shared that a new Strategic Planning Committee would be gathering in August to work on the Mission, Vision, and Goals of the District for 2027 and beyond. He noted that the final outcome of the space additions would mirror the work of the Strategic Planning Committee, as the facility needs to match student educational programming.

X.K. Support Staff Compensation and Benefit Update

X.L. Revised SY 26-27 School Calendar

A change in the 2026-27 school calendar was presented. Tuesday, November 3, 2026, is not a state holiday this year. Therefore, it will be changed to a student attendance day. In addition, the Institute Day on Monday, November 2nd, will also be changed to a student attendance day. The last day of school for students, before emergency days, will be Tuesday, June 1, 2027.

X.M. Recommendation to Hire Mark Pagel and Laura Gilmartin as Interim Principals at Prairieview Elementary for the 2026-2027 School Year

Dr. Wise shared that the District is very fortunate to have two interim Principals willing to serve as Co-Principals for next year. They are Mark Pagel (former long-time Principal at Prairieview) and Laura Gilmartin (former Teacher, Principal, and Curriculum Director).

Principal Pagel and Principal Gilmartin are familiar with the students, parents, and employees of our District, and will be a great bridge to the future leader of Prairieview.

XI. Public Comment

XII. Action items

XII.A. Motion to approve the Resolution Appointing School Treasurer

Motion to approve the Resolution appointing School Treasurer. This motion, made by Steve Dlugo and seconded by Darren Spiegel, Passed.

Brian Liedtke: Absent, Steve Dlugo: Yea, Megan DuPass: Yea, Adam Sage: Yea, Darren Spiegel: Yea, Tiffany Watson: Yea, Doug Wiley: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

XII.B. Motion to approve the Treasurer and Surety Bond Resolutions

Motion to approve the Treasurer and Surety Bond Resolutions. This motion, made by Tiffany Watson and seconded by Adam Sage, Passed.

Brian Liedtke: Absent, Steve Dlugo: Yea, Megan DuPass: Yea, Adam Sage: Yea, Darren Spiegel: Yea, Tiffany Watson: Yea, Doug Wiley: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

XII.C. Motion to approve the Resolution to Designate Accrued Interest

Motion to approve the Resolution to Designate Accrued Interest. This motion, made by Megan DuPass and seconded by Steve Dlugo, Passed.

Brian Liedtke: Absent, Steve Dlugo: Yea, Megan DuPass: Yea, Adam Sage: Yea, Darren Spiegel: Yea, Tiffany Watson: Yea, Doug Wiley: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

XII.D. Motion to approve the FY26 Amended Budget

Motion to approve the FY26 Amended Budget. This motion, made by Doug Wiley and seconded by Darren Spiegel, Passed.

Brian Liedtke: Absent, Steve Dlugo: Yea, Megan DuPass: Yea, Adam Sage: Yea, Darren Spiegel: Yea, Tiffany Watson: Yea, Doug Wiley: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

XII.E. Motion to approve the Resolution for the Abatement of \$100,000 from the Education Fund to Operations Maintenance Fund

Motion to approve the Resolution for the Abatement of \$100,000 from the Education Fund to Operations Maintenance Fund. This motion, made by Megan DuPass and seconded by Doug Wiley, Passed.

Brian Liedtke: Absent, Steve Dlugo: Yea, Megan DuPass: Yea, Adam Sage: Yea, Darren Spiegel: Yea, Tiffany Watson: Yea, Doug Wiley: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

XII.F. Motion to approve the Resolution of the Abatement of \$320,000 from the Working Cash Fund to Operations Maintenance Fund

Motion to approve the Resolution of the Abatement of \$320,000 from the Working Cash Fund to Operations Maintenance Fund. This motion, made by Adam Sage and seconded by Steve Dlugo, Passed.

Brian Liedtke: Absent, Steve Dlugo: Yea, Megan DuPass: Yea, Adam Sage: Yea, Darren Spiegel: Yea, Tiffany Watson: Yea, Doug Wiley: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

XII.G. Motion to approve trading in one full-size lease bus return and using the equity to help purchase a used mini bus.

Motion to approve the trading in of one full-size lease bus return and using the equity to help purchase a used mini bus. This motion, made by Megan DuPass and seconded by Darren Spiegel, Passed.

Brian Liedtke: Absent, Steve Dlugo: Yea, Megan DuPass: Yea, Adam Sage: Yea, Darren Spiegel: Yea, Tiffany Watson: Yea, Doug Wiley: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

XII.H. Approve Policies 2:210, 2:220, 2:250, 2:260, 2:265, 3:40, 3:50, 3:70, 4:150, 4:165, 5:10, 5:20, 5:50, 5:80, 5:170, 5:330, 6:145, 6:170, 7:20, 7:60, 7:160, 7:240, 7:255, and 7:270. Motion to approve Board Policies 2:210, 2:220, 2:250, 2:260, 2:265, 3:40, 3:50, 3:70, 4:150, 4:165, 5:10, 5:20, 5:50, 5:80, 5:170, 5:330, 6:145, 6:170, 7:20, 7:60, 7:160, 7:240, 7:255, and 7:270. This motion, made by Doug Wiley and seconded by Adam Sage, Passed.

Brian Liedtke: Absent, Steve Dlugo: Yea, Megan DuPass: Yea, Adam Sage: Yea, Darren Spiegel: Yea, Tiffany Watson: Yea, Doug Wiley: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

XII.I. Motion to approve the revised SY 26-27 Calendar

Motion to approve the revised SY26-27 Calendar. This motion, made by Megan DuPass and seconded by Darren Spiegel, Passed.

Brian Liedtke: Absent, Steve Dlugo: Yea, Megan DuPass: Yea, Adam Sage: Yea, Darren Spiegel: Yea, Tiffany Watson: Yea, Doug Wiley: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

XII.J. Motion to approve Mark Pagel and Laura Gilmartin as Interim Principals at Prairieview Elementary for the 2026-2027 School Year.

Motion to approve Mark Pagel and Laura Gilmartin as Interim Principals at Prairieview Elementary for the 2026-2027 school year. This motion, made by Darren Spiegel and seconded by Steve Dlugo, Passed.

Brian Liedtke: Absent, Steve Dlugo: Yea, Megan DuPass: Yea, Adam Sage: Yea, Darren Spiegel: Yea, Tiffany Watson: Yea, Doug Wiley: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

XIII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn. This motion, made by Adam Sage and seconded by Steve Dlugo, Passed.

Brian Liedtke: Absent, Steve Dlugo: Yea, Megan DuPass: Yea, Adam Sage: Yea, Darren Spiegel: Yea, Tiffany Watson: Yea, Doug Wiley: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

The June 10, 2026 Board of Education meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria Gannon, recording secretary

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education