



**LINCOLNWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT 74
BOARD OF EDUCATION**
Facilities Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 21, 2026 at 6:00 PM

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Courtney L. Whited, *Business Manager/CSBO*

***Minutes of the Facilities Committee Meeting of the Board of Education of Lincolnwood School District 74,
Cook County, Illinois, was held in the Marvin Garlich Administration Building
6950 N. East Prairie Road, Lincolnwood, Illinois 60712, on Tuesday, April 21, 2026.***

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair Vranas called the Facilities Committee meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEMBERS

John P. Vranas (BOE), Chair
Myra A. Foutris, Co-Chair (BOE)
Elissa B. Rosenberg (BOE)

FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Emily McCall, Community Member

ADMINISTRATORS/STAFF

Dr. David L. Russo, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Dominick M. Lupo, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction
Courtney L. Whited, Business Manager/CSBO
James Caldwell, Sr., Director of Buildings & Grounds
Jordan Stephen, Director of Technology

OTHERS PRESENT

Athi Toufexis, StudioGC (via zoom)

2. AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Facilities Committee Meeting Minutes - **OCTOBER 21, 2025**

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the October 21, 2025 Facilities Committee meeting minutes.

4. OLD BUSINESS

a. Proposed Mural Artwork in the Door 7 Stairwell at Rutledge Hall

Dr. David Russo, Superintendent of Schools, discussed the Proposed Mural Artwork in the Door 7 Stairwell at Rutledge Hall. Dr. Russo explained that the Rutledge Hall Art Club is taking on the project of creating a mural of Ann Rutledge. There are no known pictures of Ann Rutledge, so the students created a mural of a woman who is historically representative of Rutledge's era. The Committee suggested incorporating something in the mural to relate either to President Lincoln or the capital of Springfield.

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. Proposed Replacement of the 'Anything is Possible' Sign

Dr. David Russo proposed replacement of the 'Anything is Possible' Sign, to 'One Campus, One Community', and

discussed the pricing. The Committee recommended that the students have input with the language and/or having a part in the painting of the signage. The Committee would like to see a sign comparable to the “We Are One” t-shirts as part of a larger student art project.

- b. Winters 2026-27 & 2027-28 Snow Removal Services from Contour Landscaping Inc.
Courtney L. Whited, Business Manager/CSBO, shared the 2-year quote for the snow removal services. The Committee recommended a 3-year quote to extend through Winter 2028-29.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed that the Facilities Committee concurs with the Administration’s recommendation to the Board of Education to approve this Contract from Contour Landscaping, Inc. for snow removal services in the base amount of \$9,958 per winter season from November 1, 2026 through March 31, 2029.

- c. Rutledge Hall Kitchen Renovation
Courtney Whited discussed the Rutledge Hall Kitchen Renovation and explained that there will also be some additional trades necessary to complete installation of the new freezer/cooler that are being finalized.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed that the Facilities Committee concurs with the Administration’s recommendation to the Board of Education to approve the Agreements from Tri-Mark for Rutledge Hall Kitchen renovations not to exceed \$80,000 to be completed during Summer 2026.

- d. Renaissance Communication System Installation of Todd Hall AirPhone System
Jordan Stephen, Director of Technology, provided background, recommended solutions, and system features. The Committee recommended combining this Agenda item with Agenda items E and F.

- e. Renaissance Communication System Installation of Rutledge Hall AirPhone System
The Committee recommended combining this Agenda item with Agenda items D and F.

- f. Renaissance Communication System Upgrade of Lincoln Hall AirPhone System

A motion was made, seconded, and passed that the Facilities Committee concurs with the Administration’s recommendation to the Board of Education to approve the quotes from Renaissance Communication Systems for the installation of a Door Intercom/Video Surveillance system for Todd Hall, Rutledge Hall, and Lincoln Hall in the amount of \$31,750.

- g. Renaissance Communication System Installation of District Updated Panic Alarm System

A motion was made, seconded, and passed that the Facilities Committee concurs with the Administration’s recommendation to the Board of Education to approve the quote from Renaissance Communication Systems for the installation of an updated Bosch Panic and Alarm System in all buildings on Lincolnwood School District 74’s campus in the amount of \$18,570.

6. District Facilities Update

- a. District Traffic Patterns

The Committee discussed cars entering East Prairie Road northbound from Pratt Avenue, parking on the east side of East Prairie Road letting their students cross mid-block to the school. Dr. Russo will inquire about having flashing lights on Crawford Avenue and Pratt Avenue financed through a traffic grant the District applied for through the Village of Lincolnwood.

- b. On April 23, 2026, the Finance Committee will be discussing a possible \$6.0 million general obligation working cash bond. Tammie Beckwith Schallmo from PMA will be guiding the discussion. This presentation is located in the April 23, 2026 Finance Committee packet.

1. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made, seconded, and passed to adjourn the Facilities Committee meeting at 6:46 p.m.

The next Facilities Committee meeting will be held Tuesday, May 19, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. The public is welcome.

John P. Vranas, Chair

Myra A. Foutris, Co-chair