

TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 211
Palatine, Illinois

BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING

July 17, 2025

6:30 p.m.

(Official)

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, Township High School District 211, Cook County, Illinois was held on July 17, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. in the G.A. McElroy Administration Center at 1750 South Roselle Road, Palatine, Illinois. Access for the public to view the Board of Education Meeting live-stream was available on the District 211 YouTube channel using the video button on the Board meeting agenda on District 211's website.

Call to Order

Roll Call

On a roll call, the following officers and members were:

Physically Present: Michelle Barron, Secretary and Member
Kimberly Cavill, Vice President and Member
Peter Dombrowski, Member
Anne Lopez, Member
Jane Russell, Member
Kenneth Van Dyke, Member

Absent: Steven Rosenblum, President and Member

Also present were: Superintendent Judith Campbell; members of the District administrative staff; interested citizens; and members of the press.

Pledge of Allegiance

Vice President Cavill led the Board of Education and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Closed Session

Review of Closed Session Items

Ms. Russell made a motion, seconded by Ms. Barron, that the Board enter closed session to discuss minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act [5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (21)]; appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees [5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1)].

After discussion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye: Michelle Barron
Peter Dombrowski
Anne Lopez

Jane Russell
Kenneth Van Dyke
Kimberly Cavill

Nay: None

The motion carried 6-0.

The Board of Education left for closed session at 6:31 p.m. and resumed open session at 7:30 p.m.

Return to Open Session

Roll Call

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that the Board return to open session.

On which motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye: Michelle Barron
Peter Dombrowski
Anne Lopez
Jane Russell
Kenneth Van Dyke
Kimberly Cavill

Nay: None

The motion carried 6-0.

Pledge of Allegiance

Vice President Cavill led the Board of Education and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition

Vice President Cavill invited Superintendent Campbell to begin recognitions.

State Award Winners

Superintendent Campbell introduced Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Joshua Schumacher.

Mr. Schumacher introduced Hoffman Estates High School Principal Michael Alther, and Esports Team Coach Gonzalo Bullon. Mr. Bullon introduced and Mr. Alther presented medallions to Ethan Bose, Xavier Domanski, Matthew Lopez and Jorge Prieto for 4th Place Mario Kart at the IHSA Esports State Championship; and David Galu and Troy Johnson for 3rd Place Rocket League at the IHSA Esports State Championship.

On behalf of the Board of Education, Ms. Cavill thanked and congratulated all the students, parents, teachers, coaches and sponsors for their dedication and amazing successes. Also, welcomed Dr. Campbell to District 211.

Public Comments and Hearings

Public Comments

Vice President Cavill made the following announcement:

“The next item on our agenda is Public Comments. The Board welcomes you and is pleased to listen to your comments this evening.

It is important that you know this is a public Board meeting and not a dialogue, so the Board members will not be responding to your comments or answering your questions at this time. As a reminder, the Board meeting is being taped and live-streamed. We ask that you value the procedures and decorum of our meeting and be respectful of those at the podium so they may be heard.

When I call your name, please come forward to the podium and state your name for the record. Though not required, you may state if you are a resident of the District. Please limit your comments to five minutes. You will receive a notification when you have one minute remaining. Any individual’s unused time or place in order may not be deferred to another individual.

If you wish a response from the Superintendent, please leave your name and phone number with Mr. Tenopir.”

The following individual addressed the Board regarding boys’ volleyball for sophomores: Lee Bennett.

Presentations

There were no presentations this evening

Consent Agenda Items

The following consent agenda items (indicated by an *) were enacted by one motion:

***Consent Agenda with the Removal of Resolutions Authorizing Intervention in Proceedings Before the State Property Tax Appeal Board, be approved as presented.**

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that the Consent Agenda with the Removal of Resolutions Authorizing Intervention in Proceedings Before the State Property Tax Appeal Board, be approved as presented.

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Kimberly Cavill
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried 6-0.

***Approval of Minutes-Regular Meeting of June 12, 2025**

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that the minutes of the regular meeting of June 12, 2025 be approved as presented.

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Kimberly Cavill
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried 6-0.

***Approval of Bills for Payment**

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that bills in the amount of \$69,131,383.20 be approved as presented

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Kimberly Cavill
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried 6-0.

***Financial Reports – As of May 31, 2025 and June 30, 2025**

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that the financial reports as of May 31, 2025 and June 30, 2025 be accepted as presented.

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Kimberly Cavill
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried 6-0.

***Investment Reports – As of May 31, 2025 and June 30, 2025**

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that the investment reports as of May 31, 2025 and June 30, 2025 be accepted as presented.

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Kimberly Cavill
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried 6-0.

***Variance Reports – As of May 31, 2025 and June 30, 2025**

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that the variance reports as of May 31, 2025 and June 30, 2025 accepted as presented.

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Kimberly Cavill
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried 6-0.

***Student Activities Reports – As of May 31, 2025 and June 30, 2025**

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that the student activities reports as of May 31, 2025 and June 30, 2025 be accepted as presented.

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Kimberly Cavill
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried 6-0.

Personnel Recommendations

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that the personnel recommendations be approved as presented.

Part-Time Teacher Employment First Semester: (Effective 2025-2026 School Year)

Jansky, Charlotte; music, Schaumburg High School/William Fremd High School
Mowinski, Michael; wellness/driver's ed., Academy North/Higgins Education Center

Resignations:

Hastings, Travis; assistant principal, Palatine High School

Support Staff New Hires:

Christenson, Matthew; safety & security, Hoffman Estates High School
McGowan, John; custodial/maintenance, G. A. McElroy Administration Center

Support Staff Resignations:

Blanck, Lee; teacher assistant, William Fremd High School
Bonilla, Katherine; support staff, Higgins Education Center
Callison, Matthew; teacher assistant, William Fremd High School
Cosgriff, John; teacher assistant, Higgins Education Center
Dipasquale, Carrie; teacher assistant, James B. Conant High School
Esmael, Matthew; teacher assistant, Higgins Education Center
Monaco, Joseph; custodial/maintenance, William Fremd High School
Okigawa, Charlene; support staff, Palatine High School
Ruano, Ricardo; teacher assistant, Palatine High School

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Kimberly Cavill
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried 6-0.

***Surplus School Property**

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that the Board of Education authorize the sale of a DoAll metal-cutting vertical band saw; Snap-On equipment and camera alignment machine system; and Redi Haul 8ft x 25ft flat-bed trailer by way of public auction site, public sealed bid or company trade-in.

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Kimberly Cavill
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried 6-0.

***Resolution: Hazardous Transportation Areas**

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that the Board of Education approve the resolution identifying hazardous transportation areas for students walking to James B. Conant, Hoffman Estates, and William Fremd High Schools, as presented.

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Kimberly Cavill
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried 6-0.

***Resolution: Employment of Summer School Staff**

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that the resolution to employ teachers for the 2025 summer school session be adopted as presented.

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Kimberly Cavill
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried 6-0.

Resolutions Authorizing Intervention in Proceedings Before the State Property Tax Appeal Board

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that the Board of Education approve the resolutions authorizing intervention in proceedings before the state property tax appeal board which seek assessed valuation reductions in excess of \$100,000 for property tax year 2024 (Docket Nos. 2024-35463; 2024-35849; 2024-40345; 2024-36574; 2024-35467; 2024-35545; 2024-33732; 2024-33272; 2024-35478; 2024-35473; 2024-35841; and 2024-34989); and, further, authorize Franczek, as the Board of Education’s legal representative, to file Request to Intervene in Appeal Proceeding forms with the property tax appeal board on properties for which the District receives notification of appeal. (Attached to official minutes)

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Michelle Barron Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Kimberly Cavill
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Nay:	Peter Dombrowski
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The motion carried 5-1.

Special Reports and Communications

Freedom of Information Act Requests

The Board of Education received and reviewed a report on Freedom of Information Act requests and responses.

Illinois High School Association Letter of Appreciation

The Board of Education received and reviewed a report on the Illinois High School Association Letter of Appreciation.

2025-2026 Tentative Budget: Transportation Fund

The Board of Education received and reviewed a report on the 2025-2026 Tentative Budget: Transportation Fund.

Unfinished Business

There is no unfinished business,

New Business

Website Platform for Rebuild, App and Mass Communications

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that the Board of Education approve the proposal submitted by Finalsight to rebuild and host District 211 websites; operate the District’s mass

communications system; and create and maintain a customizable mobile application at a cost of \$77,840 for the period of July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026, including the one-time rebuild cost. Furthermore, that the District enter into an additional four-year agreement with Finalsity for continued hosting of the websites, mass communications platform and mobile app at costs of \$51,506 (2026-2027); \$52,398 (2027-2028); \$53,318 (2028-2029); and \$54,267 (2029-2030), with an option for the District to cancel the renewal any year through written notice at least 90 days prior to the new term.

The following Board Member made a comment on Website Platform for Rebuild, App and Mass Communications: Ms. Cavill.

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Anne Lopez Michelle Barron Kenneth Van Dyke Jane Russell Peter Dombrowski Kimberly Cavill
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Nay:	None
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The motion carried 6-0.

2025-2026 Education Research Development Legislative Renewal

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell that the Board of Education renew its membership in ED-RED for the 2025-2026 school year at a fee of \$5,100.

The following Board Member made a comment on 2025-2026 Education Research Development Legislative Renewal: Ms. Cavill.

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Michelle Barron Jane Russell Anne Lopez Kimberly Cavill
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Nay:	Peter Dombrowski
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The motion carried 5-1.

Board Member Expenses

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that the Board of Education approve the Pre-Approval Form for Future Expense Reimbursement for Jane Russell to attend the IASB Joint Annual Conference/Triple I Conference Pre-Conference Workshops, November 21, 2025; and Steven Rosenblum to attend 2025-2026 NSSEO Monthly Governing Board Meetings as submitted.

After discussion, a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye: Kenneth Van Dyke
Anne Lopez
Michelle Barron
Jane Russell
Kimberly Cavill

Nay: Peter Dombrowski

The motion carried 5-1.

Potential Topics for Future Discussion

There were no Potential Topics for Future Discussion.

Committee Reports

Northwest Suburban Special Education Organization Report

Ms. Cavill reported on recent NSSEO activities.

Education Research Development/Legislative Report

Ms. Russell reported on the recent activities of ED-RED.

Community and Family Services Report

Ms. Barron reported on recent activities of Community and Family Services.

District 211 Foundation Report

Ms. Cavill reported on recent activities of the District 211 Foundation.

Illinois Association of School Boards Report

Ms. Russell reported on recent activities of the Illinois Association of School Boards.

Announcements

Upcoming Events/Calendar Items

July 17 -- Second Semester Summer School Ends

August 7 -- Teacher Institute -- No Classes

August 8 -- Teacher Institute -- No Classes

August 11 -- First Day of Classes 2025-2026 School Year

August 14 -- Board of Education Meeting -- 6:30 p.m.

Closed Session

Review of Closed Session Items

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that the Board enter closed session to discuss minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act [5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (21)]; appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees [5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1)].

After discussion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	None
Nay:	Michelle Barron Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Jane Russell Kenneth Van Dyke Kimberly Cavill

The motion failed 0-6.

Release of Closed Session Minutes

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that the closed session minutes of December 12, 2024; January 23, 2025; February 20, 2025; March 20, 2025; and May 15, 2025 no longer require confidential treatment and are to be approved and placed on file.

After discussion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye:	Kenneth Van Dyke Michelle Barron Jane Russell Peter Dombrowski Anne Lopez Kimberly Cavill
Nay:	None

The motion carried 6-0.

Acceptance of Retirement Requests

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that the Board of Education, in accordance with the Master Contract of the District 211 Teachers' Union, accept the following retirement requests: Michael Hernon, effective December 2029 and Jennifer Marshall, effective May 2029; and in accordance with the Master Contract of the District 211 United Support Staff, accept the following retirement requests: James Carlson, effective December 2025 and Dianne Dopka, effective June 2027; and in accordance with the District 211 Administrator Compensation and Benefit Package, accept the following retirement requests: Jennifer Beers, effective June 2029 and Fred Rasmussen, effective June 2029.

After discussion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye: Jane Russell
Peter Dombrowski
Anne Lopez
Kenneth Van Dyke
Michelle Barron
Kimberly Cavill

Nay: None

The motion carried 6-0.

Administrative Appointment

Ms. Barron made a motion, seconded by Ms. Russell, that effective July 21, 2025, Kathryn Sall be appointed as assistant principal at Palatine High School at an annual gross salary of \$135,000 prorated to her start date.

After discussion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Aye: Kenneth Van Dyke
Michelle Barron
Jane Russell
Anne Lopez
Peter Dombrowski
Kimberly Cavill

Nay: None

The motion carried 6-0.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education, Vice President Cavill thereupon declared the meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary, District 211

President, District 211