

**LARAWAY C.C.S.D. 70-C
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 16, 2025**

President Knight called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The Pledge was recited.

PRESENT: Brass, Fleet, Hopkins, Knight, D Matenaer, M Matenaer and Washington

ABSENT: None

MODIFICATION TO AGENDA:

E-Learning Hearing after Public Comments

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Ignacio Rojas, 912 Lake Road, New Lenox, IL, spoke on behalf of his wife Kristen Rojas, a former social worker for the school district.

Kristen Rojas, 912 Lake Road, New Lenox, IL, a former social worker at Laraway CCSD #70-C, made a few comments.

Frank Dillinger wanted the Board of Education to know that he has just been elected union president.

John Wood wanted the Board of Education know that Laraway CCSD #70-C is a fantastic place to work and this is the best administration we've ever had.

2025-2026 BUDGET HEARING:

Mrs. Fleet moved, seconded by Mr. Brass, "move to open the 2025-2026 budget hearing." On a roll call vote, Brass, Fleet, Hopkins, D Matenaer, M Matenaer and Washington voted aye. There were no nays. Motion passed 7-0.

Mrs. Fleet moved, seconded by Mrs. Matenaer, "move to close the 2025-2026 budget hearing." On a roll call vote, Brass, Fleet, Hopkins, D Matenaer, M Matenaer and Washington voted aye. There were no nays. Motion passed 7-0.

E-LEARNING VERIFICATION HEARING:

Mrs. Fleet moved, seconded by Mrs. Matenaer, "move to open the E-Learning Verification Hearing." On a roll call vote, Brass, Fleet, Hopkins, D Matenaer, M Matenaer and Washington voted aye. There were no nays. Motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Washington moved, seconded by Mrs. Fleet, “move to close the E-Learning Verification Hearing.” On a roll call vote, Brass, Fleet, Hopkins, D Matenaer, M Matenaer and Washington voted aye. There were no nays. Motion passed 7-0.

ACTION ITEMS:

Mrs. Fleet moved, seconded by Mrs. Matenaer, “move to approve the consent agenda of August and September Bills Payable; Imprest Payable; New Construction Payable; Payroll; Treasurer’s Report; FMLA – Special Education Director – Mrs. Meaghan Polensky; Resignation – Drama Club Sponsor – Ms. Cherrelle Negrusz; Resignation – Food Services Worker – Ms. Johnna Garrett; New Hire – Food Services Director – Mr. Houston Cantrell; New Hire – Jr Pom’s – Mrs. Lauryn Locke; New Hire – Jr Pom’s – Ms. Jasmine Lawson; New Hire – Jr Pom’s – Mrs. Jacqueline Martin; New Hire – Spirit Club – Mrs. Aracely Bennett; New Hire – 4th & 5th Grade Soccer Club – Mr. Jerry Vassalla; New Hire – 4th & 5th Grade Soccer Club – Mrs. Aracely Bennett; New Hire – Jr High Soccer Club – Mrs. Aracely Bennett; Payment for Staff Committee Meetings; Destruction of Audio Session Tape: Regular and Executive Session Board Meeting from August 12, 2025. On a roll call vote, Brass, Fleet, Hopkins, Knight, D Matenaer, M Matenaer and Washington voted aye. There were no nays. Motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Brass moved, seconded by Mr. Matenaer, “move to approve the 2025-2026 school budget, as presented.” On a roll call vote, Brass, Fleet, Hopkins, D Matenaer, M Matenaer and Washington voted aye. There were no nays. Motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Matenaer moved, seconded by Mrs. Matenaer, “move to approve Press Policy #119, as presented.” On a roll call vote, Brass, Fleet, Hopkins, D Matenaer, M Matenaer and Washington voted aye. There were no nays. Motion passed 7-0.

Mr. Brass moved, seconded by Mr. Hopkins, “move to approve the E-Learning Verification, as presented.” On a roll call vote, Brass, Fleet, Hopkins, D Matenaer, M Matenaer and Washington voted aye. There were no nays. Motion passed 7-0.

BUILDING ADMINISTRATION REPORTS:

Nothing at this time.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

- A. Superintendent’s March Conference
- B. Teegardin Retirement Contract
- C. Extracurriculars & Athletic Guidelines

REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS:

- A. Summer School Update
- B. SIP Report – October
- C. IAR Report – November
- D. Special Recognition BPAC Officers - November

ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE GOOD OF LARAWAY AREA:

- A. Three Rivers Division Meeting, October 23rd Prairie Bluff Golf Course

TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSIONS AND RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION:

- A. Triple I Conference – November 21st to 23rd
- B. Triple I Paradise Park Lunch – November 21st at 12:15pm
- C. Triple I Drake Hotel: Gold Coast Room – November 21st 5:30-7:30pm
- D. Triple I Frontera Grill Lunch – November 22nd at Noon
- E. Triple I Hyatt Regency Crystal Ballroom – November 22nd 5:30-7:30pm
- F. Triple I Smith & Wollensky Dinner – November 22nd at 8pm

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

- A. Regular Board Meeting – October 21, 2025 at 11am
- B. Regular Board Meeting – November 18, 2025 at 6pm
- C. Regular Board Meeting – December 16, 2025 at 11am
- D. Regular Board Meeting – January 20, 2026 at 6pm
- E. Regular Board Meeting – February 17, 2026 at 11am
- F. Regular Board Meeting – March 17, 2026 at 6pm
- G. Regular Board Meeting – April 21, 2026 at 11am
- H. Regular Board Meeting – May 19, 2026 at 6pm
- I. Regular Board Meeting – June 16, 2026 at 11am

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Fleet moved, seconded by Mr. Matenaer “move to adjourn to board meeting.” On a roll call vote, Brass, Fleet, Hopkins, Knight, D Matenaer, M Matenaer and Washington voted aye. There were no nays. Motion passed 7-0.

Date

President, Mr. Knight

Date

Secretary, Mrs. Matenaer