

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING AND WORKSHOP
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
LAKE FOREST SCHOOL DISTRICT 67
300 SOUTH WAUKEGAN ROAD, LAKE FOREST, IL 60045
MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Lake Forest School District 67, County of Lake, State of Illinois, was held on Monday, June 15, 2026, and called to order at 3:00 p.m. by President Greg Adamo.

PRESENT:

Jerry Lavin, Member
Megan Engelberg, Member
Mark Remus, Member

Greg Adamo, President
Lori Fitzgerald, Secretary
Monica Yaun, Vice - President

CABINET PRESENT:

None

ADMINISTRATION/STAFF PRESENT:

Elizabeth Carswell, Board Clerk

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: A motion was made by Ms. Yaun, and seconded by Ms. Engelberg, that the Lake Forest School District 67 Board of Education adjourned to Executive Session at 3:03 p.m. to discuss the selection of a person to fill a public office, as defined in the Open Meetings Act, including a vacancy in a public office, when the public body is given power to appoint under law or ordinance, or the discipline, performance or removal of the occupant of a public office, when the public body is given power to remove the occupant under law or ordinance. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(3)

ADJOURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: Mr. Lavin moved, seconded by Ms. Engelberg, that the Lake Forest School District 67 Board of Education return to Open Session at 5:46 p.m.

On Voice Vote, motion carried.

REOPEN REGULAR MEETING:

Mr. Adamo called back to order the Regular Meeting of the Lake Forest School District 67 Board of Education, Lake Forest, Illinois, at 5:46 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT AT ROLL CALL WERE:

Megan Engelberg, Member
Greg Adamo, President
Lori Fitzgerald, Secretary

Mark Remus, Member
Monica Yaun, Vice - President

ABSENT: Jerry Lavin, Member

CABINET: Matthew Montgomery, Superintendent
Jennifer Hermes, Chief Operating Officer/CSBO
Melissa Oakley, Chief Communications Officer
Phil Georgia, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources
Renee Fitzsimmons, Assistant Superintendent for TLA

ADMINISTRATION/STAFF PRESENT:

Brittany Tjardes, Director of Fiscal Services/CSBO
Elizabeth Carswell, Board Clerk
Sandy Jardine, DPM Green Team
Nicole Birmingham, DPM Green Team

GUESTS: Laura Gutting, Community Member
Kaine Osbourn, Director of Consortium for Interdistrict Collaboration (CIC)
Students of Deer Path Middle School Green Team

FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Tentative Budget

Brittany Tjardes presented the tentative budget for FY27, she explained the budget cycle, and how the budget is compiled. The revenues and expenditures were discussed. The tentative budget will be on display in June and the final budget will be presented for approval in September.

Intergovernmental Agreements with the City of Lake Forest

Dr. Hermes shared the Intergovernmental agreements with the board and gave a brief update on construction. The agreements will be voted on this evening.

WORKSHOP

Board members and Administration discussed the upcoming June 22, 2026 retreat and board committee assignments

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board and members of the community recited the Pledge of Allegiance

SPOTLIGHT

Deer Path Middle School Students and Nicole Birmingham spoke on “Operation Light Swap” this is a project initiated by DeerPath students to reduce energy use and carbon emissions. 7th and 8th grade hallways, where lights run 24 hrs a day, have been retrofitted for LED troffers. They hope to educate the community on the impact of efficient lighting while cutting cost and energy.

Kaine Osborne, Director of the Consortium for Interdistrict Collaboration (CIC) gave a learning report based on recent meetings held throughout the Districts.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Adamo thanked the board for being present for interviews and committing to the long day. He thanked the Administration and teachers for all their hard work and for a good end to another school year.

DISTRICT LEADERSHIP REPORT

Dr. Montgomery in collaboration with Dr. Fitzsimmons provided the District Leadership report. The topics consisted of: Deer Path Middle School Graduation 2026, Around the District, March with Us! The 2025-2026 Year in Review was also provided. The full report can be found online at the district's website.

LIAISON REPORTS

True North Cooperative

President Adamo gave a TrueNorth update, the budget has been approved and all phases of reconstruction are going well.

Legislative Liaison

Mark Remus shared that the Legislation has passed a ban on cell phones in schools. More will be shared as more information comes to light.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement for Crossing Guard Services

Motion: Mr. Remus moved, seconded by Ms. Yaun, that the Lake Forest School District 67 Board of Education, Lake Forest, Illinois approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Crossing Guard Services .

Votes were taken by roll call. Votes were cast as follows:

Aye: Adamo, Remus, Fitzgerald

Absent: Lavin

Nay: Engelberg, Yuan

Board members Ms. Engelberg and Ms. Yaun asked the Administration for more information to reconsider the vote. Dr. Hermes gave further details on the action item and another vote was taken.

On a voice vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

Approval of School Resource Officer Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Lake Forest

Motion: Ms. Yaun moved, seconded by Ms. Fitzgerald, that the Lake Forest School District 67 Board of Education, Lake Forest, Illinois approve the School Resource Officer Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Lake Forest

Votes were taken by roll call. Votes were cast as follows:

Aye: Yaun, Remus, Engelberg, Adamo, Fitzgerald

Absent: Lavin

Nay:

The motion was carried unanimously.

Approval of the 2026 - 2027 Tentative Budget

Motion: Ms. Engelberg moved, seconded by Ms. Fitzgerald, that the Lake Forest School District 67 Board of Education, Lake Forest, Illinois Approve the 2026- 2027 Tentative Budget

Votes were taken by roll call. Votes were cast as follows:

Aye: Engelberg, Adamo, Yaun, Fitzgerald, Remus

Absent: Lavin

Nay:

The motion was carried unanimously.

Approval of the Branching Minds Contract for 2026-2029 School Year

Motion: Mr. Remus moved, seconded by Ms. Yaun, that the Lake Forest School District 67 Board of Education, Lake Forest, Illinois approve the Branching Minds Contract for 2026-2029 School Year.

Votes were taken by roll call. Votes were cast as follows:

Aye: Fitzgerald, Remus, Engerlberg, Adamo, Yaun

Absent: Lavin

Nay:

The motion was carried unanimously.

Approval of to Waive the 1st Reading of Updated Policy 7:200: Suspension Procedures

Motion: Mr. Remus moved, seconded by Ms. Yaun, that the Lake Forest School District 67 Board of Education, Lake Forest, Illinois approve to Waive the 1st Reading of Updated Policy 7:200: Suspension Procedures.

Votes were taken by roll call. Votes were cast as follows:

Aye: Fitzgerald, Remus, Engerlberg, Adamo, Yaun

Absent: Lavin

Nay:

The motion was carried unanimously.

Approval of Second Reading of Updated Policy 7:200: Suspension Procedures

Motion: Mr. Remus moved, seconded by Ms. Yaun, that the Lake Forest School District 67 Board of Education, Lake Forest, Illinois approve the Second Reading of Updated Policy 7:200: Suspension Procedures

Votes were taken by roll call. Votes were cast as follows:

Aye: Yaun, Remus, Engelberg, Fitzgerald, Adamo

Absent: Lavin

Nay:

The motion was carried unanimously.

Approval of Settlement for Student Placement Not to Exceed \$75,000

Motion: Ms. Yaun moved, seconded by Ms. Engelberg, that the Lake Forest School District 67 Board of Education, Lake Forest, Illinois approve the Settlement for Student Placement Not to Exceed \$75,000

Votes were taken by roll call. Votes were cast as follows:

Aye: Fitzgerald, Remus, Engelberg, Adamo, Yaun

Absent: Lavin

Nay:

The motion was carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA*

**Any item may be removed from the consent agenda at the request of a Board Member.*

1. Approval of Monthly Financial Report - April 2026
2. Approval of Human Resources Report
 - Hires
 - Resignations
 - Summer School/Extended School Year Assignments
 - Change of Assignments
3. Approval of the 2025 - 2026 Budget Transfers
4. Approval of the CLIC Liability Insurance Cooperative (CLIC) Programs
5. Approval of the Designation of Depositories.
6. Minutes of an Executive Session, May 19, 2026
7. Minutes of a Regular Meeting and Workshop, May 19, 2026

Motion: Mr. Remus moved, seconded by Ms. Yaun, that the Lake Forest School District 67 Board of Education, Lake Forest, Illinois approves the Consent Agenda Items, as presented.

Votes were taken by roll call. Votes were cast as follows:

Aye: Remus, Adamo, Yuan, Engelberg, Fitzgerald

Absent: Lavin

Nay:

FOIA REQUESTS*

Samir Vhidra | 1 of 1 | Completed

Jeff Brincat | 4 of 4 | Completed

Philippe Melin | 6 of 6 | Completed

Jim Karr | 2 of 2 | Completed

Carla Carlos | 2 of 2 | Completed

Mark Chlebowski | 1 of 1 | Completed

**FOIA Requests will not be made available on the website until completed*

Public Participation

None

Announcements

Monday, June 22, 2026

**Board of Education Special Meeting - 8:00 a.m.
Ragdale Foundation, 1260 N Green Bay Rd, Lake
Forest IL 60045**

Tuesday, August 18, 2026

Finance Committee of the Whole - 5:00 p.m

**Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
LFHS West Campus Board Room**

Adjournment

A motion was made by Ms. Engelberg, seconded by Ms. Yaun to adjourn the meeting.

On voice vote motion carried unanimously.

President Adamo declared the meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Greg Adamo, President Date

Lori Fitzgerald, Secretary Date