

**LAKE FOREST SCHOOL DISTRICT 67
BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2026
RAGDALE FOUNDATION
1260 N. GREENBAY RD, LAKE FOREST, IL 60045
8:00 AM**

OPEN SESSION: A Special Meeting of the Lake Forest School District 67 was held on Monday, June 22, 2026, at 1260 N. Greenbay Rd., Lake Forest, IL 60045. President Adamo called the meeting to order at 8:09 a.m.

PRESENT: Greg Adamo, President
Monica Yaun, Vice President
Lori Fitzgerald, Secretary
Megan Engelberg, Member
Mark Remus, Member
Jerry Lavin, Member

CABINET PRESENT: Matthew Montgomery, Superintendent
Renee Fitzsimmons, Assistant Superintendent of T,L,A
Jennifer Hermes, Chief Operating Officer/CSBO
Phil Georgia, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources

CABINET/STAFF PRESENT: Elizabeth Carswell, Board Clerk
Andrew Fenton, Director of Teaching and Learning

GUESTS: Mark Pickett and family

Appointment of New Board Members

In accordance with Board Policy 2:70, the Board has publicized, accepted applications, and interviewed candidates for the open Board Member role. After thoughtful consideration, the Board has unanimously decided to appoint Mark Pickett to fill the open Board Member position. He will serve in the interim until the election in May 2027.

Oath of Office for Newly Appointed Board Member

Newly elected member of the Board of Education, Mark Pickett read the Oath of Office as follows:

*I, **Mark Pickett**, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of member of the Board of Education of The City of Lake Forest School District 67, in accordance with the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and the laws of the State of Illinois, to the best of my ability.*

I further swear (or affirm) that:

I shall respect taxpayer interests by serving as a faithful protector of the school district's assets;

I shall encourage and respect the free expression of opinion by my fellow board members and others who seek a hearing before the Board, while respecting the privacy of students and employees;

I shall recognize that a Board Member has no legal authority as an individual and that decisions can be made only by a majority vote at a public board meeting; and

I shall abide by majority decisions of the Board, while retaining the right to seek changes in such decisions through ethical and constructive channels;

As part of the Board of Education, I shall accept the responsibility for my role in the equitable and quality education of every student in the School District;

I shall foster with the Board extensive participation of the community, formulate goals, define outcomes and set the course for Lake Forest School District 67;

I shall assist in establishing a structure and an environment designed to ensure all students have the opportunity to attain their maximum potential through a sound organizational framework;

I shall strive to ensure a continuous assessment of student achievement and all conditions affecting the education of our children, in compliance with State law;

I shall serve as education's key advocate on behalf of students and our community's schools to advance the vision for Lake Forest School District 67; and

I shall strive to work together with the District Superintendent to lead the School District toward fulfilling the vision the Board has created, fostering excellence for every student in the areas of academic skills, knowledge, citizenship, and personal development.

Committee Member Assignments

In accordance with Board Policy 2:150, the following members will be appointed to these committees.

Finance Committee:

Monica Yaun

Education Committee:

Jerry Lavin

Policy Committee:

Greg Adamo (Chair), Mark Remus, Mark Pickett, Megan Engelberg

TrueNorth Liaison:

Greg Adamo, Mark Remus (Back-Up)

Legislative Liaison:

Mark Remus

Spirit Liaison:

Greg Adamo

APT Liaison:

Monica Yaun

WORKSHOPTeaching and Learning Update

Drs. Fitzsimmons and Fenton presented to the board on Teaching and learning goals, milestones and progress. Dr. Fitzsimmons completed an exercise with board members on the high and low points of Teaching and Learning. The board asked questions and conversation ensued.

D67 Budget

Dr. Hermes presented the tentative budget and district finances. Areas of growth as well as where we will continue to see growth were discussed. A brief update on construction was given. Board members asked questions and conversation ensued between all.

Board Goals

Board members and the administration discussed priorities and goals. Discussion on what needs improvement, what is critical and what areas they feel we are strong in.

Adjournment

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

On Voice Vote, motion carried unanimously.

President Adamo declared the meeting adjourned at 12:27 p.m.

Greg Adamo, President

Date

Lori Fitzgerald, Secretary

Date