

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA
BLOOM TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES OF SCHOOLS
MONDAY, JULY 7, 2025
9:00 AM**

The Bloom Township Trustees of Schools met on Monday, July 7, 2025 at 9:01 a.m.

Present upon roll call were:

Eric Trimberger (SD153)	Fran LaBella (SD161)
Kimberly Elmore-Perkins (SD163)	Bethany Lindsay (SD167)
Leonard Moody (SD168)	Greg Jackson (SD169)
Lawrence Cook (SD233)	

Absent upon roll call were:

Tom Amadio (SD170)	David Shrader (SD171)
Kim Nalls (SD172)	Jose Najar (SD194)
Alicia Evans (SD206)	

Also present was Treasurer David Ricker.

The presence of a quorum was noted and the meeting declared duly convened.

No public comments were made.

The Trustees recognized Kimberly Elmore-Perkins as the newly appointed Trustee representing Park Forest – Chicago Heights School District 163.

Approval of Minutes from April 7, 2025

The minutes for the April 7, 2025, meeting were presented for approval. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Trustee Trimberger and seconded by Trustee Cook.

Upon the roll call, the vote was:

AYE: Trimberger, Cook, LaBella, Elmore-Perkins, Lindsay, Moody, Jackson

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 7-0

Presentation and Acceptance of Paid Bills – BTTS

The bills paid for the period April 1, 2025 through June 30, 2025 for Bloom Township Trustees of Schools were presented for approval. Total payroll expenses for the period were \$226,257.90. Total accounts payable expenses for the period were \$627,413.26.

A motion to approve the paid bills was made by Trustee Jackson and seconded by Trustee Cook.

Upon the roll call, the vote was:

AYE: Jackson, Cook, Trimberger, LaBella, Elmore-Perkins, Lindsay, Moody

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 7-0

Presentation and Acceptance of Paid Bills – Career Prep Network

The bills paid for the period April 1, 2025 through June 30, 2025 for Career Prep Network were presented for approval. Total payroll expenses for the period were \$44,418.39. Total accounts payable expenses for the period were \$233,694.33.

A motion to approve the paid bills was made by Trustee Jackson and seconded by Trustee Trimberger.

Upon the roll call, the vote was:

AYE: Jackson, Trimberger, LaBella, Elmore-Perkins, Lindsay, Moody, Cook

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 7-0

Approval and Cancellation of Various Surety Bonds

The following surety bond activity was considered for approval:

Cancel Robert Grossi as Principal and name David Ricker as Principal for surety bonds for Bloom Township Trustees of Schools, West Aurora SD 129, and East Aurora SD 131.

A motion to approve the paid bills was made by Trustee Cook and seconded by Trustee Jackson.

Upon the roll call, the vote was:

AYE: Cook, Jackson, Trimberger, LaBella, Elmore-Perkins, Lindsay, Moody

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 7-0

Treasurer's Report

Review of Audit for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2024

Treasurer Ricker presented financials for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024. Bloom Township Trustees of Schools had a beginning balance of \$324,462, revenues of \$2,241,708, expenditures of \$1,930,227, and an ending balance of \$635,943. The net position for the fiscal year increased by \$311,481. Total pooled cash across the 20 entities served by the office was \$741,778,820. No material weaknesses or findings resulted from the audit. A motion to approve the audit will be on the October 2025 agenda for action.

Audit Agreement

Treasurer Ricker noted that fiscal year 2025 is the last year to be audited under the current agreement with GW & Associates. The Trustees agreed to discuss this matter further at the October 2025 regular meeting.

Update on Computer Software Conversion

Treasurer Ricker updated the Trustees on the timeline for the member school district converting financial systems from iVisions to Skyward. The Bloom Township Trustees of Schools office went live April 1, 2025, Flossmoor SD161 and West Aurora SD129 went live July 1, 2025, and all remaining districts go live October 1, 2025.

Trustee LaBella gave a brief presentation on how deductions and benefits are setup in Skyward which is different than how they were setup in iVisions. The Trustees discussed setting up a meeting with Skyward and the school districts to collectively work on setting up deductions and benefits correctly in the software.

Update on Treasurer Transition

Treasurer Ricker discussed how the transition has gone so far. He mentioned investments changing from individual investments with brokers to managed funds with the approved brokerage firms. June was the first month for this change and the investments have not been reconciled yet but former Treasurer Rob Grossi has agreed to volunteer time to meet with David Ricker on reconciling investments.

Location of Meetings

Treasurer Ricker asked the Trustees if they prefer to meet at one of the member school districts but the Bloom Township Trustees of Schools office was unanimously said to be the best meeting location.

Old Business

No old business was discussed.

New Business

No new business was discussed.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Trustee Jackson and seconded by Trustee Cook.

Upon the roll call, the vote was:

AYE: Jackson, Cook, Trimberger, LaBella, Elmore-Perkins, Lindsay, Moody,

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 7-0

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.


President


Ex-Officio Clerk