5.11.2026 Regular Board Meeting Summary

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Correspondence: The Board of Education received correspondence from the Office of the Secretary of State announcing that the district received $850 through the School District Library Grant Program. The Board also received the May 2026 District Newsletter and the May 4-8, 2026 Staff Appreciation Week Flyer. All district newsletters may be found on the district's website by clicking on the link - Newsletters | Orangeville CUSD 203. Thank you to the PTO, District and Board of Education for their generosity in providing a wide variety of food all week.

The Board of Education received the Bronco of the Month winners. Congratulations to the following students and staff for earning the May 2026 Bronco of the Month Awards as nominated by the Bronco Staff:
Xander W. (HS) - "Xander is willing to help with anything asked of him at any time. Whether it is helping with tables in the cafeteria, tearing down prom decorations, taking care of recycling when others can't, or fulfilling ALL volunteer hours needed for graduation before the end of 1st semester of his freshman year. All of his efforts to help others do not go unnoticed."
Kinley W (JH) - "Kinley is a very hard-working, polite student. She puts 100% into each class, volunteers regularly, and is not satisfied until she understands the given concepts. Kinley is dependable and kind to her classmates. She is also involved in multiple extracurricular activities while still performing well academically."
Liam M (ES)- "Liam always has a positive attitude and is kind to everyone. Every day he uses his manners and always tries his best."
Joe Pisciotti (staff) - "Mr. Pisciotti has taken on the responsibility of leading students in Yearbook. He helps keep them organized and on track, as well as offers ideas and performs editing duties as needed. He was willing to take on this additional responsibility to help the students and ensure everyone receives a quality yearbook. Mr. Pisciotti also has good classroom management skills, and students in his classes follow his rules. He is able to do this because he has positive relationships with most students in this school."

Special Presentations: Superintendent Katzenberger recognized Garilynne Reed as The Northwest Region Award Recipient for Certified Support Personnel Leadership Award. Mrs. Katenberger's nomination form reads as follows: *"Garilynne Reed is a dedicated and amazing employee in the Orangeville School District. During the school year she works as a library aide for students in preschool through grade 12. Orangeville does not have a librarian; therefore, Garilynne does it all! The library functions tremendously well for all ages with a shared library concept (an elementary side and a Jr/Sr high school side). Garilynne spends hours organizing and hosting two scholastic book fairs each year for the community. One book fair is held in conjunction with the PreK-12 winter music concerts and the other book fair is held with the PTO spring carnival. Outside of her regular routine, Garilynne spent last summer adding Accelerated Reader to the library for the elementary students in addition to her summer school job of painting. Garilynne serves as the district's painter all by herself and paints during winter and summer breaks in order to keep the school looking bright and nice. Garilynnne's third daily duty at school is serving as the cashier for all three lunches (elementary, junior high and high school). In addition, Garilynne serves as a ticket taker for athletic events, outdoor education advisor for the Camp Timber-lee overnight trip for 8th grade students and the junior prom advisor! As you*

can see, not only does Garilynne devote a lot of time to the school district but she also holds a lot of Bronco pride. Thank you, Gairlynne, for all that you do for the Orangeville students, families, staff and community. We appreciate you!"

The Board of Education also heard a presentation from Superintendent Katenberger on the FY 26 Tentative Amended Budget. The district is in sound financial condition and is projected to stay under budget as planned for the year.

Consent Agenda: The Board of Education approved the April 2026 Reports (Activity, YTD Revenue/Expenditure, Financial Report, Imprest Report, 2025-2026 Donations, 2025-2026 Child Nutrition Report), May 2026 Board Bills, and the April 13, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes for Open and Closed sessions.

Informational Notes: The Board of Education received information on three grant applications that have been submitted as follows: FY 26 Tech for Success, FY 26 Small, Rural School Achievement (SRSA) Grant, and the FY 27 Sharing Success Grant for HVAC Calendar Automation through Adkins Energy/CoBank. The 2025-2026 Final Public School Calendar has been approved by ISBE with the last day of student attendance being held on Friday, May 29, 2026 with a 1:15 p.m. student dismissal time. Information from the District Improvement Team meeting held on April 16, 2026 was shared with the Board and the Board of Education received the 2026-2027 PSIC Workers Compensation Full Membership Summary Report.

Business: In old business, the Board approved the 2026-2027 Parent-Student Handbook as a final reading. In addition, the Board approved the following bids for the 2026-2027 school year: milk bid from Prairie Farms, lawn care bid from Pieper Lawn Care, school food and bread from Sysco, and the janitorial supplies bid from Rocket Industrial. The Board also approved the final reading of PRESS Policy, Issue 121.

In new business, the Board approved a local newspaper, *Northwest Illinois Farmer,* for advertisement purposes. The Board also approved the FY 26 Tentative Amended Budget for Public Display, the FY 26 Tentative Amended Budget public hearing which will be held at 5:30 p.m. on June 15, 2026 in the LMC. The Board of Education signed the 2026 diplomas in preparation for the May 16, 2026 graduation ceremony. The Board of Education declared the 2014 Dodge Grand Caravan SE as surplus property and approved the sale of the surplus property through a sealed bid process. The Board of Education approved posting for seasonal (summer) weight room supervision employment and for seasonal (summer) custodial employment. Lastly, the Board approved to support the RISE grant application for Region 8, the Title I Schoolwide plan for the 2026-2027 school year, and the ISBE application for the 2026-2027 Consolidated District Grant Plan.

Discussion: The Board of Education discussed the 2022 Solar Lease Agreement and Solar Power Purchase Agreement along with the Illinois Shines Power Purchase Agreement Disclosure Form, the building permit and the interconnected agreement with Commonwealth Edison.

Personnel:

The Board of Education approved the resignation of William Guy as the Assistant Varsity Football Coach at the end of the 2025-2026 school year and approved the resignation agreement and release of claims with Rose Salinas, former certified employee.

The Board of Education approved hiring Paul Schnindler as the Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year. The BOE approved hiring Joe Pisciotti as the Yearbook Director for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year and the 2026-2027 school year. The Board also approved hiring Dawn Carlson as an elementary teacher (4th grade) for the 2026-2027 school year and Chad Barger as the High School Driver's Education/Health Teacher for the 2026-2027 school year. The Board of Education approved to hire William (Bill) Shepard as the Varsity Head Football Coach for the 2026-2027 school year and approved to rehire the spring athletic coaches for the 2026-2027 school year as follows: Varsity Head Baseball Josh Fahs, Assistant Varsity Baseball Paul Schindler, Varsity Head Softball Lon Scheuerell and Assistant Varsity Softball Hannah Martin.

In other business, the Board of Education approved for bookkeeper Paula Crossno to rollover five unused vacation days to the 2026-2027 school year. The Board also discussed Orangeville High School graduation which is set for Friday, May 15, 2026 in the High School Gymnasium at 7:00 p.m. and the 2026 Joint Annual Convention in Chicago from November 20-22, 2026.

Thank you for your partnership in education.
Congratulations to the 2026 graduating class!
We are proud of you!
Best of Luck to the Senior Class in their future endeavors!

Sincerely, Superintendent Katzenberger