

Regular Board of Education Meeting

December 16, 2025

Thornton Fractional Center for Academics & Technology

1605 Wentworth Ave.

Calumet City, IL 60409

MINUTES



Thornton Fractional
HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 215

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1. Call to Order/Roll call

President Terrazas called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following roll call:

Present: Calderon-Miranda, Myers, Newman, Perkins, Terrazas, Williams **Absent:** Guyton

2. Communication/Informational

A. Public Comments—Joe Stephan—faculty advisor, brought yearbook

B. Freedom of Information Report

DATE	REQUESTOR	REQUEST	DATE RESPONDED
11/20/25	CT Mills Public Info Access LLC	This request seeks records from the most recent school year, including currently active contracts, related to: -Core Curriculum Purchases (Math, English Language Arts, and Science) -Instructional Technology (Nearpod, Edpuzzle, Pear Deck, Newsela, MagicSchool, Quizlet, IXL, etc.) -Assessment Software (Performance Matters, Formative, Pear Assessment, MasteryConnect, Renaissance DNA, Eduphoria, DMAC, LinkIt, etc.) If available, I would prefer to receive the records in electronic format (PDF, Excel, or similar).	12/1/25

C. Future Meetings—January 14, 2026 Committee of the Whole, January 27, 2026 Regular meeting

D. Building Reports—principals gave reports;

E. Interim Superintendent Report;—Mr. Williams shared the audit reports were emailed for members' review. The administrative team is working on processed to have greater safety at South during dismissal and arrival. The handbook process has been refreshing and well received.

1. Excellence Counts—Ms. Galvan, North teacher, presented the first group National Spanish Honor Society members as Excellence Counts for all of their work and dedication—they are unstoppable. Mr. Kawa surprised Ms. Galvan as an awardee for all of her work with the students and bringing the National Spanish Honor Society to level it is at North.

3. Closed Session—not convened

4. Consent

I move to approve the following consent agenda items as presented. This motion, made by Member Myers and seconded by Member Newman, passed.

A. Approve Minutes from the November 25, 2025 Open and Closed Sessions

B. Approve Personnel Report

- 1) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the re-employment of David Klupchak as a Virtual Programming Teacher at T.F. South, effective January 6, 2026, through May 26, 2026.
- 2) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Extended Illness Leave for Michelle Lencioni, English Teacher at T.F. North, effective January 5, 2026 through May 29, 2026.
- 3) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA Leave for John Haney, Music Teacher at T.F. South, effective December 16, 2025, through the last day of the 2025-2026 school term.
- 4) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA Leave for Adam Polensky, Physical Education Teacher at T.F. North, effective January 22, 2026, through the last day of the 2025-2026 school term.
- 5) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA Leave for Tammie Pitts, Special Education Paraprofessional at T.F. South, effective for the 2025-2026 school term.
- 6) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA Leave for Kimberly Praser, English Teacher at T.F. South, effective for the 2025-2026 school term.
- 7) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the reassignment of Oscar Ceja from Lead IT Support Specialist to Network & Security Engineer, effective January 5, 2026.
- 8) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Academic Recovery staff for the Spring 2026 semester:

T.F. North

Administrators (rotation) – Joshua Humphrey, Christin Passarelli, Brian Rucinski, DeVale Stubbs, Mychael Webb
Virtual Learning Facilitators – Aaron Altenburg, Cynthia Krusza, Rindi Ortiz, Kayla Vaughn, Rebecca Watt.

- 9) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following extra-curricular releases, resignations and appointments for 2025-2026:

Releases:

Antonius Finch-Ell, *Football Assistant Coach*, T.F. South

Resignations:

Bobby Mattison, *Brother-to-Brother Sponsor*, T.F. North

Monique Williams, *Contest Play Director*, T.F. North

Appointments:

Robert Cook, *Wrestling Assistant Coach*, T.F. South

Jason Cuevas, *Boys' Track Assistant Coach*, T.F. North

Andrea Hayes, *Badminton Assistant Coach*, T.F. South

James Newell, *Wrestling Volunteer Assistant Coach*, T.F. North.

- 10) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Student Teacher (Music) at T.F. South for the Spring 2026 semester: Joseph Johnson.

- 11) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Volunteers for the 2025-2026 school term: Nathan Davis, Quanesha Phillips.

C. Approve/Accept the following Financial Items

1. Accept November 2025 FYTD Monthly Financial Statements

2. Approve November/December 2025 Payables, \$2,543,159.21

Accounts Payable - List of Bills - November 2025/December 2025

Fund	Amount
10 - Education	1,322,657.10
12 - Special Education	-
20 - Operations and Maintenance	366,415.61
30 - Debt Service	10,455.47
40 - Transportation	374,350.78
60 - Capital Projects	446,809.95
80 - Tort Liability	22,470.30
Total	\$ 2,543,159.21

3. Approve November/December 2025 Activities Bills, \$1,928.67

Student Activities - List of Bills - November 2025/December 2025

Fund	Amount
TF North Activities	831.99
TF South Activities	1,096.68
Admin/TF Center Activities	
Total	\$ 1,928.67

4. Approve November 2025 Payroll, \$3,267,900.92

Payroll Report - November 2025

Fund	Amount
10 - Education	3,069,410.28
20 - Operations and Maintenance	197,258.50
40 - Transportation	1,232.14
Total	\$3,267,900.92

5. Approve Imprest bills, \$5,660.20

Imprest - List of Bills - November 2025/December 2025

Fund	Amount
Education	2,800.00
Special Education	-

Operations and Maintenance	-
Debt Service	-
Transportation	-
Capital Projects	-
Tort Liability	2,860.20
Total	\$ 5,660.20

- D. Approve vendor contract with JEL Audio for \$1,100
- E. Approve reimbursement of IASB Joint Conference expenses (\$35.98) for Board Member Charlotte Guyton
- F. Approve reimbursement of IASB Joint Conference expenses (\$139.54) for Board Member Dominique Newman
- G. Approve reimbursement of IASB Joint Conference expenses (\$102.51) for Board Member Cynthia Perkins
- H. Approve reimbursement of IASB Joint Conference expenses (\$158.96) for Board Member Glenn Williams
- I. Approve overnight Operation Snowball retreat for TF South
- J. Conduct Second Reading/Adoption of PRESS 120 Policies
- K. Conduct semi-annual review of closed session minutes and maintain as confidential

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Calderon-Miranda, Myers, Newman, Perkins, Terrazas, Williams **Nays:** **Absent:** Guyton

5. Action

A. Adopt 2024 Tax Year Levy Resolution

I move to adopt the 2025 Tax Year Levy Resolution as presented. This motion, made by Member Perkins and seconded by Member Myers, passed.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Calderon-Miranda, Myers, Newman, Perkins, Terrazas, Williams **Nays:** **Absent:** Guyton

B. Approve the 2025 Certification of Tax Levy

I move to approve the 2025 Certification of Tax Levy as presented. This motion, made by Member Perkins and seconded by Member Myers, passed.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Calderon-Miranda, Myers, Newman, Perkins, Terrazas, Williams **Nays:** **Absent:** Guyton

C. Approve the 2025 Truth in Taxation Certificate of Compliance

I move to approve the 2025 Truth in Taxation Certificate of Compliance as presented. This motion, made by Member Myers and seconded by Member Perkins, passed.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Calderon-Miranda, Myers, Newman, Perkins, Terrazas, Williams **Nays:** **Absent:** Guyton

D. Adopt Resolution to Allocate 2025 PTELL Reduction

I move to adopt the resolution to allocate PTELL Reduction as presented. This motion, made by Member Williams and seconded by Member Newman, passed.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Calderon-Miranda, Myers, Newman, Perkins, Terrazas, Williams **Nays:** **Absent:** Guyton

E. Adopt resolution to approve Petrarca, Gleason, Boyle & Izzo as legal representative in property tax matters

I move to adopt the resolution to approve Petrarca, Gleason, Boyle & Izzo as legal representative in property tax matters as presented. This motion, made by Member Williams and seconded by Member Perkins, passed.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Calderon-Miranda, Myers, Newman, Perkins, Terrazas, Williams **Nays:** **Absent:** Guyton

- F. Accept insurance renewal of the Suburban School Cooperative Insurance Pool (SSCIP)

I move to accept the renewal from the Suburban School Cooperative Insurance Pool (SSCIP) for premiums and coverages from December 31, 2025 through December 31, 2026, in the total amount of \$463,870. This motion, made by Member Perkins and seconded by Member Myers, passed.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Calderon-Miranda, Myers, Newman, Perkins, Terrazas, Williams **Nays:** **Absent:** Guyton

- G. Accept the TFN roofing project bid

I move to award the TF North Roofing Replacement Project to DCG Roofing Solutions Inc. in the amount of \$1,168,760 as presented. This motion, made by Member Perkins and seconded by Member Myers, passed.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Calderon-Miranda, Myers, Newman, Perkins, Terrazas, Williams **Nays:** **Absent:** Guyton

- H. Accept the TF South rooftop unit replacement project bid

I move to accept the bid of F.E. Moran, Inc. in the amount of \$845,000 for the TF South Rooftop Unit replacement. This motion, made by Member Williams and seconded by Member Perkins, passed.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Calderon-Miranda, Myers, Newman, Perkins, Terrazas, Williams **Nays:** **Absent:** Guyton

6. Adjourn

I move to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. This motion, made by Member Myers and seconded by Member Perkins, passed.

Jacqueline Jengs
President

Michele Myers
Secretary

Bob
Recording Secretary