

Palos Heights School District 128
Minutes of Board of Education Meeting
February 8, 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Palos Heights School District 128 was held on Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at the Dr. Edward T. Rancic Administrative Center, 12809 S. McVicker, Palos Heights, Illinois.

In Board President Deb Yerkes' absence, Vice President Joseph Haberkorn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the pledge to the flag.

Roll Call

Present: Lachowicz, Lynch, Restivo, Weiss, Haberkorn

Absent: Touhy, Yerkes

Visitors

Cathy Leslie, Mary Lynn Duffy, Lynn Adamonis, Kim Anoman, Brigitte Sullivan, Vanessa Palcu, Ann O'Brien, Mary Beth Knoll, Jill Curtin, Rich Facko, Gary MacLeod

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Green gave the Board an update on transportation. A transportation committee meeting was held prior to this Board meeting and will meet again in May. The committee discussed any major issues or concerns that have occurred throughout this year.

Dr. Green reviewed Board policies that need Board approval. Any changes to the PRESS (to which we subscribe) policies are very minor.

Dr. Green requested the Board authorize the superintendent to begin the Tentative Budget for the 2017-2018 school year. This action is suggested by financial advisors as procedure to start working on the FY18 budget.

Dr. Green reviewed the final agreement for the Withdrawal from the Eisenhower Coop. The District will bring in-district the services formerly used through the Coop. This action will save money, as the District has not been utilizing the Coop services very much. Aside from the annual membership fee, any service that was used through the Coop required additional payment.

Dr. Green presented the 2017-2018 school calendar for Board review and approval.

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

It was moved by Dr. Lynch and seconded by Mr. Haberkorn that the Board approves the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on January 11, 2017; the February, 2017 bills payable and gross January, 2017 payroll, TRS and IMRF Fund in the amount of \$636,048.39 (copy of same to be appended to and become a part of the minutes of this meeting); reviews and approves the activity accounts of the District's schools; authorizes the superintendent to begin the tentative budget for the 2017-2018 school

year; approves the Withdrawal from the Eisenhower Coop final agreement; approves the 2017-2018 school calendar; approves the recommendation for tenure for Vivian Smuksta, Lauren Weaver, Brigitte Sullivan, Kristen Szydelko, and Brian Everson; approves the non-renewal of (Leslie Scavo).

Roll Call:

Ayes: Lynch, Haberkorn, Weiss, Restivo, Lachowicz

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

New Business

Mrs. Lachowicz announced the South Cook IASB Division Breakfast meeting will be held on Saturday, February 25 in Glenwood. Also, a Candidate Forum to be held at Independence Jr. High School on March 14, sponsored by the District PFA for candidates for Board member positions and Palos Heights Ward 1 Alderman. Dr. Green stated there will be an IASB South Cook Division Meeting regarding Budgetary and Funding Impacts in Illinois/Briefing for Candidates to be held on March 9 in Glenwood.

Old Business

None.

Audience Participation

None.

Closed Session

it was moved by Mrs. Lachowicz and seconded by Dr. Lynch that the Board enters into Closed Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee; collective negotiating matters or deliberations concerning salary schedules for classes of employees; student disciplinary issues.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Haberkorn, Lachowicz, Lynch, Weiss, Restivo

Nays: None

Motion carried.

The Board entered into Closed Session at 7:38 p.m.

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 8:45 p.m.

Motion to approve and open the closed session minutes of January 11, 2017 was made by Dr. Lynch, seconded by Mrs. Lachowicz and approved by unanimous consent.

Mrs. Lachowicz made a motion to approve the salary increases as presented to the Board for the administrative assistants, administrators, custodians, paraprofessionals and other presented personnel. Mr. Haberkorn seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Lynch, Haberkorn, Weiss, Restivo, Lachowicz

Nays: None
Motion carried.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Weiss and seconded by Dr. Lynch to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by unanimous consent. The Board Vice President, Mr. Haberkorn, declared the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Vice President

Secretary