

**Palos Heights School District 128
Minutes of Board of Education Meeting
May 14, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Palos Heights School District 128 was held on Wednesday, May 14, 2014 at the Dr. Edward T. Rancic Administrative Center, 12809 S. McVicker, Palos Heights, Illinois.

Mrs. Yerkes called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the pledge to the flag.

Roll Call:

Present: Yerkes, Bylut, Lynch, Lahart, Joseph Haberkorn

Absent: Josh Haberkorn, Lachowicz

Visitors

Paul McDermott, Cathy Leslie, Sharon Herman, Lynn Adamonis, Walt Kunkel, Jessica Ryan, Marilyn Castellana, Christi Sinclair, Lisa Sinovich, Kim Kurtz, Elizabeth Holman, Stacey Darwent, Josh Darwent, Eva Weiss, Mayor Robert Straz, Dan Nisivic, Lisa Freimuth, Kendall Bruton, Susan Kroese

Audience Participation

None.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Casey asked Sharon Herman to introduce the new staff members at Navajo. Elizabeth Holman will teach 4th grade, Stacey Darwent will teach 5th grade, and Eva Weiss who will also be teaching 5th grade.

Dr. Casey recognized students who placed in the American Association of University Women Writing Contest. Mrs. Kurtz spoke about the students and the contest. Also recognized was the Regional and State First Place winner of the Econ Illinois Economic Poster Project, Leah Bylut. Mrs. Yerkes awarded certificates to the all of the students on behalf of the Board and congratulated them on their successes.

Dr. Casey introduced Mayor Bob Straz and City Administrator Dan Nisavic from the City of Palos Heights. A proposal has been submitted to the District requesting the acquisition of approximately one acre of District property. The property is located behind the current Recreation Center to be used for its expansion and renovation. Dr. Casey entertained questions or comments from the Board. The issue will be discussed in Closed Session with action anticipated when the Board returns to Open Session.

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

It was moved by Mr. Joseph Haberkorn and seconded by Dr. Lynch that the Board approves the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on April 9, 2014, as presented; the May, 2014 bills payable and gross April, 2014 payroll, TRS and IMRF Fund in the

amount of \$634,491.23 (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; approves the Resolution for Prevailing Wage; approves the FMLA request for Jennifer Ostrowski-Dudek; approves the Board Policy Manual revised by the IASB; approves the recommendation for employment of Lynn Adamonis as assistant principal for Navajo School; and approves the recycling of technology equipment.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Lynch, Lahart, Yerkes, Joseph Haberkorn, Bylut

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

New Business

Dr. McDermott reported on the 2010 Senior Class Reunion held at Independence Jr. High on April 24. Two thirds of the 2010 class of former students attended the reunion. This annual event is anticipated and enjoyed by returning seniors who attended Independence.

Old Business

None.

Audience Participation

None.

Closed Session

It was moved by Dr. Lynch and seconded by Mr. Joseph Haberkorn that the Board enters into Closed Session to discuss the appointment, employment or dismissal of personnel, and the purchase or lease of real property.

Roll Call

Ayes: Joseph Haberkorn, Bylut, Lynch, Lahart, Yerkes

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

The Board entered into Closed Session at 7:26 p.m.

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 8:20 p.m.

A motion was made by Mrs. Yerkes to approve the proposal from the Palos Heights Recreation Department to acquire the District's land as they requested for the expansion and renovation of the Recreation Center. The motion was seconded by Mr. Joseph Haberkorn.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Yerkes, Lahart, Bylut, Joseph Haberkorn, Lynch

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, it was moved by Mr. Joseph Haberkorn and seconded by Mrs. Yerkes to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by unanimous consent. The Board President, Mrs. Yerkes, declared the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

President

Secretary