

**Palos Heights School District 128
Minutes of Board of Education Meeting
June 10, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Palos Heights School District 128 was held on Wednesday, June 10, 2015 at the Dr. Edward T. Rancic Administrative Center, 12809 S. McVicker, Palos Heights, Illinois.

In President Deb Yerkes' absence, Vice President Joseph Haberkorn called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Lachowicz, Josh Haberkorn, Joseph Haberkorn

Absent: Bylut, Yerkes, Lynch, Touhy

Visitors

Sharon Herman, Mary Lynn Duffy, Cathy Leslie, Dr. Dawn Green, Gayle Greenwald, Anna Beyer, Therese Lahart, Mike Leonard, City of Palos Heights, the Drew Richards family, the Cinkus family, Kristin Restivo, Tracy Klopp, Laura Klopp, Rob and Dylan Prohaska, Deborah and Gia Swanson, Jennifer and Anthony Beese, and various other parents and students.

Audience Participation

Therese Lahart addressed the Board and Dr. Casey, acknowledging with gratitude Dr. Casey's years of dedication and exemplary service to the District.

Superintendent's Report

Principal Cathy Leslie introduced Anna Beyer, new District Social Worker, who will replace the retiring Mary Ann White.

Dr. Lynch and Mrs. Touhy arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Dr. Casey asked Gayle Greenwald to speak about the accomplishments of the 2015 Math Bowl Team. The Board recognized the student participants with award certificates distributed by Mr. Haberkorn.

Dr. Casey introduced Mike Leonard from the City of Palos Heights who presented drawings of the plans for the new Palos Heights Recreation Center and the OSLAD Grant the City is hoping to receive with the District's approval.

Dr. Casey introduced Sharon Herman to present an update on student and professional learning.

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

It was moved by Mrs. Lachowicz and seconded by Dr. Lynch that the Board approves

the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on May 13, 2015, as presented; the June, 2015 bills payable and gross May, 2015 payroll, TRS and IMRF Fund in the amount of \$591,516.70 (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 employment of Norine Walrath as a special education teacher at Chippewa replacing a non-renewal and Melissa Farver as a special education teacher to replace a non-renewal at Navajo School; approves the 2015-2016 Board Meeting dates; approves the destruction of verbatim recordings of Closed Session minutes of July 10, 2013, August 7, 2013, September 11, 2013, October 9, 2013, and December 11, 2013; approves the sale of District equipment; and approves the resignation of Diane Ryan, paraprofessional at Indian Hill.

Mrs. Lachowicz requested Item G – Approval of Sale of District Equipment be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Roll Call for remaining Consent Agenda items:

Ayes: Touhy, Lachowicz, Joseph Haberkorn, Josh Haberkorn, Lynch

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Mrs. Lachowicz questioned the sale of District equipment. Dr. Casey explained she requested to purchase her laptop upon her retirement from the District.

It was moved by Dr. Lynch and seconded by Mrs. Lachowicz to approve the sale of District equipment (laptop) to Dr. Casey.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Lynch, Josh Haberkorn, Joseph Haberkorn, Lachowicz, Touhy

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

New Business

Dr. Casey informed Board members of the Joint Annual Conference to be held November 20-22, 2015.

Old Business

None

Audience Participation

Jennifer and Anthony Beese addressed the Board and Dr. Casey to congratulate Dr. Casey on her retirement. They shared a video taken of Anthony and Dr. Casey when Anthony was a student at Independence Jr. High.

Vice President Haberkorn praised Dr. Casey for her leadership, dedication and loyalty to District 128; and he presented her with a retirement gift on behalf of the Board. Dr.

Casey thanked the Board, staff and students for the honor of being Superintendent of Schools since 2007.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, it was moved by Mr. Joseph Haberkorn and seconded by Mrs. Touhy to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by unanimous consent. The Board Vice President, Mr. Haberkorn declared the meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Vice President

Secretary