

Palos Heights School District 128
Minutes of Board of Education Meeting
August 9, 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Palos Heights School District 128 was held on Wednesday, August 9, 2017 at the Dr. Edward T. Rancic Administrative Center, 12809 S. McVicker, Palos Heights, Illinois.

Dr. Lynch called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and led the pledge to the flag.

Roll Call

Present: Lynch, Touhy, Lyons, Facko, Restivo, Grady

Absent: Lachowicz

Visitors

Kevin Kirk, Mary Lynn Duffy, Lynn Adamonis, Cathy Leslie, Kim Anoman, Sally Gaw, Christine O'Grady, Mike O'Grady, Rich & Lexie Facko, Kelly Sistos, Jill Curtin

In Board Secretary Kathy Lachowicz's absence, Dr. Lynch appointed Mrs. Lyons as Board Secretary Pro Tem.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Green and principals introduced new staff members: Cathy Leslie introduced Christine O'Grady, District Social Worker. Lynn Adamonis introduced Kelly Sistos, Special Ed teacher at Navajo. Kevin Kirk introduced new Independence staff members: Alex Fuchs, 6-8 grade math teacher (who was present), Lauren Bunnell, 8th grade math teacher, and Steven Schaaf, paraprofessional. Also, Mary Lynn Duffy announced new staff: William Leffler, PE teacher at Chippewa, and Allison Miller will teach music for PreK-5th grade.

Dr. Green and Kim Anoman reviewed the tentative FY18 budget with Board members. Kim also reviewed the summer projects payments thus far.

Dr. Green discussed the projected staffing pattern for the 2017-2018 school year and reviewed enrollment figures at the present time. The Board also discussed the registration process.

Dr. Green updated the Board on transportation. Illinois School Bus has our lists of students, and they will be creating the routes within the next few days. Parents will be notified by either US mail or e mail as to their student's bus stop and pick-up time.

Dr. Green gave the Board a curriculum update, and she reviewed the topics for the beginning teacher institute days.

Dr. Green asked Kevin Kirk to give the Board some details on joining the Illinois Elementary School Association (IESA). The membership cost is \$75 annually, and the membership allows the Independence students to participate in speech competitions.

The South Suburban Junior High Conference, to which the District belongs, will no longer be offering speech competitions. The recommendation is that the Board approves the membership.

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

It was moved by Dr. Lynch and seconded by Mr. Grady that the Board approves the minutes of the regular meeting held on July 12, 2017 as presented; approves the August, 2017 bills payable and gross July, 2017 payroll, TRS and IMRF Fund in the amount of \$778,920.72 as presented (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 placing of the FY18 Tentative Budget on display; sets September 20, 2017 at 7:10 p.m. as the date and time for the Budget Hearing; accepts the resignation of Betsy Noort, teacher at Indian Hill, and retirement of Donna Pfeifer, OT Assistant; approves hiring Caitlin Shaw, 2nd grade teacher, Maribeth O’Connor, OT/PT, Blanca Gomez, parapro at Navajo, and Pat Hallberg, long term sub for Marissa Holloway in PreK; and approves joining the Illinois Elementary School Association.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Facko, Lyons, Grady, Touhy, Lynch, Restivo
Nays: None
Motion carried.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Audience Participation

None

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, it was moved by Dr. Lynch and seconded by Mr. Grady to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

The Board President, Dr. Lynch, declared the meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

President

Secretary