

**Palos Heights School District 128
Minutes of Board of Education Meeting
August 12, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Palos Heights School District 128 was held on Wednesday, August 12, 2015 at the Dr. Edward T. Rancic Administrative Center, 12809 S. McVicker, Palos Heights, Illinois.

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

Roll Call

Present: Touhy, , Lachowicz, Lynch, Bylut, Yerkes, Joseph Haberkorn

Absent: Josh Haberkorn

Visitors

Sharon Herman, Cathy Leslie, Kevin Kirk, Mary Lynn Duffy, Lynn Adamonis, Gayle Greenwald, Betsy Holman, Nicole Rodrick, Melissa Farver, Norine Walrath, Pam Reilly, Kristin Restivo, Mary Beth Knoll

Audience Participation

None.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Green asked the principals to introduce their new staff members: Nicole Rodrick, 1st grade teacher at Chippewa, Norine Walrath, Special Ed teacher at Chippewa, and Melissa Farver, Special Ed teacher at Navajo.

Dr. Green introduced Pam Reilly, the District's new Teacher Leader. Mrs. Reilly gave a presentation to the Board about her work and her plans over the next two years.

Dr. Green reviewed the tentative FY16 budget with Board members. The Board discussed the budget. Board members also discussed transportation costs and ways to balance District transportation costs versus revenues. Dr. Green will organize a committee to review the transportation routes, costs and budget line.

Dr. Green discussed the projected staffing pattern for the 2015-2016 school year and reviewed enrollment figures to the present time.

Dr. Green briefly reviewed the Crestwood annexation issue.

Dr. Green explained the needs for the PLC and instructional coaches and how they will work into the curriculum.

Dr. Green informed the Board of the need for a salary committee to look at the salary schedule for teachers before negotiations begin. The committee would consist of the

two union representatives, and possibly Dr. Green and Kim Anoman, Business Manager.

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 meeting held on July 8, 2015 as presented; approves the August, 2015 bills payable and gross July, 2015 payroll, TRS and IMRF Fund in the amount of \$411,730.45 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 FY16 Tentative Budget on display; sets September 16, 2015 at 7:10 p.m. as the date and time for the Budget Hearing; approves discarding old textbooks; accepts the resignations of Stacey Lauer, Chippewa teacher, Barb Wolterink, Chippewa paraprofessional, and Natalie Thompson, Independence paraprofessional; and approves hiring Pam Reilly as Teacher Leader, hiring Gina Livers, as 2nd grade teacher at Chippewa; approves adding Lincoln Financial as an additional 403B provider; and approves the FMLA leave for Megan Klucharik, 1st grade teacher at Chippewa.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Lynch, Haberkorn, Yerkes, Bylut, Lachowicz, Touhy

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Old Business

None

New Business

Mrs. Yerkes announced the resignation of Board member Josh Haberkorn effective August 3. Mr. Haberkorn has taken an employment position outside of the district and will no longer be living within the district boundaries. Mrs. Yerkes praised his work on the Board and wished him well in his endeavors. Mrs. Yerkes stated the process of appointing a replacement has begun, and anyone in the district interested in becoming a Board member should send a letter of interest to Mrs. Yerkes' attention at the District Office. The position will be filled for the remainder of Mr. Haberkorn's term. The deadline by law for seating a new Board member is 45 days after the August 3 resignation, which is September 17. The September Board meeting is scheduled for September 16, so the new Board member will be chosen by the remaining six Board members and seated by that date.

Mr. Joseph Haberkorn and the other Board members agreed that Dr. Green will send a recorded voice mail message and posting on the website notifying parents that there may be a change in transportation this school year.

Mrs. Lachowicz announced that September 22 is National Voter Registration Day.

Audience Participation

None

Closed Session

None

Adjournment

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

The Board President, Mrs. Yerkes, declared the meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

President

Secretary