

**Palos Heights School District 128  
Minutes of Board of Education Meeting  
October 8, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Palos Heights School District 128 was held on Wednesday, October 8, 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: Lahart, Lachowicz, Bylut, Josh Haberkorn, Yerkes, Joseph Haberkorn

Absent: Lynch

**Visitors**

Sharon Herman, Cathy Leslie, Kevin Kirk, Lynn Adamonis, Ryan Mahoney, Andrew Janotta, Christi Sinclair, Lisa Sinovich, Amanda Graunder, Lisa Freimuth, Vanessa Palcu, Kristin Restivo

**Audience Participation**

None

**Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Casey introduced Kevin Kirk who recognized Ryan Mahoney and Andrew Janotta "for their contribution to the school culture at Independence".

Dr. Casey introduced Sharon Herman to update the Board on curriculum.

Dr. Casey reviewed the progress of the Strategic Plan with a presentation to the Board.

Dr. Casey discussed Senate Bill 16 and other legislative issues that will affect our district.

Dr. Lynch arrived at 7:20 p.m.

**Approval of Consent Agenda Items**

It was moved by Dr. Lynch and seconded by Mrs. Lachowicz that the Board approves the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 17, 2014, as presented; approves the October, 2014 bills payable and gross September, 2014 payroll, TRS and IMRF Fund in the amount of \$562,146.79 (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 Hazardous Bus Routes; approves the District's Audit conducted by McGladrey LLP; approves the FMLA request for Mary Ellen (McAndrews) White; and approves the intergovernmental agreement with SCOPE, the South Cook Organization for Public Education.

Mr. Joseph Haberkorn requested Item D – Resolution for Hazardous Bus Routes be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Roll Call for remaining Consent Agenda items:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Mr. Haberkorn questioned the need for the hazardous routes designation by which the District must provide busing for very little State reimbursement. The Board discussed the issue. After some discussion, Dr. Lynch made a motion to approve the Resolution for Hazardous Bus Routes, seconded by Mrs. Bylut.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

### **New Business**

Each year, a Board member is selected by appointment or volunteering to represent our District in SCOPE. Board member Kathy Lachowicz volunteered to be District 128's SCOPE representative.

### **Audience Participation**

Kristin Restivo addressed the Board with questions regarding the search for a new District superintendent.

### **Adjournment**

With no further business to discuss, it was moved by Mr. Joseph Haberkorn and seconded by Dr. Lynch to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by unanimous consent. The Board President, Mrs. Yerkes, declared the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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President

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Secretary