

**Palos Heights School District 128
Minutes of Board of Education Meeting
October 12, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Palos Heights School District 128 was held on Wednesday, October 12, 2016 at the Dr. Edward T. Rancic Administrative Center, 12809 S. McVicker, Palos Heights, Illinois.

Mrs. Yerkes called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and led the pledge to the flag.

Roll Call

Present: Yerkes, Lachowicz, Touhy, Weiss, Lynch

Absent: Haberkorn

Visitors

Cathy Leslie, Lynn Adamonis, Mary Lynn Duffy, Kim Anoman, Mandy Pittman from McGladrey LLP Auditors, Terry Moeller from Wight and Company Architects, Kristin Restivo, Beth Strooboscher, Vanessa Palcu, Cassie Facko, Rich Facko

Superintendent's Report

The students from the Girls' Volleyball Team did not attend the Board meeting. Their recognition will take place at the November Board Meeting.

Dr. Green introduced Mandy Pittman from McGladrey LLP, the District's audit firm, to review the audit for Board members.

Dr. Green reminded the audience about the Board seat that is now available. The Board will be appointing someone to fill Jennifer Bylut's position until the April 4, 2017 election. Dr. Green stated information is available in the District Office regarding the April election procedures for Board candidates.

Dr. Green updated the Board on transportation and the bus situation.

Mr. Haberkorn arrived at 7:12 p.m.

Dr. Green discussed the District Levy. More levy information will be presented at the November Board meeting for approval of the levy in December.

Dr. Green introduced Terry Moeller from Wight and Company Architects. Mr. Moeller reviewed the list of improvements needed from the life safety audit and plans for part of the proceeds of the bond money.

Dr. Green announced October is National Principals Month. October 16-22 is proclaimed by Governor Bruce Rauner as Principals' Week, and Friday, October 22 is Principals' Day in Illinois. A Board resolution was prepared, and Dr. Green and the Board members thanked the principals for all they do for the district and the students.

Dr. Green talked about the change of date of the November Board meeting from November 9 to November 2, the first week in November. Board approval was requested in the Consent Agenda.

Dr. Green discussed amendment of the 2016-2017 School Calendar. Due to April 4, 2017 being a consolidated election day, and both Chippewa and Navajo are polling places, it was decided to move the May 5 Teacher Institute to April 4. Upon Board approval, Dr. Green will send the change to parents.

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

It was moved by Mr. Haberkorn and seconded by Dr. Lynch that the Board approves the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 14, 2016, as presented; approves the October, 2016 bills payable and gross September, 2016 payroll, TRS and IMRF Fund in the amount of \$705,003.86 (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 District's Audit conducted by McGladrey LLP; approves the resignation of Ed Naughton, Independence Jr. High custodian; approves the date change of the November Board meeting to November 2, 2016; and approves the amended 2016-017 School Calendar.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

New Business

None.

Old Business

None.

Audience Participation

None.

Closed Session

It was moved by Mr. Haberkorn and seconded by Dr. Lynch that the Board enters into Closed Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee; collective negotiation matters or deliberations concerning salary schedules for classes of employees; and student discipline.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

The Board entered into Closed Session at 7:55 p.m.

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 8:50 p.m.

It was moved by Mrs. Lachowicz and seconded by Mrs. Touhy to approve and open the September 14th minutes from the Closed Session meeting. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

The Board discussed the proposal from architects Wight and Company for our schools and costs related to projects.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, it was moved by Mrs. Yerkes and seconded by Mrs. Weiss to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by unanimous consent. The Board President, Mrs. Yerkes, declared the meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

President

Secretary