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**BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT #79 COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

April 13, 2016

On Wednesday, April 13, 2016 the Board of Education Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Mr. Michael Malusa, President of the Board of Education. Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

A roll call showed the following:

PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Michael Malusa	None
Mr. Mark Neri	
Mr. Mark Diatte	
Mrs. Patrizia Alaimo	
Mr. Phillip LaPalermo	
Mrs. Lisa Nixon	
Mrs. Sheila Wachholder	

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

- None

3. PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

- None

4. ACTION ITEMS

A. Consent Agenda Items

- CA-1 Approval of Open & Closed Minutes of March 9, 2016, Open & Closed Minutes of the Special Meeting on April 4, 2016
- CA-2 Approval of Bills

A motion was made by Mrs. Patrizia Alaimo and seconded by Mr. Phillip LaPalermo to approve the Consent Agenda items.

A roll call vote showed the following:

PRESENT	ABSENT	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mr. Michael Malusa		X		
Mr. Mark Neri		X		
Mr. Mark Diatte		X		
Mrs. Patrizia Alaimo		X		
Mr. Phillip LaPalermo		X		
Mrs. Lisa Nixon		X		
Mrs. Sheila Wachholder		X		

The motion was approved.

B. A motion was made by Mr. Mark Diatte and seconded by Mr. Mark Neri authorizing the Superintendent to pay bills through April 30, 2016. There was no discussion.

A roll call vote showed the following:

PRESENT	ABSENT	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mr. Michael Malusa		X		
Mr. Mark Neri		X		
Mr. Mark Diatte		X		
Mrs. Patrizia Alaimo		X		
Mr. Phillip LaPalermo		X		
Mrs. Lisa Nixon		X		
Mrs. Sheila Wachholder		X		

The motion was approved.

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C. A motion was made by Mrs. Patrizia Alaimo and seconded by Mrs. Lisa Nixon to approve the 2016-2017 salaries for support staff. There was discussion.

A roll call vote showed the following:

PRESENT	ABSENT	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mr. Michael Malusa		X		
Mr. Mark Neri		X		
Mr. Mark Diate		X		
Mrs. Patrizia Alaimo		X		
Mr. Phillip LaPalermo		X		
Mrs. Lisa Nixon		X		
Mrs. Sheila Wachholder		X		

The motion was approved.

D. The Superintendent presented the first reading of the following policies:

- Policy 7:190 Students: Student Behavior (Formerly Student Discipline)
- Policy 7:200 Students: Suspension Procedures
- Policy 7:210 Students: Expulsion Procedures
- Policy 7:220 Students: Bus Conduct
- Policy 7:230 Students: Misconduct by Students with Disabilities
- Policy 7:240 Students: Conduct Code for Participants in Extracurricular Activities

The second reading will be at the May 11th Board meeting.

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. None

6. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT-

- Good News- Pennoyer is off of the Financial Warning List. Pennoyer went from a 2.45 (Warning List) to 3.35 (Review List). Pennoyer exceeded the initial projection of 3.06. The goal is to be on the Recognition List which requires a 3.5. Pennoyer is moving in the right direction.
- Bad News- An audit of the 2013 Title Grants resulted in Pennoyer receiving less grant money for the 2016-2017 school year.
- School Budget- Periodic budget meetings with the bookkeeper continue. Pennoyer potentially has a student that may be going to an out placement school, which will increase SPED tuition.
- State Education Budget- At a legislative meeting last week, the speaker advised everyone to look at their GSA funds and to devise a plan in the event that the state does not pass a budget for public education. Two scenarios have been discussed. They will be presented with the preliminary budget at the June meeting.
- There is a new floor in the women's faculty bathroom. The existing tiles were coming loose

7. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT-

- PARCC Testing- Grades 3-5 are finishing this week.
- PARCC Testing- Grades 6-8 will begin next week.
- There was a meeting last week for principals from the Leyden Athletic Conference regarding concussion protocols for next year.
- The Wax Museum for 3rd grade will be on April 28th.
- Family Pizza Lunch is April 29th.
- Students are cleaning up the campus and grounds to celebrate Earth Day.

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7. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT continued-

- May 12th is the music program. The 5-7th grade students will be performing a revue of 70's, 80's and 90's music.
- Kindergarten registration began yesterday. Approximately 22 students registered. A survey was given to parents to fill out regarding the strengths and weaknesses of their child.
- March Madness was very successful.

8. DISCUSSION

- None

9. CLOSED SESSION

At 7:21pm a motion was made by Mr. Mark Diatte and seconded by Mr. Phillip LaPalermo to go into Closed Session to discuss:

- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1)

The motion was unanimously approved by a Voice Vote.

Returned to Open Session at 7:34pm.

- **DISCUSSION-** Schedule of superintendent interviews.

10. ADJOURNMENT

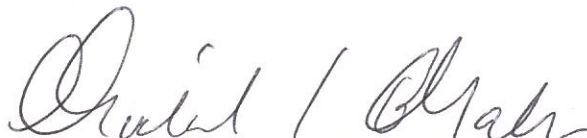
A motion was made by Mrs. Lisa Nixon and seconded by Mr. Mark Diatte to adjourn.

A roll call vote showed the following:

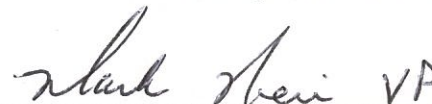
PRESENT	ABSENT	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mr. Michael Malusa		X		
Mr. Mark Neri		X		
Mr. Mark Diatte		X		
Mrs. Patrizia Alaimo		X		
Mr. Phillip LaPalermo		X		
Mrs. Lisa Nixon		X		
Mrs. Sheila Wachholder		X		

The motion was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41pm.



President, Mr. Michael Malusa



Secretary, Mr. Mark Diatte

