

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT #79 COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
December 14, 2016- Gym**

**PUBLIC HEARING
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FINAL AGGREGATE TAX LEVY FOR 2016**

Mr. Michael Malusa, President of the Board of Education called the Public Hearing for the Final Aggregate Tax Levy to order at 7:01pm. There was no discussion. There were no questions or comments from the public.

Since there were no other questions or comments, Mr. Michael Malusa called to close the Public Hearing for the Final Aggregate Tax Levy at 7:02pm. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

On Wednesday, December 14, 2016 the Board of Education Meeting was called to order at 7:03pm 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	Mrs. Patrizia Alaimo
Mr. Michael Beckman	
Mr. Mark Diatte	
Mr. Phillip LaPalermo	
Mrs. Lisa Nixon	
Mrs. Sheila Wachholder	

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

- No Public Comment

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

A. Consent Agenda Items

- CA-1 Approval of Open and Closed Minutes from November 9, 2016
- CA-2 Authorization for the Superintendent to pay bills through November 30, 2016 in the amount of \$124,046.89
- CA-3 Personnel Report

A motion was made by Mr. Mark Diatte and seconded by Mrs. Lisa Nixon to approve the Consent Agenda items. There was no discussion.

A roll call vote showed the following:

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

The motion was approved.

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5. PENNOYER PRIDE

- A. Recognition of Pennoyer Girls Volleyball- Dr. Kristin Kopta introduced Mr. Madueno, coach of the Girls Volleyball Team. He introduced the some of the team members and congratulated the girl's on their winning season. Dr. Kristin Kopta and Mrs. Gina Sierra presented them with a gift.
- B. Pennoyer Chorus- Dr. Kristin Kopta introduced Mrs. Lisa Petergal, chorus director, and the girl's chorus. The girl's chorus performed a few songs that will be performed at the Winter Concert tomorrow evening.

Dr. Kristin Kopta thanked the teachers, coaches and students for all of their hard work.

There was a brief intermission at 7:08pm for the parents and students to enjoy cookies and hot chocolate and to exit the meeting if they so choose.

Return to the Board meeting at 7:20pm

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. District Enrollment Report- enrollment numbers are up due to the blended preschool program.
- B. IDEA Grant-The rules have changed and this may cause an amendment to our budget in June.
- C. Board Policy First Readings:
 - 1. Policy 4:45 Operational Services-Insufficient Fund Checks & Debt Recovery
 - 2. Policy 4:55 Operational Services- Use of Credit & Procurement Cards
 - 3. Policy 4:160 Operational Services-Environmental Quality of Buildings & Grounds
 - 4. Policy 4:175 Operational Services-Convicted Child Sex Offender; Screening & Notifications
 - 5. Policy 4:180 Operational Services-Pandemic Preparedness
 - 6. Policy 2:125 School Board Exhibit- Resolution to Regulate Expense Reimbursements
- D. Transportation Bid Update- The bid is now complete. It will be out for bid after winter break. Bus vendors will come to Pennoyer to discuss our needs. The state will reimburse Pennoyer for students east of Cumberland starting next school year due to Hazardous Busing designation.
- E. 2016 Freshman Placement Data-Dr. Kristin Kopta gave information on the 2016 freshman math data. The scores are on par with most 8th grade students going into high school. Three years of data indicate that the majority of the students are placing in to Algebra 1.
- F. FOIA Report-Three FOIA requests were received. Pennoyer is in compliance with their requests.
- G. Norridge 80 Superintendent Task Force Invite- Dr. O'Malley, the superintendent from Norridge District 80, invited SD 79 board members to participate in his task force.

7. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Mrs. Gina Sierra reported on:
 - Veteran's Day Assembly
 - Parent/ Teacher Conferences
 - New Custodian
 - Band Concert
 - Winter Concert

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8. ACTION ITEMS

A. A motion was made by Mr. Phillip LaPalermo and seconded by Mrs. Lisa Nixon to approve the Final Tax Levy 2016. There was no discussion.

A roll call vote showed the following:

PRESENT	ABSENT	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Mr. Michael Malusa		X		
Mr. Mark Diatte		X		
Mrs. Patrizia Alaimo	ABSENT			
Mr. Michael Beckman		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. Phillip LaPalermo to approve the policies listed below. There was no discussion.

1. Policy 3:40 General School Administration: Superintendent
2. Policy 3:50 General School Administration: Administrative Personnel Other Than the Superintendent
3. Policy 3:60 General School Administration: Administrative Responsibility of the Building Principal
4. Policy 4:20 Operational Services: Fund Balances
5. Policy 4:30 Operational Services: Revenue & Investments
6. Policy 4:50 Operational Services: Payment Procedures
7. Policy 4:60 Operational Services: Purchases & Contracts
8. Policy 4:80 Operational Services: Accounting & Audits
9. Policy 4:120 Operational Services: Food Services

A roll call vote showed the following:

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

The motion was approved.

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8. ACTION ITEMS continued

C. A motion was made by Mrs. Sheila Wachholder and seconded by Mr. Michael Beckman to approve the Regular Board Meetings Calendar for 2017-2018. There was no discussion.

A roll call vote showed the following:

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

The motion was approved.

D. A motion was made by Mrs. Sheila Wachholder and seconded by Mrs. Lisa Nixon to approve the BoardBooks contract. There was no discussion.

A roll call vote showed the following:

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

The motion was approved.

9. DISCUSSION

A. Architect Interviews- Dr. Kristin Kopta discussed interviewing architects firms. A special board meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 24th to interview potential architectural firms.

B. Committee Appointments

1. Negotiation Committee- Teacher Negotiations. Mr. Michael Malusa and Mrs. Sheila Wachholder will be on the committee. Mrs. Lisa Nixon will be an observer.
2. Discipline Committee- Mrs. Sheila Wachholder and Mr. Phillip LaPalermo will be on the committee.
3. Buildings and Grounds Committee- Mr. Michael Malusa and Mr. Phillip LaPalermo will be on the committee.
4. New Board Member Mentor- Mr. Michael Malusa will be Mr. Michael Beckman's mentor.

C. Snow Removal- There was discussion about the possibility of the district purchasing a truck that can plow snow verses continued use of a snow removal company. Dr. Kristin Kopta will reach out to the Village of Norridge Public Works as a possibility as well. She will do a cost analysis of snow removal.

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10. CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. Mark Diatte and seconded by Mrs. Sheila Wachholder to adjourn into Closed Session.

A roll call vote showed the following:

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

The motion was approved.

At 7:50pm the Board of Education adjourned to go into Closed Session to discuss:

- A. The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(10)

Return to Open Session: 9:00pm

A motion was made by Mr. Phillip LaPalermo and seconded by Mr. Mark Diatte to find student #7436 as not a district resident and cannot attend Pennoyer School.

A roll call vote showed the following:

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

The motion was approved.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Since there was no further business to come before the Board, the President of the Board, Mr. Michael Malusa called for a motion to adjourn.

A motion was made by Mr. Mark Diatte and seconded by Mr. Michael Beckman to adjourn. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02pm.



President, Mr. Michael Malusa



Secretary, Mr. Mark Diatte

