

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHOOL DISTRICT #79 COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
January 11, 2017**

On Wednesday, January 11, 2017 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:

<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
<b>Mr. Michael Malusa</b>	<b>Mr. Phillip LaPalermo</b>
<b>Mr. Mark Diate</b>	
<b>Mrs. Patrizia Alaimo</b>	
<b>Mr. Michael Beckman</b>	
<b>Mrs. Lisa Nixon</b>	
<b>Mrs. Sheila Wachholder</b>	

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

- No Public Comment

**4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**A. Consent Agenda Items**

- CA-1 Approval of Open and Closed Minutes from December 14, 2016
- CA-2 Authorization for the Superintendent to pay bills through December 31, 2016 in the amount of \$115,966.84

A motion was made by Mrs. Sheila Wachholder and seconded by Mr. Michael Beckman to approve the Consent Agenda items. There was no discussion.

A roll call vote showed the following:

<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
<b>Mr. Michael Malusa</b>		<b>X</b>		
<b>Mr. Mark Diate</b>		<b>X</b>		
<b>Mrs. Patrizia Alaimo</b>		<b>X</b>		
<b>Mr. Michael Beckman</b>		<b>X</b>		
<b>Mr. Phillip LaPalermo</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>			
<b>Mrs. Lisa Nixon</b>		<b>X</b>		
<b>Mrs. Sheila Wachholder</b>		<b>X</b>		

The motion was approved.

**5. INFORMATION ITEMS**

- A. Architect Interviews-Date and time of the interviews were set.
- B. RAILS Library System-Pennoyer is approved to be part of the RAILS Library System. It is the State of Illinois Library Loan System. Pennoyer is now eligible for the Secretary of State Library Grant.
- C. Snow Removal-Dr. Kristin Kopta presented the cost analysis for snow removal. There was discussion. It will be an agenda item for the next board meeting.
- D. Building and Grounds Update-Dr. Kristin Kopta introduced Pennoyer's new Head Custodian, Mr. Viktor Will. Mr. Will presented a slide show outlining his changes, goals, needs and trainings for Pennoyer.
- E. PMA Presentation- Dr. Kristin Kopta introduced Tammie Beckwith Schallmo, Senior Vice President, Managing Director for PMA Securities, Inc. Her presentation outlined PMA's plan to assist the district with their financial needs.

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**6. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

- Mrs. Gina Sierra reported on:
  1. Pennoyer Peer Leaders won 1<sup>st</sup> place for the ACE Holiday windows contest.
  2. Student led food drive
  3. State mandated testing and Benchmark testing
  4. February 3<sup>rd</sup> Teacher Inservice Day
  5. PTC Family Movie Night & Meeting

**7. ACTION ITEMS**

- A. A motion was made by Mrs. Patrizia Alaimo and seconded by Mrs. Lisa Nixon to approve the policies listed below. There was no discussion.
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

A roll call vote showed the following:

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

The motion was approved.

- B. A motion was made by Mrs. Patrizia Alaimo and seconded by Mrs. Sheila Wachholder to approve the 3 year Campus Suites Contract. There was discussion. Dr. Kristin Kopta spoke about updating the current website.

A roll call vote showed the following:

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

The motion was approved.

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**8. CLOSED SESSION**

A motion was made by Mrs. Lisa Nixon and seconded by Mrs. Patrizia Alaimo to adjourn into Closed Session.

A roll call vote showed the following:

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

The motion was approved.

At 8:17pm the Board of Education adjourned to go into Closed Session to discuss:

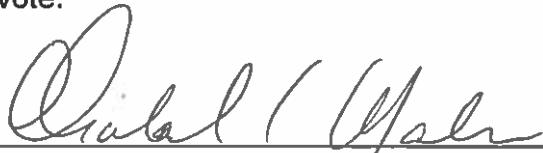
- A. Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.  
5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(2)
- B. Student disciplinary cases. 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(9)


**9. 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 Mrs. Patrizia Alaimo and seconded by Mr. Mark Diatte to adjourn. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02pm.

  
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**President, Mr. Michael Malusa**

  
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**Secretary, Mr. Mark Diatte**

