

# Minutes of Committee of the Whole

## The Board of Education

### Harlem Consolidated School District # 122

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A Committee of the Whole of the Board of Education of Harlem Consolidated School District was held Wednesday, April 8, 2026, beginning at 4:30 PM in the Harlem Administration Center - Board Room, 8605 North Second St., Machesney Park, IL 61115

1. **BUSINESS** : (60 minutes or as needed) started 5:56PM  
Administrator: Josh Aurand, Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations
- A. Roll Call: Kurt Thompson, Aaron McKnight, Josh Aurand, Terrell Yarbrough, Shannon Thompson, Michelle Erb, Union/designee-Elana Schelling Tufte  
Other Attendees: Mike Sterling, Diane McKinney, Michelle Erb, Shelley Wagner, Jacob Hubert, Rebecca Carlson, Diana Johnson, Evelyn Meeks, Pam Cook
- B. Meeting Minutes Consensus for March 4, 2026- *yes*
- C. Public Comments (if any) *none*
- D. Agenda Items
  1. Recommendation to accept February 2026 Treasurer's Report  
*Committee reached a consensus to accept the recommendation*
  2. Recommendation to approve a three (3) year extension with EvaluWise for a total cost of \$23,505.90, paid with local funds  
*Committee reached a consensus to accept the recommendation*
  3. Recommendation to award HHS Stadium Lighting Bid  
*Josh recommend to award the bid to Barton Electric Inc. for \$166,870. Barton was \$80K less than Helm. There is a 10-year warranty on LED bulbs and assistance with rebate paperwork. This project is funded by \$50K matching grant from the state.  
The Committee reached a consensus to accept the recommendation.*
  4. Recommendation to approve a one (1) year renewal with Edgenuity for student licenses at a cost of \$9,192.75, paid with local funds  
*The number of students using this program has decreased leading to the reduction in the number of seats.  
The Committee reached a consensus to accept the recommendation.*
  5. Recommendation to approve three (3) year agreement with CommonLit for high school ELA Curriculum at a cost of \$18,900, paid with local funds  
*The Committee reached a consensus to accept the recommendation*
  6. Recommendation to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Rock Valley College for Dual/Articulated Credit Courses  
*The high school is interested in adding McHenry College as a partner for dual and articulated credit in the construction program.  
The Committee reached a consensus to accept the recommendation.*
  7. Recommendation to approve Intergovernmental Agreement with Rock Valley College for the Running Start Program  
*Mike Sterling suggests to increase the maximum number of students from 17-20*

*The Committee reached a consensus to accept the recommendation*

8. Other

*Josh introduced a Bill that is currently in the House and Senate that would allow support staff to claim unemployment even if they receive a paycheck during the summer. This could begin June 1. Mike Sterling expressed the concern of unfunded mandates. The discussion highlighted the potential financial impacts on school districts if the bill is passed.*

E. Adjournment at 6:33PM