

# 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, March 4, 2026, beginning at 4:30 PM in the Harlem Administration Center - Board Room, 8605 North Second St., Machesney Park, IL 61115

#### 1. **EQUITY:** (Approximately 60 minutes) **meeting started at 4:31PM**

Administrator: Jason Blume, Assistant Superintendent for Communications & Community Relations

##### A. Roll Call: Evelyn Meeks, Jason Blume, Terrell Yarbrough, Pam Cook,

Union: Kyra Newnam/designee

E Team members:

Loves Park-Christy Grace

Machesney-Abigail Edwards

Maple-Emily Bork

Marquette-Brock Morlan

Olson Park-Marya Nelson

Parker Center-Becky Swenson

Ralston-Scott Rollinson

Rock Cut-Gloria Martinez

Windsor-Kasie Kosinski

High School-Jeremy Bois

Middle School-Nichole Belline

##### B. Approve Equity Meeting Minutes by consensus for February 11, 2026-yes

##### C. Goal Statements

##### D. Public Comments (if any)

##### E. Discussion Items

##### 1. Engagement

WN- Kasie shared the student belonging & relationship survey results, highlighting areas of improvement and student feedback.

RC-focused on academic and social engagement; discussed peer editing and the writing process

RA-Engaging in equity work including simple classroom activities and the role of Devon in guiding their efforts

PC-various engagement activities including Black History projects and the Chinese New Year celebration

OP-highlighted engagement activities including the Chinese New Year and a retirement party for long-time lunch lady, Mrs. Doherty, who has been at Olson Park for more than 20 years.

MR- discussed Random Acts of Kindness week at Marquette where staff members rewarded students for being kind.

MP- talked about attendance groups which meet weekly to track attendance and provide targeted interventions

MC- Engagement is Priority 3 in their SIP plans; highlighted various engagement activities where students could write something nice about another person then to be hung up for the school to view

LP- highlighted various engagement activities which included an earned glow party in Art class, Mrs. Walsh and a trimester assembly

HMS- discussed student engagement strategies including non-verbal engagement activities and presentations at staff meetings

HHS-highlighted engagements activities including Black History Month and the Lunar New Year celebrations and a student-led Kindness week.

F. New Business

1. Other Items

G. Announcements and Updates

1. Next Meeting Date: April 8, 2026

2. Equity Monthly Themes

**H. Adjourn at 4:59PM**