

Special Board Meeting MINUTES  
Monday, August 12, 2024 3:00 PM

Harlem High School, Main Commons, One  
Huskie Circle, Machesney Park, IL 61115  
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## MINUTES

1. Call to Order of Special Board meeting at 3:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Michael Sterling, Larry Smith, Aaron McKnight, Kurt Thompson, Megan Hastings, Rebecca Carlson, Evelyn Meeks

Other Attendees:

Kris Arduino, Recording Secretary

Dr. Terrell Yarbrough, Superintendent

Dr. Michelle Erb, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction

Josh Aurand, Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations

Dr. Shelley Wagner, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

3. Pledge of Allegiance led by Mike Sterling

4. Approval of Agenda

**Motion to approve Agenda**

**1<sup>st</sup> McKnight 2<sup>nd</sup> Carlson**

**Thompson, McKnight, Carlson, Smith, Hastings, Meeks, Sterling – 7 ayes**

**Motion carried**

5. Harlem School District Mission Statement:

The Mission of the Harlem Consolidated School District, as a vital part of the community, is to help diverse learners realize their unlimited potential by providing an educational program dedicated to academic excellence and the development of strong character in a safe and respectful learning environment.

**Presenter:** Dr, Terrell Yarbrough

6. Comments from the Community

7. Shelley Wagner, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

7.A. Recommendation to approve Personnel Agenda and Addendum

Noted 45 Transfers, striking Jessica Morand, 27 employments

Noting a New Position on the Addendum for an Assistant Principal at Parker Center, eliminating the Procedural Coach. The Assistant Principal is a 205 day contract which is needed as a result of restructured duties. The two Assistant Principals will split the duties of

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Early Childhood and Kindergarten. There are a lot more IEP's in the Early Childhood enrollment than Kindergarten.

7.B. Resignations - Noted 22 Resignations, striking Meghan Bredeson

8. Announcements and Discussion: Mike Sterling thanked all that were involved with the CTE Ribbon Cutting event and noted that the event was very well done.

Larry Smith wished everyone good luck on using the new spaces noted that the landscaping needs to be maintained by watering through the growing season to which Josh noted it will be. He also thought there should be a review of custodians needed and supervisory aides since there is now added space. Jeremy will need to be contacted about the staffing.

**Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Negotiations (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)**

**1<sup>st</sup> Thompson 2<sup>nd</sup> Hastings**

**Carlson, Smith, Hastings, Meeks, Thompson, McKnight, Sterling – 7 ayes**

**Motion carried**

*The Board went into closed session at 3:11 p.m. and returned to open session at 3:24 p.m.*

9. ACTION ITEMS:

9.A. Approve Personnel Agenda & Addendum

**Motion to approve Personnel Agenda & Addendum**

**1<sup>st</sup> McKnight 2<sup>nd</sup> Smith**

**McKnight, Carlson, Smith, Hastings, Meeks, Sterling-abstain, Thompson – 6 ayes, 1 abstain**

**Motion carried**

11. Adjournment

**Motion to adjourn at 3:25 p.m.**

**1<sup>st</sup> McKnight 2<sup>nd</sup> Smith**

**All voted aye, Motion carried**

The meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kris Arduino,*

Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

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President

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Secretary

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