

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MUNDELEIN HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 120**

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of Mundelein High School District 120 held on the fourteenth day of July 2026, at 6:07 p.m.

Members of the Board of Education Mundelein High School District 120 present:

PRESENT: Peter Rastrelli, President
Mark Ponce, Vice President
Jennifer Hill
Sean Hogan
Laura Mellon
Sophia Schneckloth, Secretary Pro Tem

ABSENT: Aaron Wellington, Secretary

Members of the Board of Education Mundelein Elementary School District 75 present:

PRESENT: Kristie Fingerhut, President
Ray Rose, Vice President
Georgina Aguirre
Marcela Duran
Al Hitzke
Emily Karl, Secretary Pro Tem

ABSENT: Eric Billittier, Secretary

D120 & D75 ADMINISTRATORS:

Dr. Corey Tafoya, Superintendent
Jamie DiCarlo, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services
Dr. Cathy Johnson, Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations
Shane McCreery, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources & Legal
Art Vallicelli, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Schools
Kevin Quinn, Director of Maintenance and Facilities

CALL TO ORDER

Board of Education of Mundelein High School District 120 board members: Hill, Hogan, Mellon, Ponce, Rastrelli and Schneckloth were present for the July 14, 2026, regular board meeting.

All in favor by voice vote: 6-0

RECOGNITION

No recognition.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

No citizen comments.

Strategic Goal Discussion

Dr. Tafoya, superintendent, facilitated a discussion of the D120/75 Shared Services strategic goals, vision, and system alignments. He shared that the Shared Services Committee had previously met to help identify share services practices between the two districts. Board members reviewed the

topics and identified the three system alignments that will brought back to the Shared Services Committee members to review.

BoardBook Premier Preview

The support resources for BoardBook Premier were reviewed to assist board members become familiar with the program. Discussion was held on the topic.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Board Member Mellon, seconded by Board Member Rastrelli, that the Board of Education of Mundelein High School District 120 board members: Hill, Hogan, Mellon, Ponce, Rastrelli, and Schneckloth moved all in favor that the Board adjourn from regular board meeting on July 14, 2026, at 7:13 p.m.

Motion approved by voice vote: 6-0.

CALL TO ORDER

Board of Education of Mundelein High School District 120 board members: Hill, Hogan, Mellon, Ponce, Rastrelli and Schneckloth were present for the July 14, 2026, regular board meeting.

All in favor by voice vote: 6-0

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

No citizen comments.

Dr. Rastrelli, board president, shared a letter from the Mundelein Police Chief, recognizing Kevin Quinn and Fred Kilora, for their support and service to the department.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Board Member Mellon, seconded by Board Member Hill that the Board of Education of Mundelein High School District 120 approve the consent agenda of July 14, 2026, which included:

- June 16, 2026, Public Hearing Minutes
- June 16, 2026, Regular Board Minutes
- June 11, 2026, Facilities Meeting (Committee of the Whole)
- Bill List
- Financial Report
- FOIA Request(s)
- Annual Renewal List
- Approval of Personnel Report
 - Employment – New Classified: Clark, Karla; García, Sucely; Jones, Robert; Pulte, Mary; Shelley, Ambrozia; Silhavy, Matthew; Smits, Susan
 - Employment – 2026 Fall Coaches: Kurt Rutz; Nathan Sweet; Todd Parola; Rob Sweno; Sebastian Falinski; Noe Alcantar; Heather Crawford; Paul Franzen; Alix McArthur; John Pauley; Christina Newsom; Chris Rosales; Boden ; Sack; Evan Teague; Scott Hagel; Abby Gomez; Maya Gold; Erin Liu; Shannon Flynn; John Cowhey; Alex Adams; Lucas Zepeda; Cody Gokan; Jake Gokan; Jim Tsagalis; Tyler Woolard; Bill Meyer; Paul Jones; Jose Silva; Steven Dawson; David Bajjalieh; Danny Lester; Eddie Solito; DeAngelo McClennan; Mark Ede; Karlie Kloss; Grace Martin; Zachary Bongratz; Tom Kuhn; Ben Holly; Sarah Keefe; Rahul Sethna; Maddie Licata; Gregg Winter; Paiton Plucinski; Jeff Blezien; Dago Diaz; Mike Fansler; Allison Fansler; Faith Krabbe; Beth Willis
- FMLA/ Leave of Absences: Silva Torres

Upon roll call, the following members voted:

AYE: Board members: Hill, Hogan, Mellon, Ponce, Rastrelli and Schneckloth

NAY: None

DISTRICT 120 REPORT

Intergovernmental Agreement with the Lake County Regional Office of Education

Jamie DiCarlo, assistant superintendent of student services, shared that D120 is entering into the second year of its partnership with the Lake County Regional Office of Education through the Alternative Learning Opportunities Program (ALOP). The program supports students who are at risk of not graduating due to academic, attendance, social-emotional, or behavioral challenges. She also reviewed data from the first year of the program. Discussion was held on the topic.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Facilities

Committee member Hogan provided an update on the Mundelein High School construction improvement projects.

Finance

Committee member Ponce provided an update on the finance committee meeting.

PRESS Policy

Committee member Hogan reviewed the recommended edits and questions that were included in PRESS policy #122.

Shared Services

An update was provided in the joint district report.

REPRESENTATIVE UPDATES

SEDOL

No update.

Community Outreach

Committee member Schneckloth shared current and future activities that board members can attend within the community.

Legislative Update

No update.

BOARD ACTION ITEMS

Intergovernmental Agreement with The Regional Office of Education

It was moved by Board Member Hill, seconded by Board Member Mellon, that the Board of Education of Mundelein High School District 120 approve the Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the Board of Education of Mundelein High School District #120 and the Lake County Regional Office of Education, as presented.

Upon roll call, the following members voted:

AYE: Board members: Hill, Hogan, Mellon, Ponce, Rastrelli and Schneckloth

NAY: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Board Member Hill, seconded by Board Member Mellon, that the Board adjourn for the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a

complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)

Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting minutes. 5ILCS 120/2(c)(11).

Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)

OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 8:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Board of Education of Mundelein High School District 120 board members: Hill, Hogan, Mellon, Ponce, Rastrelli and Schneckloth were present for the June 16, 2026, regular board meeting.

All in favor by voice vote: 6-0

ACTION

Executive Session Minutes

It was moved by Board Member Mellon, seconded by Board Member Hogan, that the Board of Education of Mundelein High School District 120 approve the June 16, 2026, executive session minutes.

Upon roll call, the following members voted:

AYE: Board members: Hill, Hogan, Mellon, Ponce, Rastrelli, and Schneckloth

NAY: None

Bonus Proposal Request

It was moved by Board Member Mellon, seconded by Board Member Rastrelli, that the Board of Education of Mundelein High School District 120 approve a one-time performance award of \$5,000, funded by District 120, payable on or before June 30, 2026, in recognition of the Superintendent's performance during the 2025-2026 contract year, and shall not be incorporated into the Superintendent's annual base salary.

Upon roll call, the following members voted:

AYE: Board members: Hill, Hogan, Mellon, Rastrelli, and Schneckloth

NAY: None

ABS: Ponce

FY26-27 Superintendent Compensation and Benefit

It was moved by Board Member Schneckloth, seconded by Board Member Rastrelli, that the Board of Education of Mundelein High School District 120 approve an increase of 2.7% to the Superintendent's annual base salary effective July 1, 2026, in accordance with the Superintendent's Employment Agreement. Additionally, the relocation reimbursement will be extended for an additional 12 months.

Upon roll call, the following members voted:

AYE: Board members: Hill, Hogan, Mellon, Ponce, Rastrelli, and Schneckloth

NAY: None

President's Prerogative
No update.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Board Member Hogan, seconded by Board Member Ponce, that the Board of Education of Mundelein High School District 120 board members: Hill, Hogan, Mellon, Ponce, Rastrelli, and Schneckloth moved all in favor that the Board adjourn from regular board meeting on July 14, 2026, at 8:33 p.m.

Motion approved by voice vote:6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

PETER RASTRELLI, PRESIDENT
DISTRICT 120, BOARD OF EDUCATION

SOPHIA SCHNECKLOTH, SECRETARY *PRO TEM*
DISTRICT 120, BOARD OF EDUCATION