

Minutes of Committee of the Whole-Business

The Board of Education

Harlem Consolidated School District # 122

A Committee of the Whole of the Board of Education of Harlem Consolidated School District was held Wednesday, May 13, 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 at 6:34PM
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- Leah Krippner
Other Attendees: Ana Luisa Dominguez, Shelley Wagner, Jason Blume, Evelyn Meeks, Jake Hubert, Shannon Rice, Pam Cook
- B. Meeting Minutes Consensus April 8, 2026- yes
- C. Public Comments (if any)- none
- D. Agenda Items
 1. Recommendation to accept March 2026 Treasurer's Report
 2. Recommendation to approve renewal quote for the Treasurer's Bond FY27 with a limit of \$7,300,000 in the amount of \$6,464
 3. Recommendation to award Rock Cut Parking Lot Project bid
-Award to Norwest Construction for base bid of \$209,550.00; Alternate of \$12,475.65; for a total cost of \$222,025.65
 4. Recommendation to award HMS Painting Corridor Project bid
-Award to Midwest Decorating for a base bid of \$48,500; Alternate #1 of \$32,100; for a total cost of \$80,600
 5. Recommendation to approve Memorandum of Understanding with Hagney Architects for Harlem High School for replacement of boilers
 6. Recommendation to approve Memorandum of Understanding with Hagney Architects for Harlem High School for Fire Alarm System Upgrades
 7. Recommendation to approve an agreement with Thayer Energy Solutions to update lighting in Windsor Elementary School
 8. Recommendation to approve membership with Northern Illinois Council of Governments (NorthCOG)
 9. Recommendation to Appoint Benefits Consultant
 10. Recommendation to approve a one-year extension agreement with Athletico Management LLC to provide athletic training services for a total cost of \$39,725
 11. Recommendation to approve a renewal with Thomson Reuters CLEAR and LPR Software that will assist with residency verification for a three (3) year agreement
 12. Recommendation to approve an agreement with Relevant Science Education, LLC and ROE 17 to provide 2 (two) professional development workshops for secondary science teachers, for a cost of \$5,354.67, paid with Title II Funds

13. Recommendation to approve an agreement for Professional Development with HMH Amira and Waggle for Loves Park Elementary, for a cost of \$8,400 paid with Title II Funds
14. Recommendation to approve an agreement for Professional Development with HMH Into Reading, for a cost of \$4,200 paid with Title II Funds
15. Recommendation to approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Speech Horizons, Inc. to provide private/parochial speech and language services for \$100.00 per hour for 37 weeks at 24 hours per week for the FY27 school year at a total cost of \$88,800, funded by the IDEA Flow Through Part B Grant and Pre-K IDEA Grant
16. Recommendation to approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Christina Gouchenour to provide bilingual psychological evaluations at a cost of \$900 per academic assessment per student and \$1,100 per academic and cognitive assessment per student, paid with IDEA Flow Through Part B
17. Recommendation to approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Bright Beginnings Bilingual Therapy, LLC to provide Speech & Language evaluations for 2026-2027 school year at \$1,000 per evaluation for Pre K-2nd grade students and \$1,400 per evaluation for 3rd-12th+ grade students, \$80 per hour for screening and miscellaneous services, paid with IDEA Flow Through Part B & IDEA Pre-K
18. Recommendation to approve an agreement with Crisis Prevention Institute to provide professional development and for the registration for CPI Training for Train the Trainer for a cost of \$5,988.00, paid with IDEA Flow Through Part B
19. Recommendation to approve a renewal agreement with Teaching Strategies Gold for one (1) year subscription at \$4,746.00 paid with local funds
20. Recommendation to approve a renewal agreement with Mystery Science for a one (1) year subscription at a total cost of \$12,593.00, paid with local funds
21. Recommendation to approve a one (1) year renewal agreement with Curriculum Associates for i-Ready Assessment for grades K-8 at a cost of \$48,592.50, paid with local funds
22. Recommendation to approve a one (1) year renewal with AMIRA Learning for Istation en Espanol Program for a total of \$4,410, paid with Title IV funds
23. Recommendation to approve an agreement with MusicPlay Online for a one (1) year subscription for a cost of \$1,000, paid with Title IV funds
24. Recommendation to approve a one (1) year renewal agreement with Second Step for online curriculum subscription for a cost of \$3,199, paid with Title IV Funds
25. Recommendation to approve an agreement with DBQ Online for a one (1) year subscription renewal at a total cost of \$2,800, paid with Title IV
26. Recommendation to approve an agreement with Fastbridge for a one (1) year subscription renewal at a cost of \$9,630, paid with IDEA grant
27. Recommendation to approve an agreement with Formative (Newsela) for instruction and assessment platform for teachers at a cost of \$24,934.24, paid with local funds
28. Recommendation to approve a contract renewal with Embrace Education, Inc. for Embrace IEP and 504 platforms and website access for \$20,162.25 for the FY27 school year, funded by the IDEA grant
29. Recommendation to approve a renewal agreement with Woodcock Johnson V for a one (1) year subscription at a total cost of \$7,940.40, paid with IDEA grant
30. Recommendation to approve an agreement with Pearson Digital Assessment Library for a one (1) year subscription for a cost of \$24,327.00, paid with IDEA grant

31. Recommendation to approve an agreement with Everway (News2You) for a one (1) year subscription renewal for a cost of \$26,909.25, paid with IDEA grant
32. Recommendation to approve an agreement with Readtopia for a one (1) year subscription for a cost \$2,840.87 paid with IDEA grant

33. Other

Josh Aurand recommended to approve an agreement with Per Mar Security for the installation of cellular communications at all District buildings for a total cost of \$21,294.25. This would help with improving response times on alarms and reduce the monthly cost tremendously.

E. Adjournment at 7:28 PM