

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
PALOS COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 118  
PALOS PARK, ILLINOIS**

Central Administration Building  
8800 West 119<sup>th</sup> Street  
Palos Park, IL 60464

August 19, 2025

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** Policy Committee Chair Dan Cox called the Policy Committee Meeting of August 19, 2025, to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL.** Board Members Present: Pam Paris, President; Mike Pizur, Vice President; Susan Szafranski, Secretary; Dr. Tim Baker, Dan Cox, Committee Chair; Jennifer Jensen, Kevin Quinn. Others Present: Dr. Anthony Scarsella, Superintendent of Schools; Erin Deval, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services; Brock Stein, Director of Communications; Darby Dwyer, Owner/Brand Manager Green Closet Creative. absent: None
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT.** There were no public comments on agenda items.
5. **DISCUSSION ITEMS.**
  - A. Dr. Scarsella reviewed with the policy committee Draft Updates from PRESS Update 119 which includes updates for: 2:80 Board Member Oath and Conflict; 2:130 Board-Superintendent Relationship; 7:140 Search and Seizure; 7:300 Extracurricular Athletics; 2:220-E9 Exhibit – Requirements for No Physical Presence of Quorum and Participation by Audio or Video During Disaster Declaration; 2:240-E1 Exhibit – PRESS Issue Updates; 2:240-E2 Exhibit – Developing Local Policy. Dr. Scarsella recommended that the draft updates be moved to the September 9, 2025 board meeting for a first read.
  - B. Dr. Scarsella reviewed the recommended five year review for PRESS UPDATE 119 which includes a review of: 1:10 School District Legal Status; 1:20 District Organization; Operations, and Cooperative Agreements; 1:30 School District Philosophy; 2:10 School District Governance; 2:125-E3 Resolution to Regulate Expense Reimbursements; 2:240 Board Policy Development; 3:30 Chain of Command; 4:50 Payment Procedures; 4:90 Student Activity and Fiduciary Funds; 4:180 Pandemic Preparedness, Management, and Recovery; 5:20-E Resolution to Prohibit Sexual Harassment; 5:270 Employment At-Will, Compensation, and Assignment; 7:40 Nonpublic School Students, Including Parochial and Home-Schooled Students; 7:90 Release During School; 7:130 Student Rights and Responsibilities; 7:325 Student Fundraising Activities; 8:80 Gifts to the District; 8:110 Public Suggestions and Concerns. Dr. Scarsella recommended that the five-year reviews be moved to the September 9, 2025 board meeting for a first read.
  - C. Dr. Scarsella reviewed with the committee Policy 7:60 Residence and his recommendation for changes and recommended that the policy be moved to the September 9, 2025 board meeting for a first read.

- D. In accordance with Policy 8:10 Connection with the Community, the committee reviewed plans for the members of the Board of Education to participate in the Palos Park Autumn in the Park Parade at its new start time, and discussed with Darby Dwyer of Green Closet Creative, their feedback on final designs for a new Charlie Cardinal logo.
6. **PUBLIC COMMENT.** There were no public comments on non-agenda items.
7. **CLOSED SESSION.** There was no closed session.
8. **ADJOURNMENT.** A motion was made by Dr. Baker and seconded by Mrs. Paris that the committee adjourn the meeting. The roll call vote was: Aye votes: Mrs. Paris, Mr. Pizur, Mrs. Szafranski, Dr. Baker, Mr. Cox, Mrs. Jensen, Mr. Quinn. Nay votes: None. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

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President, Board of Education

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Secretary, Board of Education