

APPROVED



Niles Elementary School District 71

Minutes

Regular Session

Date and Time

Tuesday April 21, 2026 at 7:00 PM

Location

Media Center

Directors Present

Dexi Karabatsos, Georgia Chronopoulos, Kenny Krueger, Matt Glancy, Matthew Holbrook

Directors Absent

Jackie Jaime, Victoria Luz

Guests Present

Debra Jordan, Erica Smolinski, John Kosirog, Katie Russ, Ken Kaufhold, Laura Guarraci

I. Opening Items**A. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance****B. Call the Meeting to Order**

Matthew Holbrook called a meeting of the board of directors of Niles Elementary School District 71 to order on Tuesday Apr 21, 2026 at 7:02 PM.

II. Consent Agenda**A.**

Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda

Matt Glancy made a motion to approve the minutes from Finance Committee Meeting on 03-24-26.

Kenny Krueger seconded the motion.

Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting and the Consent Agenda were approved with this vote.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Kenny Krueger	Aye
Jackie Jaime	Absent
Georgia Chronopoulos	Aye
Dexi Karabatsos	Aye
Matthew Holbrook	Aye
Matt Glancy	Aye
Victoria Luz	Absent

Kenny Krueger made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Session on 03-24-26.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Matthew Holbrook	Aye
Jackie Jaime	Absent
Victoria Luz	Absent
Kenny Krueger	Aye
Dexi Karabatsos	Aye
Matt Glancy	Aye
Georgia Chronopoulos	Aye

Matthew Holbrook made a motion to approve the minutes from Finance Committee Meeting on 04-21-26.

Matt Glancy seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

III. Discussion and Action Items

A. Motion to Approve Accounts Payable

B. Approval of 2026-2027 EBC Insurance Rates

Matt Glancy made a motion to Approve the 2026-2027 EBC Insurance Rates.

Kenny Krueger seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Victoria Luz	Absent
Jackie Jaime	Absent
Georgia Chronopoulos	Aye

Roll Call

Matt Glancy	Aye
Dexi Karabatsos	Aye
Kenny Krueger	Aye
Matthew Holbrook	Aye

C. Approval of the 2026-2027 Starting Salaries

Matt Glancy made a motion to Approve the starting salaries for the 2026-2027 school year.

Kenny Krueger seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Jackie Jaime	Absent
Kenny Krueger	Aye
Matt Glancy	Aye
Victoria Luz	Absent
Dexi Karabatsos	Aye
Georgia Chronopoulos	Aye
Matthew Holbrook	Aye

D. First reading of Board Policies

E. 2026-2027 Board Calendar

IV. Informational Items

A. NTDSE Report

The NTDSE Board meeting to be held April 22, 2026.

V. Superintendent's Report

A. Advance Learning

1. Action Plan 25-26

B. Embrace Techology

1. Draft AI Guidelines

C. Meet Social Emotional Needs

D. Steward Resources

1. Insurance Premiums Increase
2. Addition Repair Update

E.

Engage Community

VI. Administrative Report

A. Admin Report

Strategic Plan Activities:

Advance Learning and Innovation

- PLC Leadership
- K/1/2 HMH PD
- Special Education Teacher Professional Development Schedule for 2026-2027
- Paraprofessional Professional Development Schedule for 2026-2027
- Recruiting and Retaining High Quality Special Education Staff
- Athletic/Extracurricular Update
- PBIS
- PTA Events
- Field Trips
- Spring Music Concerts
- Staff Appreciation Week

VII. Public Comment

A. In Attendance

Teachers: Linda Kraus and Kellie Conklin

VIII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:48 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Matthew Holbrook

Attest

Matt Holbrook, President

Attest

Victoria Luz, Board Secretary