Niles Elementary School District 71

Minutes

Regular Session

Date and Time
Tuesday August 11, 2026 at 7:00 PM

Directors Present
Dexi Karabatsos, Georgia Chronopoulos, Jackie Jaime, Kenny Krueger, Matt Glancy, Matthew Holbrook

Directors Absent
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 Aug 11, 2026 at 7:03 PM.

II. Closed Session

A. Closed Session

- Closed Session for the Discussion of minutes of the meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act as described by 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).
- Consider the appointment, employment, compensation, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9).

III. Acknowledging Communications to the Board of Education

A. Communications

There were ISBA Journal magazines for Board Members.

IV. Consent Agenda

A. Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda

Matt Glancy made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Session on 06-30-26.
Kenny Krueger seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

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

V. Discussion and Action Items

A. Motion to Approve Accounts Payable

Matt Glancy made a motion to Approve Accounts Payable.
Kenny Krueger seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

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

B. Approval of Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on June 30, 2026.

Matt Glancy made a motion to approve the minutes from Finance Committee Meeting on 06-30-26.
Kenny Krueger seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

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

C. Approval of IGA Regarding the Village of Niles New South Milwaukee TIF Agreement

Matt Glancy made a motion to Approve the IGA Regarding the Village of Niles New South Milwaukee TIF Agreement.
Kenny Krueger seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

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

D. Approval of the IGA for Joint Procurement of Crossing Guard Services

Matt Glancy made a motion to Approve the IGA for Joint Procurement of Crossing Guard Services.
Kenny Krueger seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

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

E. Approval of the Crossing Guard Contract

Matt Glancy made a motion to Approve the Crossing Guard Contract.
Kenny Krueger seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

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

F. Approval to put the 2026-2027 Tentative Budget on Display

Matt Glancy made a motion to Approve putting the 2026-2027 Tentative Budget on Display.
Kenny Krueger seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

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

G. First Reading of Board Policies

First reading of Board Policies Issue #122.

VI. Informational Items

A. NTDSE Report

There was no July meeting.

VII. Administrative Report

A. Administrative Report

Strategic Plan Activities:
Advance Learning and Innovation

- **PLC**
- **Summer Programs**

- **New Staff Camp**
- **Special Education Teacher Professional Development**
- **Recruiting and Retaining High Quality Special Education Staff**

Responsibly embrace technology to empower creativity, problem solving, collaboration, communication and learning.

- **Student Devices**

Meet students' increasing social emotional needs.

- **Athletic/Extracurricular Update**
- **PBIS**
- **Recess**

Engage and expand community and parent resources

Community Building

- **Back to School Bash**

VIII. Superintendent's Report

A. Advance Learning

B. Embrace Technology

C. Meet Social Emotional Needs

D. Steward Resources

1. Summer Work
2. Addition Repair Updates

E. Engage Community

1. FOIA Requests
2. District Enrollment

IX. 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 9:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Matthew Holbrook

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Board President

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Board Secretary