

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 271
Bloomington, Minnesota**

January 23, 2012

- I. ROLL CALL Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, and there being a quorum present, the Board of Education of Independent School District 271, was called to order by Chair Melissa Halvorson Wiklund at 7:00 p.m. on January 23, 2012, in the Community Room at the Educational Services Center, 1350 West 106th Street, Bloomington, Minnesota.
- Members Present Melissa Halvorson Wiklund, Chair; Mark Hibbs, Vice Chair; Tim Culver Clerk; Arlene Bush, Treasurer; Maureen Bartolotta, Dick Bergstrom and Nelly Korman.
- Administration Present Les Fujitake, Nancy Allen-Mastro, Rod Zivkovich, Eric Melbye, Bruce Pappas, Tom Holton and Rick Kaufman.
- Attorney Present David Holman.
(There are no abstentions unless otherwise stated.)
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Recited.
- III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA Arlene Bush moved, Maureen Bartolotta seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
- IV. RECOGNITION STUDENTS/STAFF PUBLIC None.
- V. PART A
1. *Board Business Minutes*
- Personnel Items
- Non-Resident Student Agreements
- a. Minutes of the Organizational Meeting of the School Board on January 9, 2012.
- b. Licensed Personnel: Resignation, Employment, Changes of Status. Independent Personnel: Retirement. Classified Personnel: Resignations, Termination, Leaves of Absence, Employments, Changes of Status.
- c. Non-Resident Student Attendance Agreements 2011-2012: Students entering Bloomington total 7 and students leaving Bloomington total 21. For 2012-2013: students entering Bloomington total 16.
2. *Field Trip Approval* RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves field trips per the attached list (on file).
3. *Contracts/Agreements*
- HTC Classrooms
- a. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the renewal of the Occupancy Agreement between the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities on behalf of Hennepin Technical College and Independent School District 271. The Occupancy Agreement is effective January 3, 2012 through May 31, 2012 (PM Classes).

HTC Classrooms

- b. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the renewal of the Occupancy Agreement between the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities on behalf of Hennepin Technical College and Independent School District 271. The Occupancy Agreement is effective January 4, 2012 through June 1, 2012 (AM Classes).

4. *Grant Application*

MSHSL
Foundation

- a. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 authorizes the administration at Kennedy High School and Jefferson High School to submit a grant application to the Minnesota State High School League Foundation requesting financial support for athletics and activities transportation costs.

Maureen Bartolotta moved, Arlene Bush seconded, to approve Part A items in accordance with all of the written material submitted to the School Board. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. PART B
Bid Award
OGE Electrical
Switchgear
Replacement

Mark Hibbs moved, Arlene Bush seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 accepts the Total Construction & Equipment, Inc., Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota bid of \$103,700 to replace the electrical switchgear at Oak Grove Elementary School and approves the contract with Total Construction & Equipment Inc., to accomplish this work. Motion carried unanimously.

This project is identified in our State and School Board approved Alternative Facilities Plan. The project involves replacing the service entrance cable, main switch, feeder cable and main distribution panel. This equipment has exceeded its intended lifespan and this work will reduce the chances of an unplanned power outage due to equipment failure. Funding for this project is from the Alternative Facilities Fund.

Policy 203

Mark Hibbs moved, Maureen Bartolotta seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the first reading of revised Policy 203, School Board Sessions. Motion carried unanimously.

The change to the policy provides for the Board session schedule to be established by resolution at the Board's organizational meeting held in January of each year.

VII. BOARD COMMITTEE
REPORTS

Arlene Bush reported on the Board meeting of the Metropolitan Learning Alliance (MLA). Arlene Bush and Nelly Korman attended the Kennedy High School Robotics Team presentation at Thermo King. Dick Bergstrom highlighted a visit to Valley View Middle School. Maureen Bartolotta attended meetings of the PTSA Council and the Labor Management Committee.

- VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
Dr. Karen Cadigan, Director of the Minnesota Office of Early Learning, has selected Tom Holton to accompany her as part of a three-member Minnesota delegation to attend a national meeting on Kindergarten Entry Assessments. The two-day meeting is sponsored by the Council of Chief State School Officers and the Build Initiative, which supports state efforts to create comprehensive early childhood systems. Mr. Holton is working with Minnesota legislators, leadership from the Minnesota Community Education Association and the Minnesota Association For Family and Early Education on this and other crucial early education policy topics. The effort to establish a common kindergarten standard is something that Mr. Holton, and others in our District, have been working on for several years. It is complementary to many of the other Early Education to third grade initiatives already underway in collaboration with our partners.
- IX. OTHER
Chair Melissa Halvorson Wiklund indicated that at the close of each session of the School Board, she will identify materials from the meeting and/or study session to be posted to the School Board page on the website.
- X. ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business to come before the School Board, Mark Hibbs moved, Maureen Bartolotta seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m. Upon conclusion of the regular meeting, the School Board entered a Study Session.

Tim Culver, Clerk