

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 271
Bloomington, Minnesota**

April 12, 2010

- I. ROLL CALL Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, and there being a quorum present, the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 271, was called to order by Chair Jim Sorum at 7:00 p.m. on April 12, 2010, in the Community Room at the Educational Services Center, 1350 West 106th Street, Bloomington, Minnesota.
- Members Present Jim Sorum, Chair; Maureen Bartolotta, Vice Chair; Chuck Walter, Clerk; Arlene Bush, Treasurer; Tim Culver, Mark Hibbs, Melissa Halvorson Wiklund.
- Administration Present Les Fujitake, Nancy Allen-Mastro, Stacy Colebrook-Robjent, Bruce Pappas, Tom Holton, Rick Kaufman and Joan Bernard.
- Attorney Present Kingsley Holman.
(There are no abstentions unless otherwise stated.)
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Recited.
- III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA Arlene Bush moved, Chuck Walter seconded, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
- IV. RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS/STAFF/PUBLIC
- The Holman Law Office is a legal firm providing high-quality legal services, especially in the area of education law. As of April 21st of this year, Mr. Kingsley Holman has served as the District's legal counsel for 55 years. With the addition of David Holman, who has served the District for almost 34 years, along with the firm's Executive Assistant, Elaine Holman (wife of Kingsley), the Holman Law Office has provided over 100 years of service to the Bloomington Public Schools!
- The School Board recognizes the contributions made by organizations and business partners.
- FRIENDS—Mall of America**
- Since opening its doors in 1992, Mall of America has revolutionized the shopping experience and become a leader in retail and entertainment. Mall of America is one of the top tourists destinations in the country as well as one of the most recognizable brands. The Mall of America sponsors a variety of events and supports its community in a variety of ways. Examples of collaboration: Providing space for *Think Pink* and *I Love to Read Month*, an event to emphasize literacy in early childhood and elementary grades, and a major sponsor for our upcoming Senior Achievement Recognition event on April 15. Mall of America partnered with five school districts known as the Metropolitan Learning Alliance to provide unique educational opportunities to students in surrounding communities. The School Board recognized Dan Jasper, Director of Community Relations for the Mall of America.

FRIENDS—Lockheed Martin

Lockheed Martin is a global security company that employs about 140,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products and services. As a global security and information technology company, the majority of Lockheed Martin's business is with the U.S. Department of Defense and the U.S. Federal Government agencies. In fact, Lockheed Martin is the largest provider of IT services, systems integration, and training to the U.S. Government. Over the last three years, Lockheed Martin has provided various engineering opportunities to Bloomington students and staff. Lockheed Martin will be awarding \$24,000 in grants to five schools as part of the company's education initiative—Engineers in the Classroom. Schools receiving grant monies included Jefferson and Kennedy high schools, \$8,000 each; and Olson, Oak Grove and Valley View middle schools, and Poplar Bridge Elementary School was awarded \$2,000 for their innovative engineering initiatives. The School Board recognized Vice President and General Manager Rick Udicious and Peggy Mullikin.

Diversity Day T-Shirt Design

Diversity Day is a community event held annually and co-sponsored by the School District, Human Rights Commission and City of Bloomington. This year's event will be held on May 7. The day features a keynote presentation, cultural exhibits and a peace run between Kennedy and Jefferson. The Human Rights Commission was asked to select a winning design for the 2010 Diversity Day t-shirt. Don Peterson, President of the Human Rights Commission, introduced Charlie Kiriara, a student at Jefferson High School, as the creator of the winning design. As the contest winner, Charlie was awarded \$100 savings bond from the Richfield Bloomington Credit Union, which was presented by Pat Brekken, President of Richfield Bloomington Credit Union.

Kennedy Wrestling

Kennedy's Dylan Ness is the 2010 Class AAA State Wrestling Champion in the 145 pound weight class. Andrew Hermann placed fifth in the Class AAA heavyweight division. The wrestlers are coached by Chuck Vavrosky.

Dylan Ness also was named this year's Minnesota Wrestling Coaches Association Mr. Minnesota of Wrestling. The Minnesota Wrestling Coaches Association annually presents the Mr. Minnesota High School Wrestler award to the senior that best exemplifies the highest ideals of high school wrestling in Minnesota. Judging is based on past performances, citizenship, academics, leadership, and adherence to MSHSL rules.

Kris Krenz, Kennedy High School Activities Director, recognized Chuck Vavrosky for his 30 years as a wrestling coach.

MESPA Award

Indian Mounds Elementary School Principal Joan Maland has received the Leadership Achievement Award from the Minnesota Elementary School Principals Association (MESPA). The award honors principals for leadership efforts to improve education.

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Nancy Allen-Mastro highlighted the award and accomplishments of Ms. Maland. Under the leadership of Principal Maland, Indian Mounds was designated a MESPA School of Excellence in 2009.

Valley View Middle School PTA Leaders

Andy Kubas, Principal of Valley View Middle School, highlighted the transformation of the school acknowledging the support of the PTA leadership, in particular, two PTA leaders who will no longer be serving at the middle school as their students will be going to high school next year. Cindy Lee and Stella Phillips were an integral part of helping to shape the transformation of Valley View Middle School. Jean Kindem, former PTA President and Lori Sorensen, PTA President also helped to lay the groundwork for the change.

Art Display

The new art display is provided by students from Hillcrest Community School and Westwood Elementary School. The Art specialists are Holly Rengstorf-Nelson and Keri Galchutt.

V. PART A

1. Board Business Minutes

Personnel Items

- a. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the School Board on March 8, 2010, and the Special Meeting on March 29, 2010.
- b. Licensed Personnel: Retirement, Resignations, Leaves of Absence, Employments.
Independent Personnel: Retirement, Leave of Absence, Employment, Change of Status.
Classified Personnel: Resignations, Leaves of Absence, Employments, Changes of Status.

Non-Resident Student Agreements

- c. Non-Resident Student Attendance Agreements 2009-2010: Students entering Bloomington total 13 and 19 students leaving.
Non-Resident Student Attendance Agreements 2010-2011: Students entering Bloomington total 11 and 6 students leaving.

2. Contracts/Agreements

City/Educational Access Cable TV

- a. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District No. 271 approves the agreement between the City of Bloomington and Independent School District No. 271 to participate in the promotion and development of Educational Access programming (BEC-TV) on the Bloomington cable television system. And approves the agreement between the City of Bloomington and Independent School District No. 271 to provide the facility and staff for *The Bloomington Channel 14 (TBC)*.

MN Literacy Council AmeriCorps VISTA

- b. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District No. 271 approves an agreement between Minnesota Literacy Council AmeriCorps VISTA and Independent School District No. 271 with respect to the assignment of one (1) VISTA member to perform service to strengthen and supplement efforts to eliminate poverty and poverty-related human, social and environmental problems in accordance with the job descriptions. This agreement is effective February 17, 2010 and shall end on the date of the 2010-2011 VISTA member's final day of service.

Architectural
Services-Olson
Middle School

- c. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District No. 271 enters into a contract with Wold Architects and Engineers, St. Paul, Minnesota to provide Architectural Services for the remodel of Olson Middle School.

3. *Grants*

Success for the Future

- a. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District No. 271 accepts an additional \$2,170 to the original \$67,275 for an amended grant total of \$69,445 from the Minnesota Department of Education to be used for American Indian Education Programming. This grant will be awarded annually through the 2013 school year.

4. *Finance*

Gifts/Donations

- a. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District No. 271 accepts gifts and donations, as indicated in the background, in the amount of \$15,123.58.

Finance Reports

- b. Statement of Revenues and Statement of Expenditures for the month of February 2010.

Receipts/Disbursements

- c. Receipts and Disbursements as submitted.

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

Extended Filed Trip
Germany

Mark Hibbs moved, Maureen Bartolotta seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District No. 271 approves the extended field trip application for a group of students from Jefferson High School to travel to Germany, Austria and Switzerland (Spring Break 2011). Motion carried unanimously.

Dan Fretland and six adult chaperones will accompany 60 Jefferson Wind Ensemble members to Germany, Austria and Switzerland. The students will not miss any school days. The dates of the trip are March 28 through April 4, 2011 (Spring Break). The purpose of the trip is to experience the culture/historical perspective and provide performance opportunities.

Integration/
Educational Equity
Budget

Chuck Walter moved, Arlene Bush seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District No. 271 approves the Integration/Educational Equity budget to be implemented for Fiscal Year 2011, contingent on receiving funding in the amount of \$1,530,022.00 from the Minnesota Department of Education. In the event of a decrease in funding, the contents of the plan and corresponding budget will be adjusted accordingly. Motion carried unanimously.

The Bloomington Public School District has been identified as a racially isolated school district. In the fall of 2008 a subcommittee of Community Collaboration Council was formed to create an integration plan to address racial isolation in the district. Additionally, a budget was developed to support the plan. The Integration/Educational Equity Plan 2009-2010 is the culmination of the subcommittee's work.

The Board approved the four-year integration plan on March 23rd, 2009. The created plan remains in place for a period of four years. However, a budget has to be approved annually to supplement this plan. The budget will be submitted to the Minnesota Department of Education and, if approved, will be implemented at the start of the 2011 fiscal year. The budget was reviewed at the March 22 Board Study Session.

District Group
Insurance

Mark Hibbs moved, Arlene Bush seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District No. 271 approves the following vendors and rates for the 12-month period from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011:

- A. PreferredOne – Third Party Administrator for Self-Insured Health Insurance (renewal)
 - 1. Administrative Services Fee: \$25.00 per employee per month
 - 2. Nurseline / Employee Assistance Program Fee: \$2.00 per employee per month
 - 3. Conversion Fee: \$0.65 per employee per month

- B. ING – Reinsurance for Self-Funded Health Insurance (renewal)
 - 1. Specific Stop Loss Premium: \$35.41 per employee per month
 - 2. Aggregate Stop Loss Premium: \$2.50 per employee per month

- C. HealthEquity – Health Savings Accounts Provider (renewal)
 - 1. One-time set-up fee: waived
 - 2. Administrative Services Fee: \$2.95 per member account per month

- D. Delta Dental – Self-Funded Dental Insurance (renewal)
 - 1. Administrative Services Fee: \$3.15 per employee per month

- E. ING – Long-Term Disability (LTD) Insurance (switch from NIS)
 - 1. 66.7% of salary/wages for full-time employees: \$0.25 per \$100 of payroll
 - 2. New terms: full-time employees covered on the first day of the month following employment and 3/12 exclusion for pre-existing conditions

- F. ING – Life Insurance (renewal)
 - 1. Basic Life: \$0.075 Basic Life per \$1,000 of benefit (two times payroll for all full-time and part-time employees)
 - 2. Accidental Death & Dismemberment: \$0.015 per \$1,000 of payroll
 - 3. Dependent Life: \$0.24 per employee per month

- G. Corporate Health Systems, Inc. – Benefits Consultant (renewal)
 - 1. Benefits Consulting Fee: \$75,000.00
 - 2. Dependent Care Flexible Spending Account Administration
 - a. Annual Enrollment Fee: \$9.05 per member
 - b. Administrative Services Fee: \$3.60 per member account per month
 - 3. COBRA/Retiree Administration
 - a. One-time Event Fee: \$3.18 per event
 - b. Processing fee: \$4.62 per member account per month

- H. Voluntary Programs—no cost to the District
 - 1. AlwaysCare—Voluntary Vision Program (new)
 - 2. uCare – Medicare Supplement (renewal)
 - 3. PEIP through Medica – Medicare Supplement (renewal)

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District No. 271, per its organization meeting of January 11, 2010, authorizes the Superintendent, or his designee, to execute documents within the authorized budget as appropriate to the daily operations of the school district. This includes contracts (1) for which the School Board has previously approved rates and (2) which have been reviewed and approved by District legal counsel and the District insurance consultant.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Office of Human Resources, in collaboration with the Labor Management Committee, undertook in 2009-2010 a thorough review of employee benefits. The changes are a result of that review. The “mega-motion” rolls all Board motions regarding employee benefits, which were in past years presented as individual motions, into one. Additional information is provided in the background for the resolution.

District Self-Funded Group Insurance

Maureen Bartolotta moved, Chuck Walter seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District No. 271 set the monthly premium rates for the District self-funded insurance programs for the 12-month period from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011 at the insurance consultant recommended amounts of:

A. **Health Insurance** (High Deductible Health Plan)

2010-11	Premium
Employee-Only	\$536.00
Employee+One	\$1,124.00
Family	\$1,231.00

In addition, set the deductible/out-of-pocket maximum per IRS regulations:

2010-11	Deductible/OOP Max
Employee-Only	\$1,200.00
Employee+One & Family	\$2,400.00

B. **Dental Insurance** (for settled employee groups and independent employees)

2010-11	Premium
Employee-Only Preventative	\$21.40
Employee-Only Comprehensive	\$33.50
Family Comprehensive	\$99.00

In addition, terms be changed as follows:

1. Allow employees to “buy-up” to higher categories by paying the difference in premium.
2. Increase comprehensive maximum cap to \$1,200 per individual.

The dental insurance program and rates for unsettled employee groups will remain unchanged from 2009-2010, as previously approved by the Board.

Motion carried unanimously.

Additional information is provided in the background for the resolution. The 2010-2011 Open Enrollment period will be from April 13 to April 26.

District Contribution
District Group
Insurance

Chuck Walter moved, Maureen Bartolotta seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District No 271 approves the District contribution to District group insurance for all independent (non-bargaining unit) employees, including Community Education Hourly employees and Administrative Council members, for the 2010-2011 school year as follows, effective July 1, 2010:

A. **Health Insurance (High Deductible Health Plan)**

2010-11 District Contribution	Full-time	Part-time
Employee-Only	\$536.00	\$376.00
Employee+One	\$787.00	\$551.00
Family	\$862.00	\$604.00

NOTE: District Contribution Exclusion: Employees who have health/hospitalization insurance coverage under another plan may participate in the District Health/ Hospitalization Insurance, but they will receive no District contribution toward the monthly premium. This does not include employees who receive Medicare, or Tri-Care, or Veterans Affairs (VA) benefits.

B. **Health Savings Accounts (HSA)**

2010-11 District Contribution	Full-time	Part-time
Employee-Only	\$600.00	\$300.00
Employee+One & Family	\$1,200.00	\$600.00

C. **Dental Insurance**

2010-11 District Contribution	Full-time	Part-time
Employee-Only	\$33.50	\$21.40

Note: Employees allowed to "buy-up" to single comprehensive or family comprehensive by paying the difference in premium.

D. **Long-Term Disability Insurance (LTD):** Fully paid by District for full-time employees.

E. **Life Insurance:** Fully paid by District for full-time and part-time employees.

The 2010-2011 District contributions for employees whose labor groups have unsettled contracts will remain at the level specified in their respective settled contracts.

In cases where individual employment letters or group plans provide a different 2010-2011 District contribution than that specified above, individual employment letters or group plans will prevail.

2010-2011 salaries and wages for independent employees, effective July 1, 2010, will be determined at a later date.

Motion carried unanimously.

Administration recommends these changes in order to maintain the affordability of the District group insurance plans for employees and the District and to keep District costs within those authorized by the Board. Additional information is included in the resolution background. These contributions will amend the individual employee's Letter of Employment contained in personnel files. These contributions reflect negotiated amounts in the 2009-2011 Bloomington Federation of Teachers Contract, as well as other employee groups who have settled contracts for 2010-2011.

Dental Services/
Fairview Pond
Center Clinic

Tim Culver moved, Arlene Bush seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District No. 271 authorizes a letter of agreement with Children's Dental Services to provide professional services within School District No. 271. Be it further resolved, that Independent School District No. 271 authorizes a license agreement with Children's Dental Services to use space within Independent School District No. 271 to provide the professional services outlined in the aforementioned letter of agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Children's Dental services will use space at the Fairview Pond Center Clinic where they will provide pediatric primary dental care services to children ages 0-18. Children's Dental Services will bill for dental services provided to insured students. Dental services for uninsured students will be provided at a reduced rate or free of charge as long as that student qualifies for the CDS Sliding Scale. District legal counsel and the District insurance carrier have reviewed this agreement.

Bid Award/
Olson Middle
Special Education
Remodel

Tim Culver moved, Arlene Bush seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District No. 271 accepts the Rochon Corporation, Plymouth, Minnesota bid of \$1,091,000 to provide the Olson Middle School Special Education remodel and authorizes Administration to enter into a contract with Rochon Corporation to accomplish this work. Motion carried unanimously.

At the November 9, 2009 Regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 271 the Board approved the implementation of the Facilities Committee Recommendation to remodel Olson Middle School to accommodate Special Education programming, displaced regular education teams and administrative functions, main office security, and ensure space for the expansion of Dimensions Academy. This project will include renovation of lower C-wing, Galaxy area, middle school office and parts of upper E-wing and lower D-wing. The project also includes modification of heating, cooling and electrical systems. The budget for this portion of the project was \$1,700,000.00 including costs, fees and contingencies. Based on the favorable construction bid the total project budget will be lowered to \$1,515,000.00. Funding for this project is from District Reserves in the Building Construction Fund. The bid specifications were reviewed by our District attorney and insurance agent.

Bid Award/
High School
Field Improvements

Chuck Walter moved, Maureen Bartolotta seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District No. 271 accepts the Max Steininger, Inc., Eagan, Minnesota bid of \$1,706,000 to provide field improvements at Jefferson and Kennedy High Schools and authorizes Administration to enter into a contract with Max Steininger, Inc., to accomplish this work. Motion carried unanimously.

At the November 9, 2009, regularly scheduled meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 271, the Board approved the implementation of the Facilities Committee Recommendation to provide one artificial turf field each at Jefferson and Kennedy High Schools. The scope of the field improvements at Jefferson and Kennedy High Schools involves providing synthetic turf within the existing running tracks. The synthetic turf system is a synthetic grass-like monofilament fiber with resilient infill of sand and rubber materials and includes an 8-year warranty, maintenance equipment and annual testing. Also included in the scope of this project are soil excavation and correction, storm water management and erosion control, storm sewer modifications, new football/soccer goals and site restoration. Because the bids came in below the projected budget, Administration is selecting our first choice of turf and including the reconstruction of the shot put and high, long, and triple jump areas at Kennedy High School, and site fencing at Jefferson High School. The total budget for this project was \$2,100,000.00. The project will be funded through the use of the District's existing Alternative Facilities levy revenues and through the issuance of debt in the form of a lease loan. The District will levy for the repayment of the lease and offset (reduce) the levy for Alternative Facilities levy so that there is no tax impact. The bid specifications were reviewed by the District's legal counsel and insurance agent. Field improvements were discussed at the March 22 Study Session of the Board. The project will begin May 17th and completion is anticipated to be August 3.

Chair Sorum indicated that the School Board would be voting on three resolutions related to work and discussions that have taken place over the past several months—Dimensions Academy expansion, magnet school grants and elementary boundary proposal. Assistant Superintendent Dr. Nancy Allen-Mastro would present the initiatives, which would be followed by a public comment period, and presentation of resolutions for action by the Board. Presentations were given by Beth Anderson and Nancy Allen-Mastro. School Board members reported on visits to magnet schools and offered perspectives for consideration going forth. The Board Chair recognized persons for public comment. Judy Gruggen, Linda Batterman and Amanda Crombie spoke in support of these new opportunities for our schools/students and implementing a task force to work on the elementary school boundary project.

Dimensions
Academy
Expansion/
Elements
Program

Maureen Bartolotta moved, Tim Culver seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District No. 271 authorizes Administration to expand the Dimensions Academy and Elements programs to Oak Grove Elementary School. The Dimensions Academy and Elements programs will start to operate at Oak Gove Elementary School beginning with the 2011-2012 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

The expansion process will require the adjustment of boundaries to allow Oak Grove Elementary School to accommodate the Dimensions Academy and Elements students.

Magnet Schools
Approval

Mark Hibbs moved, Arlene Bush seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District No 271 authorizes Administration to start the process of transforming Hillcrest Community School into an Artful Learning Magnet School and Valley View Elementary School into an International Baccalaureate Magnet School. Both schools will start to operate as magnet schools beginning with the 2011-2012 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

The transformation process will include the submission of Magnet School federal grant applications and the adjustment of boundaries at Valley View and Hillcrest schools.

Elementary Facilities
Recommendation

Maureen Bartolotta moved, Arlene Bush seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District No. 271 authorizes Administration to convene a task force to implement Elementary Facilities Recommendations contained in the Planning for Success Report that the Board accepted in November 2009, including:

- Balance enrollments to current or revised elementary building capacities.
- Reduce racial isolation in some schools.
- Attempt to locate a curriculum-based early childhood program in each elementary school.
- Expand Dimensions Academy and Elements to a selected elementary site.
- Support the development of magnet schools.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Board accepted the Planning for Success Report on November 9, 2009. Acceptance of this report by the School Board did not constitute acceptance of recommendations contained in the report. Recommendations needing action by the school Board as a result of follow up by the Board was to be brought forth by separate resolutions.

Guiding principles for the task force will be developed by the School Board at upcoming study sessions scheduled for April 19 and April 26. The preliminary timeline for the task force provides for beginning in May with options presented to the Superintendent in December, recommendations presented to the School Board in January with action by the School Board in February for a September 2011 implementation.

Beth Anderson, Director of Curriculum for Elementary, is coordinating the Magnet School grants. Dr. Nancy Allen-Mastro, Assistant Superintendent, and Rick Kaufman, Executive Director of Community Relations, will co-facilitate the Elementary Neighborhood School Renewal Project Task Force.

Non Renewal of
Probationary
Teaching
Contracts

Jim Sorum moved, Maureen Bartolotta seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District No. 271 adopts a separate resolution relating to the non-renewal of the teaching contracts of probationary teachers for each of the following teachers:

Melissa Barenbaum, Jennifer Bevars, Lindsay Burque, Mark Eggers, Eileen Gilligan, Todd Hauch, Thomas Kenney, Jennifer Kollwitz, Heather Lippert, Jenelle Muri, Maria Olinger, Sara Peik, Gretchen Polkinghorne, Janet Reichert, Kristin Schulz, and Wayne Shipley.

WHEREAS, (name of individual) is a probationary teacher in Independent School District No. 271;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 271, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 122A.40, that the teaching contract of the above named probationary teacher in Independent School District No. 271, is hereby terminated at the close of the current 2009-2010 school year, June 30, 2010, and is not renewed for the 2010-2011 school year; and

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Clerk of the School Board shall issue written notice to said teacher regarding non-renewal of the teacher's contract as provided by law, and that said notice shall be substantially in the following form:

NOTICE OF TERMINATION

You are hereby notified that at a regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 271, held April 12, 2010, a resolution was adopted by a majority roll call vote giving action that your teaching contract will not be renewed effective at the end of the school year, June 30, 2010, for the 2010-2011 school year. Said action of the Board is taken pursuant to M.S. 122A.40.

You may officially request that the School Board give its reason for the non-renewal of your teaching contract. However, such request must be received within ten (10) days after the receipt of this notice.

On roll call vote, all directors voted aye.

This action as recommended is final. Any subsequent action to return probationary teachers between now and the effective date of non-renewal based on course needs, retirements or resignations will be brought to the Board as rescission of this action for individually named teachers.

VII. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Maureen Bartolotta highlighted the upcoming Senior Achievement Recognition event being held on April 15th at the Airport Hilton honoring approximately 100 students of the Class of 2010.

Jim Sorum reported that the Bloomington Public Schools earned a *Local Government Innovation Awards* from the Humphrey Institute's Public and Nonprofit Leadership Center for its long-range financial planning process—Budgeting for Success—which sought staff, parent and community input about how to ensure a sound financial future for schools. District representatives were honored April 7th at a ceremony at the Humphrey Center on the University of Minnesota campus.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Les Fujitake highlighted District activities. He expressed appreciation to the School Board for developing a good strategic plan. The recent edition of *School Pages* provided information on several action plans and initiatives being implemented in the District.

Arlene Bush moved, Maureen Bartolotta seconded, that the School Board establish a Special Board Meeting and an additional Board Study Session on Monday, April 19. The special meeting will begin at 6 p.m. followed by the Study Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Prior to the Special Meeting and Study Session on April 19th (5:30 p.m.), there will be a Technology Fair in the Oak Grove Middle School lunchroom. The fair will highlight uses of technology in the classroom with demonstrations by students and staff.

A Board Study Session is scheduled for April 26th at 6 p.m.

IX. OTHER

None.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the School Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Chuck Walter, Clerk