

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

June 24, 2013

- 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 Tim Culver at 7:00 p.m. on June 24, 2013, in the Community Room at the Educational Services Center, 1350 West 106th Street, Bloomington, Minnesota.
- Members Present Tim Culver, Chair; Mark Hibbs, Vice Chair; Dick Bergstrom, Clerk; Nelly Korman, Treasurer; Lyle Abeln, Maureen Bartolotta and Arlene Bush.
- Administration Present Les Fujitake, Chris Lennox, Rod Zivkovich, Eric Melbye, Bruce Pappas, Dave Heistad, and Rick Kaufman.
- Attorney Present David Holman.
(There are no abstentions unless otherwise stated.)
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Recited.
- III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA Maureen Bartolotta moved, Arlene Bush seconded, approval of the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
- IV. RECOGNITIONS The School Board recognized the following students, coaches and staff:
- Kennedy Girls Track & Field – Triple Jump**
Patience Yalartai placed third in State competition.
Activities/Athletics Director Kris Krenz and Coach Pete Svien highlighted the season and her accomplishments.
- Principal Kevin Groebner introduced Jefferson students and staff and highlighted the following accomplishments:
- Jefferson Boys Track & Field**
Matthew Rosen is the State Champion in the 800M Run.
Karl Olsen placed fourth in the 200M Dash.
Jordan Lovestrand placed sixth in the 300M Hurdles.
These students are coached by Jon Leverenz.
- Jefferson Boys Tennis Team - 6th Place in State**
Team members are Eric Beckers, Jacob Bratton, Tristan Fjelstad, John Gardner, Peter Gardner, Timothy Larson, Michael McCabe, Andrew McNutt, Matthew McNutt, Nickolas Nieting, Joseph Punnoose, Joshua Punnoose and Jonah Punnoose.

Jefferson Boys Tennis Doubles

Timothy Larson and Matthew McNutt placed third in State.
Jonah Punnoose and Joshua Punnoose placed fifth in State.

The Jefferson Boys Tennis Team is coached by Nick Hupton.

Jefferson Girls Softball Team - 5th Place in State

Team members are Linnea Carlyle, Emily Carr, Karmann Carroll, Kate Deming, Hannah Evavold, Kendal Fasching, Kelsey Faulise, Krista Flugstad, Lauren Gustafson, Mackenzie Houston, Kylie Macziewski, Alexandra O'Connor, Laura Okonek, Bailey Plaman, Cassandra Santiago, Michaela Schmidt, Natalie Schmidt, and Claire Woebke. Student Managers are Rachel Evavold and Natalie Miller. The Head Coach is Fred Wroge.

Jefferson Speech & Debate

Michael Blazanin qualified for the National Tournament in Congressional Debate. The competition is being held in Orlando, Florida. Scott Sieling is the coach.

Principal

Assistant Superintendent Chris Lennox introduced Jeremy Kuhns, the new principal of Olson Middle School. Mr. Kuhns has been in the District since 1999. He was a sixth grade teacher and then the Dean of Students at Oak Grove Middle School. Since 2006, he has been the Assistant Principal at Olson Middle School.

Friends

The District is fortunate to have businesses and organizations support our learners and the community of Bloomington. In appreciation of these collaborations efforts, the School Board recognizes "Friends" of education.

Latino Parent Association

The Latino Parent Association held its first meeting on Monday night, March 26, 2012, at Valley View Middle School. Forty Latino parents gathered in the cafeteria for the first Latino Parent Association (LPA), the only one in Minnesota and possibly the country at that time. Its mission states, "The LPA is a group of Latino parents focused on the success of their students. Its mission is to work along with the schools to elevate the quality of education for the future Latino generations, promoting understanding, communication and respect among the different cultures."

Telma Feight and Jesus Lara, Co-Presidents, presented information regarding the association and its collaborative efforts with the school district.

V. PART A

1. *Board Business*

Minutes

a. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the School Board on June 10, 2013.

Personnel Items

b. Licensed Personnel: Resignation, Rescission of Licensed Personnel Employment, Employments. Independent Personnel: Position Elimination. Classified Personnel: Retirement, Resignations, Employments, Changes of Status.

Non-Resident Student Agreements

c. Non-Resident Student Attendance Agreements 2012-2013: One student entering Bloomington Public Schools and one student leaving. Non-Resident Student Attendance Agreements 2013-2014: Students entering Bloomington Public Schools total 15 and 3 students leaving.

2. *Contracts/Agreements*

VPSC Annual Plan

RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Annual Plan Agreement for the Voluntary Public School Choice (VPSC) Post-secondary Options Initiative. (Effective July 1-31, 2013.)

3. *Finance*

Donations

a. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 accepts donations, as indicated in the background, in the amount of \$7,589.89.

Finance Reports

b. Statement of Revenues and Statement of Expenditures for May 2013.

Receipts/ Disbursements

c. Receipts and Disbursements as submitted.

Arlene Bush moved, Maureen Bartolotta 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

Policy 506.1

Mark Hibbs moved, Maureen Bartolotta seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the first reading of new Policy 506.1 Bullying Prevention. Motion carried unanimously.

Eric Melbye, Executive Director of Student Services, has provided the leadership for the bullying prevention policy, which has been developed with input from District staff, parents, community members and Julie Hertzog, Executive Director of PACER Center's National Bullying Prevention Center and Co-Chair of Governor Dayton's Bullying Prevention Task Force in 2012. Our current bullying prevention language is embedded within our student discipline policy (Policy 506). This new policy is intended to give the important subject of Bullying Prevention its own stand-alone policy. Bruce Pappas, Executive Director of Human Resources, also is a resource as this policy is related to other District policies. Four focus areas of the policy include the definition, the prevention system, investigation procedure and dissemination and training.

Board discussion addressed cyber-bullying during/after school hours scenarios and a suggestion of language clarification regarding a student who witnesses an act of bullying.

District Insurance
Vendors & Rates
2013-2014

Maureen Bartolotta moved, Arlene Bush seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the vendors and rates for the 12-month period from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014, per the attached Memo (on file).

1. SFM Insurance Group – Workers Compensation Insurance Policy
2. Kraus-Anderson Insurance – COMPTROL Workers Compensation Claims Management and Loss Prevention Program
3. Markel Insurance Company – Blanket Accident Policy - Special Risk for Registered Volunteer Workers
4. Westchester Fire Insurance Company – Fiduciary Liability for Self-Funded Health Insurance Plan
5. Hartford Fire Insurance Company – ERISA Bond
6. ING – Critical Illness/Cancer Insurance

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271, per its organizational meeting of January 14, 2013, authorizes the Superintendent, or his designee, to execute documents within the authorized budget as appropriate to the daily operations of the school district. Motion carried unanimously.

On March 18, 2013, the Board approved a motion for vendors and rates for District group insurance. This is Part 2, which includes Workers Compensation (including Claims Management and Loss Prevention Program), Volunteer Workers, Fiduciary Liability, ERISA Bond, and Critical Illness/Cancer (new). This Board motion follows an effort in 2012 in the Office of Human Resources to consolidate Board motions regarding District insurance. The attached Memo (on file) provides the specifics of the recommended resolution, as well as significant background information. Bruce Pappas and Brad Parker, Co-Chairs of the Labor Management Committee (LMC), presented the information to the Board. Mark Hibbs and Maureen Bartolotta are the Board representatives to LMC.

Committed Fund
Balance Categories
2012-2013

Dick Bergstrom moved, Arlene Bush seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the following Committed Fund Balance Categories for the 2012-13 fiscal year:

1. Worker's Compensation Insurance
2. Third Party Medical Assistance
3. Wellness Dollars
4. Band Uniform and Instrument Replacement
5. Operating Referendum
6. Transportation
7. Transportation Building
8. Transportation Bus Purchases
9. Severance Insurance

10. Technology Replacement
11. Energy Savings
12. Security Systems
13. Staff Development
14. Athletics and Activities

Motion carried unanimously.

To conform to new Governmental Accounting Standard Board (GASB) Statement 54 and Policy 701.3, we are asking the School Board to approve the following Committed Fund Balance Categories. The actual dollar amounts for each category will be presented to the School Board for approval after completion of the 2012-13 fiscal year audit.

Budget Adoption
2013-2014

Dick Bergstrom moved, Maureen Bartolotta seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the proposed 2013-2014 revenue and expenditure budgets for all funds. Motion carried unanimously.

There are four major budget areas:

1. Capital and Deferred Maintenance:
Operating Capital, Health and Safety, Alternative Facilities, Construction, Capital Projects (Technology)
2. Debt Service
3. Insurance and Internal Services:
Self Insured Health and Dental, OPEB Trust and Debt, Internal Service
4. Operating Funds:
Food Service, Transportation, Community Services, General Fund

The rationale and justification for the proposed budgets were discussed in detail at the May 28, and June 17, 2013 Board Study Sessions. (Worksheet on file reflecting the total budget by fund.)

VII. BOARD MEMBER
REPORTS

Arlene Bush reported on the last meeting of the Metropolitan Learning Alliance (MLA) Board of Trustees. The MLA school districts are Bloomington, Minneapolis, Richfield and St. Paul. The MLA will be closing effective June 30, 2013. Arlene Bush and Les Fujitake expressed appreciation to the Mall of America and MLA Director Sue Bunting. Chair Culver thanked Arlene Bush for her service on the MLA Board; she was the first, and only Chair.

Dick Bergstrom is the Chair of the Board's Superintendent Evaluation Committee. Dick Bergstrom, moved, Maureen Bartolotta seconded, to establish a closed session of the School Board at 6 p.m. on July 22 for the purpose of Superintendent evaluation for 2012-2013. Motion carried unanimously.

Tim Culver reported on AMSD Executive Committee activities, which included the evaluation of the Director. He indicated that AMSD recognizes people as leaders for issues in the state, generally those recognized are legislators. A nomination list was put together by the Executive Committee. To date, no determination has been made. The Executive Committee received the final report on legislative activities as they relate to AMSD goals. Mr. Culver's term on the Executive Committee expires on July 1, 2013.

Along with Tim Culver, Dick Bergstrom and Nelly Korman recently attended a workshop at which AMSD presented information on the 2013 legislative session.

Mark Hibbs reported that he and Nelly Korman hosted a meeting on June 18 for potential School Board candidates. Three (3) people were in attendance. Potential candidates may obtain the handouts from that meeting by contacting the Superintendent's Office.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Les Fujitake and the Board Chair have discussed and recommend canceling the July 8 School Board meeting. So moved by Tim Culver, seconded Maureen Bartolotta. Motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting of the School Board will be July 22.

IX. OTHER

None.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the School Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. A study session followed the meeting.

Dick Bergstrom, Clerk