

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

September 24, 2018

- I. ROLL CALL Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, and there being a quorum present, the School Board of Independent School District 271, was called to order by Chair Dawn Steigauf at 7:00 p.m. on September 24, 2018, in the Arlene Bush Board Room at the Educational Services Center, 1350 West 106th Street, Bloomington, Minnesota.
- Members Present Dawn Steigauf, Chair; Nelly Korman, Vice Chair; Maureen Bartolotta, Clerk; Dick Bergstrom, Treasurer; Beth Beebe, Tom Bennett and Jim Sorum.
- Administration Present Les Fujitake, Eric Melbye, John Weisser, Rod Zivkovich, and Rick Kaufman.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Recited.
- III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA Dick Bergstrom moved, Maureen Bartolotta seconded, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
- IV. RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS/STAFF/PUBLIC Student Representatives on the School Board began in 2016-2017. Tom Bennett introduced the 2018-2019 student representatives to the School Board—Jackson Domagala, a Jefferson senior, is serving his second year. Ally Starks, a Kennedy junior, is serving her first year. Each student shared a brief biography including why they wanted to serve in this capacity.
- Student School Board Representatives
- Oath of Office District Legal Counsel David Holman administered the Oath of Office to Ally Starks, the new Student Representative to the School Board.
- Student representatives will attend School Board meetings on the fourth Monday of each month and participate in discussion of Board meeting agenda items. Student representatives on the School Board are non-voting members. The student representatives will give reports about school activities. Also, as student representatives to the School Board, Jackson Domagala and Ally Starks will co-lead meetings of the high school representatives of the Board Student Advisory Council. Currently, the co-leaders have scheduled monthly meetings for the high school representatives.
- Indigenous Peoples Day Proclamation Nelly Korman moved, Dick Bergstrom seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the attached proclamation (on file) declaring October 8, 2018, as *Indigenous Peoples Day* in the Bloomington Public Schools. Motion carried unanimously.
- Indigenous Peoples Day, also known as Native American Day, celebrates and honors the Indigenous Peoples of North America. On October 7, 2016, Governor Mark Dayton proclaimed the second Monday of October as Indigenous Peoples Day for the State of Minnesota.

Accepting the proclamation was Samantha Wilson, seventh grade student at Olson Middle School, who expressed appreciation for this recognition. Samantha was accompanied by Laura Wilson, her mother and co-chair of the American Indian Parent Advisory Committee.

ACT Perfect Scores

Jaysen Anderson, Jefferson High School Principal, congratulated Jillayne Clarke and Emily Wammer for earning a perfect score of 36 on the ACT test. Mr. Anderson shared that this is the highest distinction in that only 1% of all students in the United States achieve this honor.

American Geography Society Teaching Fellow

Principal Jaysen Anderson congratulated Jefferson High School Social Studies Teacher Sarah Dahl-Wyland who has been named a 2018 American Geography Society Teacher Fellow. She is one of 50 teachers selected from across the country. She will attend a symposium entitled "Geography 2050: Powering Our Future Planet," at Columbia University in New York City. Teacher Fellows will be presented with cutting-edge knowledge and awareness of the real-world geographic workplace skills demanded by today's companies.

Friends

Redemption Lutheran Church – The *JumpStart2School* community event was held on August 8 at Redemption Lutheran Church. The event provided free school supplies from VEAP to Bloomington families as well as access to the Shoebus, immunizations, sports physicals and information on resources to help families. The event also includes a community dinner and a variety of fun activities for families and children. The VEAP collection of school supplies was distributed through this event. Other event participants included The Sheridan Story, Upworks, St. Michaels Lutheran Church, the City of Bloomington and Cowboy Jacks. Appreciation was expressed to Reverend Sol Grosskopf who shared the excitement of hosting this community event with all of the organizations involved; 925 students and their families were served. A special thank you was extended to Mark Borchardt, Facilities Manager at Redemption Lutheran Church, for his assistance with this event.

Companies to Classrooms – Is a not-for-profit organization that provides a way for local businesses to support education in their community by donating excess supplies and inventories for use in Bloomington Public Schools as well as public, private and parochial schools in Bloomington, Richfield, Shakopee, Robbinsdale, Brooklyn Center, Hopkins, St Louis Park, Edina and Eden Prairie. Founded twelve years ago by Cary Weatherby, Companies to Classrooms will be closing its doors on September 30 due to increased expenditures. Over \$1 million in school supplies have been distributed. On behalf of the School Board and the District, appreciation was expressed to Ms. Weatherby for her hard work and commitment to supporting our staff and students throughout those years.

Student School Board Representative Reports

Jackson Domagala shared Jefferson activities and highlights: new flex furniture, update of classrooms, cafeteria, flag hall; JHS Athletic Hall of Fame had seven new inductees, online classes off to a good start, 16 seniors named national merit semifinalists, Jefferson open house is now rescheduled, Jefferson Theater is presenting "Mousetrap," next week is spirit week as part of homecoming activities. The Board Student Advisory Committee met today and outlined projects to unite the two schools.

Ally Starks shared Kennedy activities and highlights: this year focus is on the Career and College Center—a four-year college is not a plan for all students; Academic Lettering ceremony was held, the blood drive is October 5, this is a week of activities leading up to homecoming when the Eagles meet the Jaguars, theme for the homecoming dance is “Let’s Glow Crazy,” all conference for choir, band and orchestra is tomorrow, spotlight for the week is Jillian Ziebol is the first female to score points for the Kennedy football team.

Public

Three students from Mr. Storlien’s classes at Jefferson attended the meeting fulfilling a requirement of our 12th grade government classes; observing a governmental meeting such as School Board, City Council, court proceedings.

V. PART A

1. *Board Business*
Minutes

- a. Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting held September 10, 2018.
- b. Licensed Personnel: Employments, Changes of Status, Long Call Reserve Correction. Classified Personnel: Resignations, Employments, Changes of Status.

Personnel Actions

2. *Field Trip*

RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the field trip per the attached list (on file).

3. *Grant*

RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 accepts a \$25,000 grant from the Walser Foundation to support the Bloomington Career and College Academy program. The grant period is for the 2018-2019 school year.

4. *Contracts/Agreements*

Insurance Renewals

- a. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271, for the period October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019, renews our District’s insurance:
 - 1) Commercial Property and Casualty Insurance including Auto and Umbrella policies with WRM America Insurance Company. Annual premium = \$357,232
 - 2) Educators Errors and Omissions and Employment Practices Liability policy with Stratford Insurance Company. Annual premium = \$39,139
 - 3) Equipment Breakdown Coverage with Travelers Property Casualty Company of America. Annual premium = \$12,386
 - 4) Employee Fidelity Coverage with National Union Fire Insurance Company. Annual premium = \$12,300
 - 5) Storage Tank Impairment Liability policy with Admiral Insurance Company. Annual premium = \$9,530
 - 6) Identity Fraud Expense Coverage with Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America. Annual premium = \$5,895
 - 7) Cyber Risk Coverage with Beazley Insurance Company, Inc. Annual premium = \$21,120

- Headway Mental Health Services 2018-2019
 - b. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves a contract with Headway Emotional Health Services to provide family community support and mental health services to students enrolled in special education identified as seriously emotionally disturbed and their families as defined in MS 245.4871, subdivision 6. This contract is for the period of August 27, 2018 through June 14, 2019.
- Headway Facilities & Ancillary Support 2018-2019
 - c. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves a contract with Headway Emotional Health Services to provide facilities, ancillary support and collaborative services to Bloomington Public Schools. This contract is for the period of August 27, 2018 through June 14, 2019.
- Os Hockey JHS Girls Hockey 2018-2019
 - d. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves a contract with Os Hockey, Inc. for Jefferson High School for the 2018-2019 girls hockey season.
- Waters Edge Counseling & Healing Center
 - e. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 1271 approves the agreement with Water's Edge Counseling and Healing Center to provide services at Jefferson High School, Olson Middle School, and Indian Mounds Elementary School for the 2018-2019 school year.

4. *Finance*
Donations

Finance Reports

Receipts/ &
Disbursements

- a. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 accepts donations, as indicated in the background, in the amount of \$3,750.00.
- b. Statement of Revenues and Statement of Expenditures for the months of July and August 2018.
- c. Receipts and Disbursements as submitted for August 2018.

Dick Bergstrom 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
Proposed 2018
Pay 2019 Property
Tax Levy

Maureen Bartolotta moved, Dick Bergstrom seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the property tax levy for the proposed 2018 payable 2019 levy of \$59,581,969. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in the event of any changes to levy amounts by the Minnesota Department of Education, it is the intent of the School Board of Independent School District 271 to levy the appropriate amount as allowed by law. The state requires that districts use the term "Maximum" on the certification sheet to allow these corrections to the levy. Motion carried unanimously.

PROPOSED 2018 PAYABLE 2019 LEVIES

Referendum	\$19,721,479
Referendum Other	8,916,694
Debt Services	10,683,804
Community Services	1,955,532
Other	18,304,460
Proposed Certified Levy	<u>\$59,581,969</u>

	Pay 2018	Pay 2019	Diff Pay 18 to Pay 19	%
Operating Referendum	\$27,400,972	\$28,638,173	\$1,237,201	4.5%
Non Referendum	\$29,600,592	\$30,943,796	\$1,343,205	4.5%
Total	\$57,001,564	\$59,581,968	\$2,580,406	4.5%

Annually, the School Board is required to certify a preliminary levy. This year, the District is required to submit this certified preliminary levy information to the County by September 30, 2018. This certified preliminary levy information will be used by the County to generate property tax notices that show parcel specific tax impact for each taxpayer in our district for the coming year. These notices will be mailed in November 2018. The final levy will be certified by the School Board on December 10, 2018. This final certified levy information will be used by the County to calculate actual property taxes payable in 2019.

Next Technologies for Learning Update

John Weisser, Executive Director of Technology and Information Services; Katrina Mezera, Digital Learning & Data Manager; along with Holly Skadsem and Karen Qualey, Digital Learning Coordinators; updated the School Board on Next Technologies for Learning (NTL) work. NTL focuses on digital content, anytime/anywhere learning and personalized data to support students along their pathway to career and college readiness. The 2013 Referendum supported safe and innovative schools. Ongoing NTL work includes 1:1 devices, internet access, The Hub, flex and student centered cohorts and flex spaces. Focuses for 2018-2019 include *Balanced Tech Choices*—helping students, staff and families minimize the negative and maximize the positive impacts of technology; belief there is value in the balanced use of technology in the classroom and beyond; teaching students healthy tech habits and encouraging self-assessment of tech use; helping staff use a balanced approach to technology while providing student centered learning opportunities; helping families make informed choice about technology at home. *Teacher Support*—focus of existing building Media and Technology Integration Teams, collaborating with coaches from other areas, two district wide TOSAs (Teachers on Special Assignment) and five schools piloting FTEs added for Teacher Support roles. *Online Learning* in Bloomington Public Schools presents a dynamic, interactive, flexible learning opportunity to meet the diverse needs of all of our students. Last year, 11 courses were designed. This year, there are 60 sections of online courses and 10 new courses will be designed. Next year, projected growth includes more class sections and designing 6-10 new courses. Student Board representatives commented about the value of the online courses. The team answered Board member questions related to success of one to one devices, training for teachers, weekend homework/chromebook availability, availability of internet access for everyone, support available for new students or English learners.

VII. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

School Board members reported on various meetings and activities. Dick Bergstrom attended the open house for Cedar School in Intermediate School District 917, which serves special education programs; attended the Academic Lettering ceremony at Kennedy High School that included 323 students with a 3.5 GPA, and he thanked the schools' students, staff and parents for their efforts and support for Heritage Days parade. Beth Beebe and Maureen Bartolotta attended the MSBA Advocacy Tour. Ms. Beebe indicated priorities for excess funds are increased funding for special education, mental health services and early childhood; she will be attending a legislative committee hearing tomorrow. She attended an Olson Elementary PTA meeting and a 9th grade volleyball game and highlighted the Jefferson High School Athletics Hall of Fame Induction on Friday night. Tom Bennett attended meetings of the Valley View Middle School (VVMS) and Ridgeview Elementary School PTAs, Back to School Night at VVMS, a meeting of the VVMS Gay Straight Alliance Club, and highlighted tonight's first meeting of the high school representatives of the Board Student Advisory Council. Dawn Steigauf attended PTA meetings at Westwood and Poplar Bridge, the PTSA Council meeting, a Special Education Advisory Committee meeting, the Office of Educational Equity picnic, and highlighted the School Board handing out books at the Heritage Days Parade.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

School Board Professional Development Sessions for equity conversations have been scheduled for 2018-2019.

Tom Bennett moved, Maureen Bartolotta seconded, to establish the following dates for professional development sessions to be held 5:30-6:45 pm at ESC in Room 601 on October 8, 2018; January 14, 2019; March 11, 2019; and May 13, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

The new Pathways to Career and College infographic is being displayed in our schools. It is produced in three languages—English, Spanish and Somali.

IX. OTHER

None.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the School Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Maureen Bartolotta, Clerk