March 3, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the School Board, Independent School District No. 701, was called to order at 3:30 P.M. on March 3, 2021, in the High School Board Room. Members present: Directors McLaughlin, Nyberg, Martin, Polcher, Egan and Chair Berklich.

Members Absent: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVE AGENDA

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Egan to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

# APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director McLaughlin and approved unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda for the Month of February, 2021 which consists of the Minutes from the February 3 and 17, 2021 Regular Meetings. Postings or transfers in the Non-Certified Bargaining Unit for the month of February.

1. Approve posting of Job #60 (4) Pupil Support Assistant, 30 hours per week, High School, effective February 8, 2021.

2. Approve the transfer of Gina Hill to Job #60 Pupil Support Assistant, 30 hours per week, High School, effective February 22, 2021.

3. Approve the transfer of Nicole Nadeau to Job #60 Pupil Support Assistant, 30 hours per week, High School, effective February 22, 2021.

**Public Comment:** None

**Public Hearing on Washington Early Childhood and Family Education**

**(ECFE) Project was held.**

**Old Business:** None

**Personnel:**

ACCEPT THE RESIGNTION OF MOLLY MCKENZIE, HEAD JV SOFTBALL COACH

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Nyberg to accept the resignation of Molly McKenzie, head JV Softball coach, effective February 23, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION FOR PURPOSES OF RETIREMENT FROM SCOTT JACKSON

Moved by Director Martin, supported by Director Nyberg to accept the resignation for purposes of retirement from Scott Jackson, Math Teacher, High School, effective June 4, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION FOR PURPOSES OF RETIREMENT FROM BRYAN RIDGEWAY

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Martin to accept the resignation for purposes of retirement from Bryan Ridgeway, School Psychologist, Districtwide, effective June 15, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE THE REQUEST BY MANDY GHERARDI FOR UNPAID EMERGENCY LEAVE, PURSUANT TO THE NON-CERTIFIED MASTER AGREEMENT BEGINNING MARCH 1, 2021 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2021

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Martin to approve the request by Mandy Gherardi for unpaid Emergency Leave, pursuant to the Non-Certified Master Agreement beginning March 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

**Administrative Reports:**

**Directors / Student Director:**

Director McLaughlin participated in a zoom meeting on 2/18/21 for AAUW

and Mary Cathryn Ricker Commissioner of Education spoke during this

meeting.

Director McLaughlin and Director Martin are finishing up Officer MSBA

training.

Student Representatives Abby Thein and Jacqui McDannold were not in attendance. Mr. Aldrich shared an update on their behalf regarding Jacket Jamboree candidates and the pep fest will be held Monday, March 8, 2021 and Coronation is on Wednesday, March 10, 2021 at 1 PM under Covid guidelines. These events will be live streamed.

**Principals / Assistant Principals:**

**Committee Report:**

**COVID Updates:**

Superintendent Aldrich gave an update on Covid-19: The Bi-weekly number

next week will be 13.9 down 4 points. As of March 4, 2021, every staff

person serving the district has been offered the vaccine. The school district’s

goal is to be fully in person until the end of the year.

**Administrative Business:**

ADOPT RESOLUTION REGARDING THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF PARTICIPATION AS TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Nyberg to adopt resolution regarding the issuance of certificates of participation as tax-exempt obligations. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE CHANGE ORDER WITH MAX GRAY CONSTRUCTION REDUCING THE CONTRACT BY $589,971 FOR THE WASHINGTON ECFE PROJECT

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Polcher to approve change order with Max Gray Construction reducing the contract by $589,971 for the Washington ECFE Project. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPT RESOLUTION REGARDING THE DYLAN MONUMENT AGREEMENT AT THE HIBBING HIGH SCHOOL

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Nyberg to adopt resolution regarding the Dylan Monument Agreement at the Hibbing High School. Motion passes 5-1 with Director Martin voting against.

APPROVE THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Martin to approve the 2021-2022 school calendar. Motion passes 5-1 with Director Nyberg voting against.

ACCEPT THE AMERICAN INDIAN EDCUATION AIPAC AND DISTRICT COMPLIANCE DOCUMENTATION AND RESOLUTION OF CONCURRENCE AS PRESENTED

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Martin to accept the American Indian Education AIPAC and District Compliance Documentation and Resolution of Concurrence as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Discussion Items:**

ADJOURN

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Chair Berklich to adjourn the meeting at 4:30 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

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JOHN BERKLICH, Chair

ATTEST:

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MARJORIE MARTIN, CLERK