# Minutes SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Albany Area Schools – ISD #745 April 1, 2015

# **1.CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Winkels at 7:00 p.m. absent.

# 2.ROLL CALL

Present: Winkels, Hansen, Gersch, Dirkes, Kreuzer, McLachlan

Student Representatives: Silvers, Hartwig, Rieland

Late: Seiler (and left early) Absent: none

# 3. Agenda- Additions or Deletions

• Addition: 9.5: New Business: Resolution Proposing to Place on Unrequested Leave of Absence

• Addition: 9.6 Resolution Relating to the Termination and Non-renewal of the Teaching Contracts of probationary teachers.

# **4.0 Public Forum**

No requests

# 5.0 Approvals

**5.1 Previous Meeting Minutes** Motion by Kreuzer, seconded by Gersch to approve the prior minutes from the March 4, 2015 regular meeting and March 18, 2015 work session.

Revision requested to the bullying language: 73% indicated that bullying is not a problem. (typo in original minutes).

Supported by all present

# 5.2 Cash Flow Report and Budget to Actual

Motion by Gersch, seconded by Dirkes to approve the February Cash Flow Report.

Supported by all present

# 6. Consent Agenda

LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE: Stephanie Loecken, for Rachel Von Wahlde

**AESP:** Kathy Schmitt, add shift differential

Extra Curricular/Community Education/Additional Services: Brianna Herdering, Aquatics

Kids Company: Valerie Parker

Severance Request: Barbara Fischer, per provisions of Albany Federation of Teachers 2013-2015 Master

Agreement, Article VIII Section 2 and Section 3

Resignations/Retirement: Barbara Fischer, effective June 3, 2015

Caleb Watson, Head Wrestling Coach effective March 21, 2015

Joseph Kinzer, English effective March 25, 2015 Kari Ebnet, Kids Co effective April 3, 2015

# **Donations:**

\$ 500.00 James J. Glatzmaier, Don Brever Scholarship-R#-51206

50.00 Anonymous, Family Outreach-R#51236

350.00 St Martin Lions, Scholarship-R#51236

1,363.24 Kids Vote MN, Kids Vote Project-R#51236

1,000.00 Albany Lions, Clay Target League-R#51262

283.90 Hartwig Trucking, bus to Girls' BB game-R#51267

1,000.00 WDR Properties LLC, Boys Basketball-R#51274

200.00 Stearns Bank, BBB State Tournament-R#51283

500.00 Blattner Family Council, Clay Target League-R#51283

5,335.99 Huskie Booster Club, Hits Shorts and VB standard-R#51295

500.00 DeZURIK, Robotics-R#51315

250.00 Cross-Country Student Activity, Uniforms-R#51325 500.00 Volleyball Student Activity, Volleyball Uprights-R#51325

# **Expenditures:**

The following checks were issued in paying claims: Wire transfers and checks 83318-83533

01 General Fund \$801,019.64 02 Food Services \$64,469.64 04 Community Services \$26,447.55 08 Scholarships \$100.00

Motion by Hansen, seconded by Kreuzer to approve the consent agenda.

Supported by all present

# 7. Education Report

# 7.1 Student Representative Report

- Economics Challenge took place in Amdahl's Class. It has been very successful
- Student Council did a student swap with Rocori Schools to experience each school. Both districts had good suggestions.
- Easter Egg hunt was held with 225 participants
- The High School Students have a group that will go to the Nursing Home to visit with Residents prior to Easter
- New Posters were presented to the board for student activities.

# 7.2 Purple Pride

- The Jazz Dinner will take place on 4/10/15 as a fund raiser and to feature our students
- Jazz Band will also perform in the next couple of weeks
- Little Shop of Horrors, drama department production will take place in April
- Rachel VonWahlde, teacher at ALE has been working with students on the "Trash 2 Cash" program" raising money by recycling. Students are reminded of the importance of recycling and are earning extra money for their school.
- The Boys Basketball Team Represented our school well at state. Many of community members and students attended. Thank you.
- The Father-Daughter dance was well attended with 120 participants.
- An All School Reunion is being planned at the time of Heritage Days.

# 8. Unfinished Business

# 8.1 2015-2016 School Calendar

Informational update: No Action needed to be taken.

# 8.2 Facilities

Discussions took place to discuss different options for an upcoming referendum. The pool option
was discussed extensively. Operating funds and facility costs were discussed as a part of the
potential project. Discussions took place as to what our students and community needs in
regard to our space deficiency.

# 8.3 Ehlers Financial

- Presentation by Ehlers that spoke about the potential tax impact of a levy on residents, commercial businesses and agricultural businesses at various levels without matching grants reducing the total taxpayer liability.
- The timeline was discussed with an August 11, 2015 vote. Deadlines were discussed with a potential special meeting in April or the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting in May. The MN Department of Education needs to approve the upcoming referendum. Curriculum needs of the District were discussed. A special work session will be held to further discuss the District options.

# **8.4 Integration Grant**

• The District will need to move the focus of the program to reading goals to follow the guidelines of the Integration Grant Program.

#### 9. New Business

# 9.1 Identified Official with Authority for MDE

Motion by Hansen second by Gersch, to approve Superintendent Johnson as the identified official with authority to access MDE secure websites and give responsibility and assigning duties within the reporting system.

Supported by all present

# 9.2 Resolution to assign duties of the Board Clerk and Treasurer

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes §123B.14, Subd.1, empowers the School Board to combine the duties of the office of Clerk and Treasurer of the Board in one person in the Office of Business Affairs of the School District.

WHEREAS, the School District has decided to combine the duties of the Clerk and Treasurer in one person in the Office of Business Affairs.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Business Manager of the School District is designated by the School Board of Independent School District No. 745 to perform the duties of Clerk and Treasurer of the District.

Moved by: Hansen Seconded by: Gersch

The following voted in favor: Kreuzer, McLaughlin, Hansen, Gersch, Winkles, Dirkes (Seiler absent).

The following voted against: none

WHEREUPON the resolution was declared adopted.

# 9.3 Health Care Update

• Sue Clemen (Business Manager) explained the effects of changes in Affordable Health Care.

# 9.4 Special Meeting in April

Motion by Member Hansen, seconded by Kreuzer to approve a Special Board Meeting on April 15, 2015 at 6pm for further facility discussions.

Supported by all present

# 9.5 Resolution Proposing to Place Staff on Unrequested Leave of Absence

**RESOLUTION PROPOSING TO PLACE** 

Kristy Yurczyk, Nancy Trehey, Julie Kost, and Laurie Hommerding
ON UNREQUESTED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 745, as follows:

- 1. That it is proposed that Kristy Yurczyk, Julie Kost, Nancy Trehey, Laurie Hommerding teachers of said school district, be placed on unrequested leave of absence without pay or fringe benefits, effective at the end of the 2014 2015 school year on June 30, 2015, pursuant to M.S. 122A.40, subdivision 11\*.
- 2. That written notice be sent to said teachers regarding the proposed placement on unrequested leave of absence without pay or fringe benefits as provided by law and said notice shall include a date for hearing if requested.

Member Kruezer entered the motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution and the resolution was duly seconded by Member Gersch and upon the vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Hansen, Dirkes, Kruezer, Gersch, Winkels, McLachlan

Absent: Seiler

# And the following voted against the same: None Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

# 9.6. Resolution Relating to the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teaching Contracts

Motion to approve the resolution by Hansen, seconded by Gersch.

Roll call vote taken and approved by all present (Seiler absent).

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE TERMINATION AND NONRENEWAL OF THE TEACHING CONTRACTS OF THESE PROBRATIONARY TEACHERS:

WHEREAS, Angela Haynes, Rachel Vollbrecht, Douglas Wolford, Kevin Brennan, Maury Meyer, James Umhoefer

are probationary teachers in Independent School District No. 745

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 745, that pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 122A.40, Subdivision 5, that the teaching contracts of Angela Haynes, Rachel Vollbrecht, Douglas Wolford, Kevin Brennan, Maury Meyer, James Umhoefer, probationary teachers in Independent School District No.745, are hereby terminated at the close of the current 2014 - 2015 school year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that written notice be sent to said teachers regarding termination and non-renewal of his/her contract as provided by law.

Member Hansen entered the motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution and the resolution was duly seconded by Member Gersch and upon the vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Hansen, Dirkes, Kruezer, Gersch, Winkels, McLachlan Absent: Seiler

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

# **10. Board Committee Reports**

Minutes attached to Board Book

# 10.1 Community Education Advisory

# 11. Superintendent's Report

# 11.1 2015 Tax Capacity Rates

# 11.2 Process to Hire Avon Elementary Principal

• The hiring process was discussed with input from the board. Looking for a recommendation at the May 6, 2015 board meeting in St. Martin.

# 11.3 Early Childhood Shuttle

• Three sections of Early Childhood will not be able to be offered at our current facilities because of space. These classes will be allocated to St. Benedicts. There may be a shuttle offered to help move the pre-school children back to Albany and help provide transportation for our students.

# 11.4 Central Minnesota Credit Union Financing Option for Businesses and Residents:

 The Central Minnesota Credit Union has offered a special financing opportunity for our local businesses and residents. CMCU will provide financing options for an amount up to \$50,000 for the purpose of the matching grant for the District facilities plan. Members of the Board and administration are appreciative of this offer.

# 12. Adjournment

Agenda completed at 9:35pm, a motion to adjourn was made by Kreuzer, seconded by Gersch. Supported by all present

Dean Dirkes, Clerk	
Greg Johnson, Superintendent	