

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2711
MESABI EAST SCHOOLS
AURORA, MN 55705**

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
May 4, 2020
Video Conferencing**

CALL TO ORDER: The Regular Board Meeting was called to order by Chair Walt Hautala at 5:30 p.m. on May 4, 2020 by Video Conferencing, with the following in answer to roll call.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Directors Amanda Gross, Robert Hill, Walter Hautala, Cyndi Worshek, Gene Maki, Kathy Undeland

Absent: None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA APPROVAL: Moved by Director Undeland seconded by Director Worshek to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Director Hill, Director Hautala, Director Worshek, Director Maki, Director Undeland, Director Gross

Nays: None --- Motion passed.

DISTRICT PATRON AND VISITOR COMMENTS: None.

Consent Agenda: Moved by Director Gross, seconded by Director Maki to approve the consent agenda as presented: Computer checks, Payroll and Hand Payables in the amount of \$1,127,536.52; Regular Board Meeting Minutes of March 30, 2020 and Special Board Meeting Minutes of April 20, 2020.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Director Hautala, Director Worshek, Director Maki, Director Undeland, Director Gross, Director Hill

Nays: None --- Motion passed.

Tentative 2020-2021 School Calendar: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Hill to approve the tentative 2020-2021 School Calendar as presented.

Ayes: Director Worshek, Director Maki, Director Undeland, Director Gross, Director Hill, Director Hautala

Nays: None --- Motion passes.

District Reserve Licensure Positions: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Hautala to approve Stacey Jaspersen to use District Reserve Licensure funds to pursue Licensure in Family and Consumer Science and Heather Seppala to use District Reserve Licensure to pursue Licensure in Early Childhood Parent Education.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Director Maki, Director Undeland, Director Gross, Director Hill, Director Hautala, Director Worshek,

Nays: None – Motion passed.

Special Education Paraprofessional Hire: Moved by Director Hill, seconded by Director Gross to approve Keiza Besemann as Special Education Paraprofessional, up to 29 hours per week, Step 0, effective April 6, 2020.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Director Undeland, Director Gross, Director Hill, Director Hautala, Director Worshek, Director Maki,
Nayes: None – Motion passed

FTE Increase: Moved by Director Hautala, seconded by Director Undeland to approve an increase in FTE from 1.0 to 1.17 FTE for Bobby Jo Mineheine effective January 3, 2020, MA + 12, Step 13.

Roll call:

Ayes: Director Gross, Director Hill, Director Hautala, Director Worshek, Director Maki, Director Undeland
Nayes: None – Motion passed.

Revocation of License for Certificates of Title (Property Requirement): Moved by Director Maki, seconded by Director Hill that ISD #2711 does hereby revoke that certain license dated July 12, 1930 made by Canton Iron Company, as licensor, to St. James Mining Company.

Roll call:

Ayes: Director Hill, Director Hautala, Director Worshek, Director Maki, Director Undeland, Director Gross
Nayes: None – Motion passed

Summer Band Proposal: Moved by Director Worshek, seconded by Director Undeland to accept the summer band proposal submitted in the amount of \$2,500 for the 2020 beginning band summer lessons.

Roll call:

Ayes: Director Hautala, Director Worshek, Director Maki, Director Undeland, Director Gross, Director Hill
Nayes: None – Motion passed

Non-Renewal of Probationary Teacher: Member Hill introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE TERMINATION
AND NON-RENEWAL OF THE TEACHING CONTRACT
OF LYLE KLEUSCH, A PROBATIONARY TEACHER**

WHEREAS, Lyle Kleusch is a probationary teacher in Independent School District No. 2711.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2711, that, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 122A.40, Subd. 5, the teaching contract of Lyle Kleusch, a probationary teacher in and of Independent School District No. 2711, is hereby terminated at the close of the current 2019-2020 school year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that written notice be sent to said teacher regarding termination and non-renewal of her contract to the extent of 1.00 FTE as provided by law and statute, and that notice be in substantially the following form:

**NOTICE OF TERMINATION
AND NON-RENEWAL**

Mr. Lyle Kleusch

Dear Mr. Kleusch:

You are hereby notified that at a Regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. #2711 held on May 4, 2020, a resolution was adopted by a majority vote to terminate your contract to the extent of 1.00 FTE with the school district at the end of the 2019-2020 school year and not to renew your contract to the extent of 1.00 FTE for the 2020-2021 school year. Said action of the board was taken pursuant to M.S. 122A.40, Subd. 5.

You may officially request that the school board give its reasons for the non-renewal of your teaching contract. For your information, however, this action was taken because of your probationary status.

Yours very truly,

Robert Hill
Clerk of the School Board
Independent School District #2711

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Maki and upon the vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Director Worshek, Director Maki, Director Undeland, Director Gross, Director Hill, Director Hautala

and the following voted against the same: None

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Chairperson

Clerk

Non-Renewal of Probationary Teacher: Member Worshek introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE TERMINATION
AND NON-RENEWAL OF THE TEACHING CONTRACT
OF PATRICIA MAUNU, A PROBATIONARY TEACHER**

WHEREAS, Patricia Maunu is a probationary teacher in Independent School District No. 2711.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2711, that, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 122A.40, Subd. 5, the teaching contract of Patricia Maunu, a probationary teacher in and of Independent School District No. 2711, is hereby terminated at the close of the current 2019-2020 school year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that written notice be sent to said teacher regarding termination and non-renewal of her contract to the extent of .80 FTE as provided by law and statute, and that notice be in substantially the following form:

**NOTICE OF TERMINATION
AND NON-RENEWAL**

Ms. Patricia Maunu

Dear Ms. Maunu:

You are hereby notified that at a Regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. #2711 held on May 4, 2020, a resolution was adopted by a majority vote to terminate your contract to the extent of .80 FTE with the school district at the end of the 2019-2020 school year and not to renew your contract to the extent of .80 FTE for the 2020-2021 school year. Said action of the board was taken pursuant to M.S. 122A.40, Subd. 5.

You may officially request that the school board give its reasons for the non-renewal of your teaching contract. For your information, however, this action was taken because of your probationary status.

Yours very truly,

Robert Hill

Clerk of the School Board
Independent School District #2711

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Gross and upon the vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Director Maki, Director Undeland, Director Gross, Director Hill, Director Hautala, Director Worshek

and the following voted against the same: None

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Chairperson

Clerk

Non-Renewal of Probationary Teacher: Member Hill introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE TERMINATION
AND NON-RENEWAL OF THE TEACHING CONTRACT
OF TAMI RAHKOLA, A PROBATIONARY TEACHER**

WHEREAS, Tami Rahkola is a probationary teacher in Independent School District No. 2711.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2711, that, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 122A.40, Subd. 5, the teaching contract of Tami Rahkola, a probationary teacher in and of Independent School District No. 2711, is hereby terminated at the close of the current 2019-2020 school year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that written notice be sent to said teacher regarding termination and non-renewal of her contract to the extent of .80 FTE as provided by law and statute, and that notice be in substantially the following form:

**NOTICE OF TERMINATION
AND NON-RENEWAL**

Ms. Tami Rahkola

Dear Ms. Rahkola:

You are hereby notified that at a Regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. #2711 held on May 4, 2020, a resolution was adopted by a majority vote to terminate your contract to the extent of .80 FTE with the school district at the end of the 2019-2020 school year and not to renew your contract to the extent of .80 FTE for the 2020-2021 school year. Said action of the board was taken pursuant to M.S. 122A.40, Subd. 5.

You may officially request that the school board give its reasons for the non-renewal of your teaching contract. For your information, however, this action was taken because of your probationary status.

Yours very truly,

Robert Hill
Clerk of the School Board
Independent School District #2711

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Maki and upon the vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Director Undeland, Director Gross, Director Hill, Director Hautala, Director Worshek, Director Maki

and the following voted against the same: None

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Chairperson

Clerk

2019-2020 Audit Proposal: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Hautala to approve Wipfli LLP to perform an annual audit for the year ending June 30, 2020 in the amount of \$22,360 and if a single audit is needed, there will be an additional fee of \$2,000 for each major federal program.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Director Gross, Director Hill, Director Hautala, Director Worshek, Director Maki, Director Undeland

Nayes: None – Motion passed

Postsecondary Enrollment Options Contract: Moved by Director Hautala, seconded by Director Hill to approve the Postsecondary Enrollment Options Contract with Mesabi Range College for academic years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021.

Roll call:

Ayes: Director Hill, Director Hautala, Director Worshek, Director Maki, Director Undeland, Director Gross,

Nayes: None – Motion passed.

Essentia Health Grants: Moved by Director Hautala seconded by Director Gross to accept the following Essentia Health Grants with appreciation: \$6,900 for weekend nutrition for youth, \$7,257.61 for larger hydroponic systems; \$2,852.22 to expand hydroponic growing.

Roll call:

Ayes: Director Hautala, Director Worshek, Director Maki, Director Undeland, Director Gross, Director Hill

Nayes: None – Motion passed

REPORTS: Under Separate Cover.

MEETING SCHEDULE: Regular Board Meeting – Monday, June 1, 2020 – 5:30 p.m. – Board Room (204)

Adjournment: Moved by Director Hill seconded by Director Maki to adjourn at 6:05 p.m.

Roll call:

Ayes: Director Worshek, Director Maki, Director Undeland, Director Gross, Director Hill, Director Hautala,

Nayes: None – Motion passed

ATTEST:

Chair

Clerk