

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

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
December 4, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER: The Regular Board Meeting was called to order by Chair Walt Hautala at 5:30 p.m. on December 4, 2017 in the Robert L. Olson Conference Room, with the following in answer to roll call.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Directors Donna Stevens, Rob Hill, Walt Hautala, Gene Maki, Kathy Undeland, Cyndi Worshek, Superintendent Allen.

Absent: None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA APPROVAL: Moved by Director Undeland seconded by Director Hill to approve the agenda as amended by adding 9.9, 9.10 and 9.11.

DISTRICT PATRON AND VISITOR COMMENTS: None.

Consent Agenda: Moved by Director Stevens, seconded by Director Maki to approve the consent agenda as presented: Computer checks, Payroll and Hand Payables in the amount of \$967,900.67; Regular Board Meeting Minutes of November 6, 2017, Special Board Meeting of November 13, 2017 and Special Board Meeting of November 28, 2017; Tuition Agreements with East Range Academy for three students with start dates of 9/5/17 and 11/20/17; Northland Learning Center for one student with a start date of 9/5/17; ISD 0116 Pillager Public Schools for one student with a start date of 9/28/17 and ISD 709 Duluth for one student with a start date of 9/20/17.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Bus Driver Resignation: Moved by Director Hautala, seconded by Director Hill to accept the resignation of Gregg Debevec as bus driver effective December 31, 2017 with appreciation for his years of dedicated service to the district.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Paraprofessional Resignation: Moved by Director Maki, seconded by Director Stevens to accept the resignation of Susan Parkhurst as paraprofessional effective December 31, 2017 with appreciation for her years of dedicated service to the district.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Boys Nordic Ski Application for Dissolution: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Worshek to approve the Application for Dissolution of Cooperative Sponsorship for Boys Nordic Ski with Mesabi East, Virginia and Eveleth Gilbert effective the 2017-2018 school year.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Second Reading Policy #534 – Unpaid Meal Charges: Moved by Director Worshek, seconded by Director Hill to accept Policy 534 – Unpaid Meal Charges.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Maintenance/Grounds Coordinator Assignment: Moved by Director Hill, seconded by Director Hautala to assign Scott Collins as Maintenance/Grounds Coordinator effective November 27, 2017. A stipend of \$2.00 per hour will be added to his current salary.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Paraprofessional Position Elimination: Moved by Director Stevens, seconded by Director Worshek to approve the elimination of a 31.25 hour Special Education paraprofessional position effective January 2, 2017.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Approval to Post: Moved by Director Stevens, seconded by Director Hill to authorize the district to post a Special Education paraprofessional position for up to 29 hours per week effective January 2, 2017.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Accept Donations: Moved by Director Maki, seconded by Director Hill to accept the following donations: Monetary donation of \$1,500 earmarked for Project Elf; Monetary donation of \$45 earmarked for the Elementary; Monetary donation of \$350 earmarked for Operation Backpack.

All in favor---Motion passed.

RAMS Board Nomination: Moved by Director Hautala, seconded by Director Hill to nominate Cyndi Worshek as a candidate for the RAMS Board.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Spanish Trip Chaperones: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Maki to approve the following Chaperones for the Spanish class trip to Ecuador on March 21, 2018 to March 30, 2018 pending background Checks: Erin Prazak, Erik Erie, Dan Prazak, Robert Saumer, Christi Sickel, Sue Kamnikar, Kaitlyn Hunt L'aurantier, Brittany Wing L'aurantier, Kristi Ceglar, Carolyn Olson.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Minutes

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MREA Ballot: Mesabi East Board Members were given a ballot to vote for 2 positions for MREA Board of Directors for 2018. The board unanimously voted for Tim Lutz, as the Administrator Representative and William Floersheim as the Teacher Representative.

REPORTS: Under Separate Cover.

MEETING SCHEDULE: Re-Organizational Board Meeting, Monday, January 8, 2018 – 5:00 p.m. – Robert L. Olson Conference Room

Regular Board Meeting – Monday, January 8, 2018– 5:30 p.m. – Robert L. Olson Conference Room

Proposed Tax Levy and 2017-2018 Budget: Carol Hebl, Finance Officer presented the current 2017-2018 budget and an informational presentation was given by Kathy Erickson from Arrowhead Regional Computing Consortium on the proposed levy. No action required.

Public Comment: Opportunity was given for public comment.

2017-2018 Levy Certification: Moved by Director Hill, seconded by Director Stevens to approve the certification of the 2017 Payable 2018 Levy in the amount of \$2,610,501.65.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Adjournment: Moved by Director Hill seconded by Director Worshek to adjourn at 6:30 p.m.

All in favor---Motion passed.

ATTEST:

Chair

Clerk