

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

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
June 21, 2021  
Board Room 204 5:30 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER: The Special Board Meeting was called to order by Chair, Walt Hautala at 5:30 p.m. on June 21, 2021 in Board Room (204), with the following in answer to roll call.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Directors Amanda Gross, Walt Hautala, Cyndi Worshek, Pamela LaFrenier, Kathy Undeland, Superintendent Allen

Absent: Director Chris Baudhuin

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

All in favor---Motion passed.

Proposed 2021-2022 Budget: Moved by Director Gross, seconded by Director Worshek to accept the proposed 2021-2022 budget as presented.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Covid Pay: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director LaFrenier to approve Covid payments as presented.

Amendment: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director LaFrenier to amend the motion to approve Covid payments as presented and to add amounts to extend to all employees using the same criteria to determine amount.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Greenhouse Summer Stipends: Moved by Director Gross seconded by Director Undeland to approve the Greenhouse Summer Stipends as presented: Month of June – Greenhouse Manager \$2,056.25; Greenhouse Assistant Manager \$1,410; Months of July/August – Greenhouse Assistant - \$2,280.

Amendment: Moved by Director Gross seconded by Director Undeland to amend the motion to approve the Greenhouse Summer Stipends as presented: Month of June – Greenhouse Manager will be paid \$1,645 paid by the grant and \$411.25 paid for by the District for a total of \$2,056.25; Greenhouse Assistant Manager will be paid \$1,128 paid by the grant and \$282 paid by the District for a total of \$1,410; Months of July/August the Greenhouse Assistant will be paid \$2,280 all paid by the district.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Negative Student Meal Balances: Moved by Director LaFrenier, seconded by Director Gross to approve ESSER funding to zero out all negative student meal balances. The total amount totals \$10,003.66.

All in favor---Motion passed.

ARCC Specific Services Contract: Moved by Director Worshek, seconded by Director Gross to approve the renewal of the ARCC Specific Services Agreement for 2021-2022 in the amount of \$41,587.62.

All in favor---Motion passed.

2021-2022 MREA Membership Renewal: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Worshek to approve the 2021-2022 Minnesota Rural Education Association (MREA) Membership renewal in the amount of \$2,127.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Special Education Paraprofessional Retirement: Moved by Director Worshek, seconded by Director LaFrenier to accept the retirement resignation of Barb Hinsz effective June 2, 2021 with appreciation for her years of dedicated service to the district.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Industrial Technology Teacher Resignation: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Gross to accept the resignation of Tim Hogan effective June 3, 2021 with appreciation for his years of dedicated service to the district.

All in favor---Motion passed.

School Bus Driver Retirement: Moved by Director Worshek, seconded by Director Undeland to accept the retirement resignation of Tom Bajda effective June 30, 2021 with appreciation for his years of dedicated service to the district.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Special Education Teacher Hire: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director LaFrenier to approve Megan Pelarske as 1.0 FTE Special Education Teacher, MA, Step 6 effective the 2021-2022 school year with wages and benefits pursuant to the Master Agreement with Education Minnesota Local #1255.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Special Education Teacher Hire: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director LaFrenier to approve Tammy Erven as 1.0 FTE Special Education Teacher, MA, Step 5 effective the 2021-2022 school year with wages and benefits pursuant to the Master Agreement with Education Minnesota Local #1255.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Special Education Teacher Hire: Moved by Director LaFrenier, seconded by Director Undeland to approve Shara Jarvela as 1.0 FTE Special Education Teacher, MA, Step 9 effective the 2021-2022 school year with wages and benefits pursuant to the Master Agreement with Education Minnesota Local #1255.

Agriculture Teacher Hire: Moved by Director LaFrenier, seconded by Director Undeland to approve Orlend Menze as 1.0 FTE Agriculture Teacher, MA + 12, Step 10 effective the 2021-2022 school year with wages and benefits pursuant to the Master Agreement with Education Minnesota Local #1255. A summer 2021 stipend for Greenhouse Assistant Manager will be provided in the amount of \$2,280.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Check and Connect: Moved by Director Worshek, seconded by Director Gross to approve the Check and Connect pilot program for students attending Summer School grades 9-11. Total cost of \$10,252.88.

All in favor---Motion passed.

ADJORNMENT: Moved by Director Worshek seconded by Director Undeland to adjourn at 6:35 p.m.

All in favor---Motion passed.

ATTEST:

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Chair

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Clerk