

February 3, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the School Board, Independent School District No. 701, was called to order at 3:30 P.M. on February 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.

Superintendent Aldrich introduced Abby Theien and Jackie McDannold the new Student Representatives to the School Board.

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 Martin and approved unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda for the Month of January, 2021 which consists of the Minutes from the January 6 and 20, 2021 Regular Meetings. Postings or transfers in the Non-Certified Bargaining Unit for the month of January.

1. Approve posting of Job #60 Pupil Support Assistant, 30 hours per week, Greenhaven, effective January 4, 2021.
2. Approve posting of Job #60 Pupil Support Assistant, 30 hours per week, Lincoln, effective January 4, 2021.

**Public Comment:** None

**Old Business:** None

**Personnel:**

ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION FOR PURPOSES OF RETIREMENT  
FROM KELLIE BUNGARDEN

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Nyberg to accept the resignation for purposes of retirement from Kellie Bungarden, English Teacher, High School, effective June 4, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION FOR PURPOSES OF RETIREMENT  
FROM TERRENCE VESEL

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Polcher to accept the resignation for purposes of retirement from Terrence Vesel, Industrial Arts Teacher, High School, effective June 4, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE THE REQUEST BY MANDY GHERARDI FOR UNPAID  
EMERGENCY LEAVE, PURSUANT TO THE NON-CERTIFIED MASTER  
AGREEMENT BEGINNING FEBRUARY 1, 2021 FOR ONE HALF DAY  
THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2021

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Nyberg to approve the request by Mandy Gherardi for unpaid Emergency Leave, pursuant to the Non-Certified Master Agreement beginning February 1, 2021 for one half day through February 28, 2021 (these are full days of leave, after the initial half day on February 1, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE THE HIRING OF MICHELLE BAKER TO JOB #60 PUPIL  
SUPPORT ASSISTANT, LINCOLN ELEMENTARY, EFFECTIVE  
FEBRUARY 4, 2021

Moved by Director Martin, supported by Director Polcher to approve the hiring of Michelle Baker to Job #60 Pupil Support Assistant, Lincoln Elementary, effective February 4, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE THE HIRING OF NICOLE FARDEN TO JOB #60 PUPIL  
SUPPORT ASSISTANT, GREENHAVEN ELEMENTARY, EFFECTIVE  
FEBRUARY 22, 2021

Moved by Director Egan, supported by Director Martin to approve the hiring of Nicole Farden to Job #60 Pupil Support Assistant, Greenhaven Elementary, effective February 22, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

**Administrative Reports:**

**Directors / Student Director:**

Director Martin gave an update on two zoom meetings she attended:  
Community Education Advisory Board meeting  
Virtual MN School Board Association meeting

Director McLaughlin gave an update on RAMS meeting. RAMS recognized HHS teacher, Dana Lindstrom, for her work at the Discovery Center.

**Principals / Assistant Principals:**

**Committee Report:**

**COVID Updates:**

Superintendent Aldrich said things look great our bi-weekly number will go down from 24 to 20. Approximately 50 staff received 1<sup>st</sup> dose of vaccine. Superintendent Aldrich thanked Mrs. Lindholm and Mrs. Baumgardner for leading the vaccination efforts.

Tyler Glad – Building and Grounds Supervisor – the elementary schools are distancing as much as possible now that they are back in person.

High School Students return to in person learning on February 8, 2021 for grades 9-12 and two weeks following if our numbers stay or continue to go down we will bring back grades 7-8.

**Administrative Business:**

ADOPT THE RESOLUTION OF I.S.D. NO. 701 (HIBBING), MINNESOTA REGARDING AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF PARTICIPATION FOR THE WASHINGTON EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

Moved by Director Nyberg, supported by Director Polcher to adopt the resolution of I.S.D. No. 701 (Hibbing), Minnesota regarding authorizing the issuance of certificates of participation for the Washington Early Childhood Center. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE THE PROFESSIONAL / TECHNICAL SERVICES CONTRACT BETWEEN I.S.D. NO. 701 AND ORTHOPEDIC ASSOCIATES HIBBING CLINIC FOR THE PERIOD OF AUGUST 13, 2021 – AUGUST 13, 2024

Moved by Director Egan, supported by Director Nyberg to approve the Professional / Technical Service Contract between I.S.D. No. 701 and Orthopedic Associates Hibbing Clinic for the period of August 13, 2021 – August 13, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE THE AMENDMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN I.S.D. NO. 701 AND TEACHERS ON CALL TO INCLUDE PUPIL SUPPORT ASSISTANTS AS AN ADDITIONAL SERVICE EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 3, 2021

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Polcher to approve the amendment agreement between I.S.D. No. 701 and Teachers on Call to include Pupil Support Assistants as an additional service effective February 3, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENT BY THE CHAIR OF TWO DIRECTORS TO SIGN AND DISTRIBUTE 2021 HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS

Chair Berklich appointed Director Egan and Director McLaughlin to sign and distribute 2021 High School Diplomas.

APPROVE THE REVISED POLICY #807 COVID-19 FACE COVERING POLICY

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Martin to approve the revised Policy #807 COVID-19 Face Covering Policy. (3 reads not required per the MSBA for this policy). Motion carried unanimously.

**Discussion Items:**

Superintendent Aldrich informed the school board on proper protocol for changing meeting times. The school board discussed the future possibility of listening sessions or open forums.

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