

June 23, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the School Board, Independent School District No. 701, was called to order at 3:30 P.M. on June 23, 2021, in the High School Board Room. Members present: Directors McLaughlin, Nyberg, Egan, Polcher, Martin and Chair Berklich. Student Director Jacqui McDannold and Abigail Theien.  
Members Absent: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVE AGENDA

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director McLaughlin to approve the agenda Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Director Nyberg supported by Director Martin and approved unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda which consists of the Minutes for the June 9, 2021 Regular Meeting. The following for the Month of May, 2021: Consideration of Claims for the month of May \$937,312.75. Electronic Fund Transfers for the month of May in the amount of \$259,676.74. Treasurer's and Investment Report for the month of May. Payrolls for the month of May in the amount of \$2,022,064.42. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment:** None

**Old Business:** None

**Personnel:**

ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF ELLIS WOJCIEHOWSKI

Moved by Director Martin, supported by Director Polcher to accept the resignation of Ellis Wojciehowski as a junior high football coach, effective June 7, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF BRITNY RIIPINEN

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Nyberg to accept the resignation of Britny Riipinen as girls' head soccer coach, effective June 9, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF BRYAN TERZICH

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Martin to accept the resignation of Bryan Terzich as head softball coach, effect June 17, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

HIRE SHANNON ROCCO

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director McLaughlin to approve the hiring of Shannon Rocco as a 1.0 FTE science teacher, effective August 30, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

HIRE JEFFREY NEIST

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Polcher to approve the hiring of Jeffrey Neist as a 1.0 FTE science teacher, effective August 30, 2021 contingent upon receiving licensure from MN PELSB. Motion carried unanimously.

HIRE RICHELLE KLEIST AND MEGAN ZUBICH

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Martin to approve the hiring of Richelle Kleist and Megan Zubich as co-advisors for the Junior Class, effective September 8, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

**Administrative Reports:**

**Directors / Student Director:**

Directors McLaughlin, Martin along with Susan Nelson attended the Indian Education drum ceremony for high school graduates.

Director McLaughlin was on the RAMS interview committee for the executive director elect, Ida Rukavina.

Director McLaughlin recognized Julia Gherardi, State Champion for Track and Field in pole vault.

Student Director Jacqui McDannold reported the Student Council is preparing for the annual fall the bus fundraiser scheduled for September 2, 2021.

Student Director Abigail Theien reported the Student Council is possibly doing a float for the Jubilee Parade.

**Principals / Assistant Principals:**

**Committee Report:**

**Administrative Business:**

APPROVE DISTRICT GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE RATES

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Nyberg to approve the district group health insurance rates through NESC from September 1, 2021 – August 31, 2022. Motion carried 5-0 with Chair Berklich abstaining.

APPROVE THE CONTRACT WITH ARROWHEAD REGIONAL COMPUTING CONSORTIUM

Moved by Director Martin, supported by Director Polcher to approve the contract with Arrowhead Regional Computing Consortium for specific services from July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE FY2021 BUDGET REVISIONS

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Egan to approve FY2021 budget revisions as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE THE PROPERTY/LIABILITY INSURANCE PROPOSAL WITH HANOVER INSURANCE GROUP

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Martin to approve the property/liability insurance proposal with Hanover Insurance Group in the amount of \$177,661.30 for fiscal year 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE THE WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE PROPOSAL WITH AMTRUST

Moved by Director Martin, supported by Director Nyberg to approve the workers compensation insurance proposal with AmTrust in the amount of \$87,301.00 for fiscal year 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE THE CYBER LIABILITY INSURANCE PROPOSAL WITH BEAZLY GROUP

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Egan to approve the cyber liability insurance proposal with Beazly Group in the amount of \$6,650.00 for fiscal year 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

**Director Polcher left the meeting at 4:40 p.m.**

REVIEW STRATEGIC PLAN

Superintendent Aldrich reviewed some of the items on the Strategic Plan that still needed to be addressed. Discussion followed.

CANCEL THE OPTIONAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING FOR JULY 7, 2021

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Egan cancel the optional school board meeting for July 7, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE THE PURCHASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN I.S.D. NO. 701 AND EDYNAMIC LEARNING

Moved by Director Martin, supported by Director Egan to approve the Purchase Agreement between I.S.D. No. 701 and eDynamic Learning effective July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN I.S.D. NO. 701 AND NORTH HOMES, INC

Moved by Director Nyberg, supported by Director Martin to approve the Professional Service Agreement between I.S.D. No. 701 and North Homes, Inc. effective June 24, 2021 – June 30, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

NOTICE OF DESIRE TO NEGOTIATE FROM THE HIBBING NON-ALIGNED UNIT

Superintendent Aldrich presented the Notice of Desire to Negotiate from The Hibbing Non-Aligned Unit.

CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS NEGOTIATIONS STRATEGY

Moved by Director Nyberg, supported by Director McLaughlin to go into closed session to discuss negotiations strategy. Motion carried unanimously.

**Discussion Items:** None

RECESS MEETING

Chair Berklich recessed the regular meeting at 4:50 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Chair Berklich closed the regular meeting at 4:55 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Moved by Director Egan, supported by Director Nyberg to open the regular meeting at 5:48 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Egan to adjourn the meeting at 5:49 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

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JOHN BERKLICH, Chair

ATTEST:

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MARJORIE MARTIN, Clerk