



Independent School District No. 834 – Stillwater Area Public Schools
Oak Park Building, 6355 Osman Avenue North, Stillwater, MN 55082
April 28, 2022 – 6:30 p.m. Meeting Minutes

I. Recognition

The Stillwater speech team placed 7th at state. Nine Stillwater students qualified for the tournament with three making it to the finals, each placing 4th overall: Gursimrat Dahry, Kyra Kellogg and Ava Roots. Dahry and Kellogg were also selected to be a part of the All-State Speech team. The speech team was also the Section 4AA champion for the second consecutive season and the second time in school history.

II. Public Comment

- Addie Foote - Lake Elmo, MN - Solar for schools
- Martha Winslow - St. Mary's Point, MN - Solar for schools
- Eden Riegle - Stillwater, MN - Solar for schools
- Michelle Deziel - Lake Elmo, MN - Equitable employment and educational equity
- Karen Hulstrand - Stillwater, MN - Solar for schools
- Julie Jacobs - Stillwater, MN - School Board Policies related to health care and curriculum content
- Michael McCarthy - Day of Silence

III. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:13 p.m.

IV. Roll Call: Present: Alison Sherman, chair, Katie Hockert, vice chair, Beverly Petrie, treasurer Annie Porbeni, clerk, Pete Kelzenberg, director, Tina Riehle, director, Vivian Votava, director

V. Pledge of Allegiance

VI. Approval of Agenda

Motion to amend the agenda to add an agenda item to approve collaboration between director Vivian Votava and staff to gather energy bill data for the last 3 years, by facility and energy type to help in a preliminary understanding of costs and to provide some exploratory work so the board and administration can make well-reasoned goals regarding energy conservation and renewable energy feasibility in the near future by: Member Votava; second by: Member Porbeni; Vote: 3 ayes, 4 nays (Hockert, Kelzenberg, Petrie, Sherman); Motion failed.

Motion to approve the agenda by: Member Hockert; second by: Member Petrie; Vote: 6 ayes, 1 nay (Votava); Motion carried.

VII. Student Report

Amelia provided a report on academics and activities -

- The Stillwater speech team placed 7th at state.
- Students are preparing for AP testing.
- Students are waiting to hear back regarding scholarship applications.

- The Stillwater Choir performed in Southern California.
- The Band's last concert performance was last week.
- Sophomores have been busy with MCA testing.

Ella provided a report on extracurriculars -

- Ella shared a report on high school sporting events

VIII. Superintendent Report

- We will be looking into possibilities of solar energy in the future as we review the needs of our District in the upcoming months. We do have some solar panels at our Early Childhood and Family Center and we will continue to learn more about this energy saving resource.
- Senior Catherine Fredcove has been named an Athena Award winner! The St. Paul Area Athena Awards program recognizes outstanding female student-athletes from high schools around the metro.
- Over the past few weeks, local volunteers, Jim Feldman and Paul Olson donated their time to work with students at the high school to create bluebird houses.
- Stillwater teachers Elizabeth Peloquin and Kari Pidde were named Outstanding Collaborating Professionals by the University of Wisconsin-River Falls College of Education and Professional Studies.
- Hear our choirs, orchestras and bands play in concert. [Learn more and buy tickets online.](#)
- The Family Resource Fair, Tate Schoeberlein and his team shared the amazing services and resources that our staff and community provide to our students and our families.

IX. Board Chair Report

- Nothing to report

X. Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes of April 7, 2022 Special Meeting
- B. Minutes of April 8, 2022 Special Meeting
- C. Minutes of April 14, 2022 Business Meeting
- D. Minutes of April 19, 2022 Special Meeting
- E. Payment of Invoices – April 16, 2022- April 29, 2022
- F. Accept Gifts and Donations – February and March, 2022
- G. Treasurer’s Report – February and March, 2022
- H. Stonebridge Elementary Fall Zone Surfacing
- I. Stillwater Middle School Fire Alarm Replacement
- J. 2022 Stillwater Area High School Pavement Rehabilitation
- K. Agreement to Provide Special Education and Related Staffing – Northeast Metro 916
- L. Tyler Drive Transportation System
- M. Human Resources Personnel Report

Motion to approve item A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, M by: Member Petrie; second by: Member Kelzenberg; Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays; Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve the item L by: Member Votava; second by: Member Porbeni; Vote: 6 ayes, 1 nay (Riehle); Motion carried.

XI. Action Item

- A. Approval of Transportation Contract - Mr. Mark Drommerhausen
Mr. Drommerhausen presented to the Finance & Operations meeting on April 20, 2022

that

Stillwater Area Public Schools received a written quotation for transportation of resident

public, nonpublic, and charter school children. The district entered into direct negotiations with Schmitt & Sons to provide our transportation services.

Motion to approve a six year transportation contract and a six year sublease agreement with Schmitt & Sons Transportation at our Lake Elmo bus terminal by: Member Petrie; second by: Member Hockert; Vote: 6 ayes, 1 nay(Riehle); Motion carried.

B. 2021-2023 SCEA Master Contract - Ms. Cindy Gustafson

The District has recently reached agreement on the terms and conditions of employment for the 2021-2023 Master Contract with the St. Croix Education Association, covering the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023.

Motion to approve the 2021-2023 SCEA Mater Contract with by: Member Petrie; second by: Member Kelzenberg; Vote: 6 ayes, 1 nay (Riehle); Motion carried.

XII. Reports

A. Second Reading 201.8 – Board Organization and Officers Roles and Policy 202 – School Board Officers – Superintendent Malinda Lansfeldt

Policy 202 has been revised since its first reading and a newly developed document of responsibilities of school board officers was developed. Policy 201.8 is redundant with Policy 202 and will be asked to be revoked at a future business meeting.

B. First Reading Policy 201.9 - Board Working Groups and Policy 213 - School Board Committees – Superintendent Malinda Lansfeldt

Policy 213 will come to a future business meeting for a second reading. Policy 201.9 is redundant with Policy 213 and will be asked to be revoked.

Adjournment

A. The meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Annie Porbeni, clerk