

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 831
Forest Lake, Minnesota
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
August 6, 2009

A regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 831, Forest Lake, Minnesota, was called to order by President Bill Bresin at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 6, 2009, at the School District Office Building. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll was called and the following members were present: Bill Bresin, David Gay, Joe Grafft, Dan Kieger, Eric Langness, Rob Rapheal, and Superintendent Dr. Linda Madsen, ex officio. Julie Corcoran was absent.

The meeting agenda was unchanged.

4. VISITORS:

Listening Session: Members David Gay and Joe Grafft reported that several people attended the Listening Session where they discussed the property tax base, the Superintendent's contract, budgets, and student test results.

5. STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT:

Central Learning Center (CLC) – Principal Gayle McGrane gave a report on the 2009 summer school and a new “Future Focused” program for students at Central Montessori School.

MCA Results – Dr. Lloyd Komatsu presented the results of the spring MCAII tests.

Positive Happenings:

Dan Kieger welcomed Superintendent Dr. Linda Madsen to her first School Board Meeting as Superintendent. He also thanked the LaCrosse teams for providing School Board Members with candy thank you bags, and highlighted the Community Education bulletin on Club 678.

REPORTS:

Language Immersion Task Force – Superintendent Madsen reported that the language task force will meet again with Tara Fortune on August 10, and Dr. Mark Larson from the Minnetonka School District on August 17.

Superintendent Madsen reported that during the past month she has met with key school personnel and administrators, community leaders, area Superintendents, School Board Members, and members of the media. She has scheduled monthly meetings at each of the schools. Since July 1 Dr. Madsen has participated in the Bush Foundation Partnership

Summit and an MASA first year Superintendent seminar. She announced that Steve Massey has been appointed to the state Innovative School Advisory Council, and Dr. Lloyd Komatsu has been selected as a member of the National Technical Advisory Committee. Dr. Madsen provided School Board Members with the preschool workshop schedule and noted that the first day back for all teachers and the all-staff lunch is Monday, August 31.

Dr. Madsen proposed discussion on doing a gap analysis on instructional programs. This item could be discussed at a special School Board Meeting/work session during August and will poll School Board Members for available dates.

Maintenance facility – Director of Business Services Lawrence Martini gave an update on the upcoming demolition of the maintenance facility and parking lot improvements at the Central Learning Center. The project is projected to be completed by the end of August.

7. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Member Grafft moved to approve consent agenda items 7.1–7.4. The motion was seconded by Member Rapheal, all members voted aye and the motion carried.

7.1 Approved the minutes of June 25, 2009.

7.2 Approved the Bills as of August 6, 2009.

7.3 Classified Personnel:

A. Retirement:

1. Stephen Parenteau – eff. 7-20-09 (30 yr.
2. Dorothy Pirrung – eff. 8-31-09 (32 yr.)

B. Resignation:

1. Heather Doneland – eff. 6-5-09.
2. Nancy McGee – eff. 7-22-09.
3. Beth Napoli – eff. 6-5-09.
4. Carol Strege – eff. 7-1-09.

C. Termination: Katy Hull – eff. 7-8-0-9.

D. Employment:

1. Robert Allen – 7-27-09.
2. Tamara Cummings – eff. 9-8-09.
3. Jennifer Gamble – eff. 9-8-09.
4. Sherry Miller – eff. 8-3-09.
5. Nicole Schaffer – eff. 8-31-09.

E. Transfer: Judith Siems – to Cued Speech Transliterator VI at Wyoming Elem. eff. 8-31-09.

F. Recall from FLAEP Lay-off status: Joni Kroska – eff. 8-31-09.

G. Leave of Absence:

1. Gina Millette – Nov. 11, 2009 through Jan. 4, 2010.
2. Dorothy Pirrung – extend LOA from July 18 through August 31, 2009.
3. Kathryn Reinhold – June 15 through July 31, 2009.

H. Additional hours/change in classification:

1. From a Special Education Paraprofessional II at Century Junior High, 6 hrs./day, 37 wk./yr. to a Special Education Health Care Specialist IV (LPN) position, 6.5 hr./day, 37 wk./yr., eff. 2009-10.
2. From a Noon Duty Supv. I position at Columbus Elem., 2.5 hr./day, 35 wk./yr. to a Title I/Noon Duty Supv. II position 5 hr./day 37 wk./year effective 2009-10.

7.4 Licensed Personnel:

A. Non-Curricular Position:

1. Laura Edlund - .6133 Assistant Girl's Track Coach.
2. Rich Elliot – Girls' Head Soccer Coach for 2009 only.
3. Joe Jurasin – Assistant Football Coach.
4. Geoff McLaughlin – Assistant Football Coach.
5. Angela Nelson – .5 Fall Assistant Dance Club Coach.
6. Travis Sletta – Senior High Choir Director.
7. Mark Smith – Boys' Assistant Cross Country Coach.
8. Cheryl Smoczyk – Head Dance Coach.
9. Stephanie Ward – .5 National Honor Society Advisor.

B. Cancel Leave of Absence: Keri Kruger – Cancel 2009-10 leave of absence to work as Title 1 teacher.

C. Change in Contract Status:

1. Carol Kuschke – Extra hour assignment for the 2009-10 school year.
2. Sara Schneider – Release from full-time contract and approve .5 regular contract.

D. Employment (effective 2009-10):

1. James Caldwell – Senior High Assistant Principal effective 7/20/09.
2. Katie Corrigan – Full-time regular contract.
3. Keri Krueger - .42 FTE Title 1 teacher paid on voucher basis.
4. Shannon Kubicek - Full-time regular contract.
5. Tara Kude - Full-time regular contract.
6. Sadie Lundberg – Full-time regular contract.
7. Paulette Miller - .42 FTE Title 1 teacher paid on voucher basis.
8. Katie Scheuring - Full-time regular contract.
9. Elizabeth Slama - .5 regular contract.
10. Travis Sletta – Full-time regular contract.
11. Leah Taylor – Full-time regular contract.
12. Kirsten Wekkin – Full-time regular contract.

- E. Retirement/Resignation:
 - 1. Mark Allaman– Retire effective end of the 2008-09 school year (34 yr.)
 - 2. Christine Glomski – Resignation effective immediately.
 - 3. Richard Hahn – Retire effective July 13, 2009 (29 yr.)
 - 4. Patricia L. Sargent – Resign effective immediately.
- F. Approved eight (8) District Department Chair positions in Special Education effective 2009-10 school year and thereafter.

8.0 Donations: Member Grafft introduced the resolution to accept with appreciation the following contributions and permit their use as designated by the donors. The motion was duly seconded by Member Kieger, all members present voted aye and the resolution was adopted. Donations: \$500 couch from Kelly Lessman for the STEP program; \$250 file cabinets from Jody Mogren for the STEP program; \$5,000 from the City of Wyoming for the Teen Center; \$101 from Eagle Liquor & Tobacco for Lino Lakes Elementary student milk breaks and snacks.

9. OLD BUSINESS:

- 9.1 School Liaisons – Member Grafft moved, seconded by Member Kieger, to approve the following School Board Members as school liaisons for 2009-10. All members voted aye and the motion carried.

Columbus Elementary – Joe Grafft
Forest Lake Elementary – Bill Bresin
Forest View Elementary – Julie Corcoran
Lino Lakes Elementary – Rob Rapheal
Linwood Elementary – Eric Langness
Scandia Elementary – Dan Kieger
Wyoming Elementary – David Gay

Central Learning Center – Dan Kieger, Eric Langness
Century Junior High – Rob Rapheal, Bill Bresin
Southwest Junior High – David Gay, Dan Kieger
Senior High – Joe Grafft, Julie Corcoran
Bus Garage – Dan Kieger, Joe Grafft

- 9.2 Staffing – Member Kieger moved to authorize the Superintendent to hire an additional .5 FTE kindergarten teacher at Forest Lake Elementary if she deems it necessary. The motion was seconded by Member Rapheal, by roll call vote all members voted aye and the motion carried.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

- 10.1 Trade Publishing Agreement – Member Grafft moved to dispense with the second reading and approve the Trade Publishing Agreement with the County Messenger Press Publishing Group. The motion was seconded by Member Rapheal, all members voted aye and the motion carried.
- 10.2 Annual Report – First reading of the Annual Report on Curriculum, Instruction, and Student Performance for 2008-09. This item will be placed on the next agenda for Board action.
- 10.3 Property Tax Calendar – Director of Business Services reported that due to legislative changes to the levy calendar requirements, the Truth in Taxation Hearing will be held in conjunction with the December 3, 2009 School Board Meeting.
- 10.4 SEAC Council – Director of Special Education Deborah Wall requested consideration on appointing a School Board Member to the district’s Special Education Parent Advisory Committee (SEAC). Member Dan Kieger volunteered to serve on this committee. Member Grafft moved, seconded by Member Rapheal, to appoint Dan Kieger to the district Special Education Parent Advisory Committee (SEAC). All members voted aye and the motion carried.

11. COMMUNICATIONS: The School Board reviewed upcoming calendar dates. Due to conflicts, Member Grafft moved, seconded by Member Rapheal to move the March 11, 2010 committee meetings to March 18th, and the April 1, 2010 School Board Meeting to March 25, 2010. All members voted aye and the motion carried.

As there was no further business, Member Grafft moved, seconded by Member Langness, to adjourn. All members voted aye and the meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Bill Bresin

President

Rob Rapheal

Clerk