

St. Louis Park Public Schools
Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 14, 2023 – 6:30 p.m.
St. Louis Park High School Room C350

The regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 283 of St. Louis Park, Hennepin County, Minnesota, convened at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 14, 2023 in St. Louis Park High School Room C350. Present were Board Members Anne Casey, Ken Morrison, C. Colin Cox, Abdihakim Ibrahim, Virginia Mancini, Sarah Davis, and Superintendent Astein Osei. Clerk Heather Wilsey was absent.

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Anne Casey called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Mancini to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed 6-0.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Superintendent Osei shared four updates. First, he congratulated the Middle School Quiz Bowl Team for their participation at the Quiz Bowl Tournament in Burnsville, MN on Saturday, January 21, 2023. Next, he congratulated the High School Girls Nordic Ski Team for their conference championship win. Superintendent Osei then shared about the significance and celebrations held to celebrate World Hijab Day. His report concluded by acknowledging and thanking our counselors for their contribution to our school community and the healthy development of our students as the previous week was National School Counseling week.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Science Design Team Update

Patrick Duffy, Director of Teaching, Learning and Leadership, and the district's Science Design Team provided an update on the work of the design team this school year. The update reviewed the phases of the review process, introduced design team members, and the team’s Racial Equity Purpose statement. The team reviewed the work done this school year by grade levels - E-5, 6-8, and 9-12. The partnership with Westwood Nature Center and dreams for Science in St. Louis Park Public Schools were also discussed.

Budget Update

Patricia Magnuson, Director of Business Services, provided a budget update in preparation for Finance Advisory Committee recommendations that will be presented at the February 28, 2023 School Board meeting. The update reviewed the budget timeline, school district funds, Fiscal Year 2023-24 preliminary budget information, addition to address projected deficit, key Fiscal Year 2024 budget points, and next steps.

Policy Development - First Reading of Policies 210 Conflict of Interest, 416 Drug and Alcohol Testing & 417 Chemical Use and Abuse

The School Board reviewed policies 210 Conflict of Interest, 416 Drug and Alcohol Testing, and 417 Chemical Use and Abuse, as a first reading.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was then made by Davis, seconded by Morrison to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

1. Payroll for December 15, 2022 in the amount of 1,461,729.79 and December 30, 2022 in the amount of 1,477,314.67
2. Recap of Expenditures
3. Electronic Fund Transfers
4. Accounts Payable Disbursements
5. Donations
6. Minutes
7. Personnel

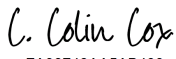
The motion passed 6-0.

COMMUNICATIONS AND TRANSMITTALS

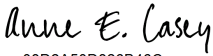
ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mancini, seconded by Cox to adjourn. The motion passed 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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C. Colin Cox, Acting Clerk
(in Clerk Wilsey's absence)

Approved:

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Anne Casey, Chair

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