

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: August 17, 2023

TOPIC: #5.7 – August 3, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

PRESENTER: Dayna Pottratz, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent & School Board

REFERENCE TO POLICY/STATUTE: Policy 204, School Board Meeting Minutes

A. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- a. Approval of the following School Board Meeting minutes

August 3, 2023

1.0 Call to Order: Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a meeting of the School Board of Independent School District 833, South Washington County, was held on Thursday, August 3, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Chair Sharon Van Leer, at 6:00pm at the District Service Center, 7362 East Point Douglas Road South, Cottage Grove, MN 55016. School Board Members present: Melinda Dols, Pat Driscoll, Louise Hinz, Simi Patnaik and Sharon Van Leer. Katie Schwartz and Eric Tessmer were absent. Superintendent Julie Nielsen was present.

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance

3.0 Approval of Agenda: It was moved by Melinda Dols, seconded by Pat Driscoll to approve the agenda. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

4.0 Workshop Items:



4.1 Professional Development Update, introduced by Kelly Jansen, Assistant Superintendent and presented by Mark McIlmoyle, Director of Professional Development. He shared the upcoming plans for upcoming training and the connections to the core values and objectives of the strategic plan.

5.0 Information Items:

5.1 Capital Projects, presented by Julie Nielsen, Superintendent. She shared information about the possibility of asking for additional funds for technology, noting the need for a dedicated funding source for cyber security.

5.2 Bond Information, presented by Julie Nielsen, Superintendent. She shared information about plans for the informational campaign from the district.

5.3 First Reading of Proposed Policy Changes, presented by Julie Nielsen, Superintendent. These policies will return for approval on August 17, 2023. Most changes were due to legal requirements effective July and August 1, 2023. There was no request for public comment.

6.0 Reports and Comments: *Superintendent Nielsen highlighted the Human Resources staff for holding a successful hiring event last week, with over 30 conditional job offers made as a result. She also highlighted the summer Skoolie crew with their events at elementary schools and upcoming summer parades. Melinda Dols attended the 916 board meeting and policy meeting. Pat Driscoll reported on BrightWorks (formerly Metro ECSU). Louise Hinz shared information on the School Safety presentation. Simi Patnaik shared information from CFAC, the policy committee and a meeting with the City of Woodbury.*

7.0 Future Meeting Dates:

August 17, 2023 – School Board Business Meeting (DSC/6:00 p.m.)

September 7, 2023 – School Board Workshop Meeting (DSC/6:00 p.m.)

8.0 Adjournment: *The meeting adjourned at 6:53pm.*



B. RECOMMENDATION

- a. Approval

C. CONNECTION TO STRATEGIC PRIORITY

- a. Operations, Staffing, and Finance

