

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #414  
MINNEOTA SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
LARRY BUYSSE, CHAIR  
Tuesday, February 17, 2009  
7:00 P.M.**

**I. Regular Order of Business**

**1. Call to Order**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Larry Buysse.

**2. Roll Call**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Larry Buysse, Christy Brewers, Dan Longtin, Dodie Derynck, Doug Spanton, and Dawn VanKeulen.

ADMINISTRATION: Supt. Dan Deitte, Elementary Principal: Harlen Ulrich, High School Principal: Todd Griepentrog.

GUESTS: Ruth Bot, Linette Nelson, Charlie Hettling, Tyson Sonnenburg, Jesse Drager, Dan Canton, Gayle VanVooren and Jorun Ahmann was present to take minutes.

**3. Visitors were acknowledged.**

**4. Positive Comments**

**II. Business Agenda**

- 1. Adopt Business Agenda:** Motion by Doug Spanton, seconded by Dodie Derynck, to adopt the agenda as presented with the addition of 2.3 FMLA Leave, 2.4 Graduation Tests, 2.5 Meet and Confer, 3.10 District Calendar, 4.3 Landscaping Quotes. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 2. Motion by Dawn VanKeulen, seconded by Dan Longtin to approve the minutes from the January 13, 2009, Special Planning and Regular meetings. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 3. Approval of Bills:** Represents finance check #'s 31732 – 31735, and 31742 – 31856, and 31873 – 31875.

General Fund	\$ 311,906.89
Food Service	7,576.13
Community Service	938.98
Building Construction	202,636.11
Debt Redemption	116,325.00
Trust Account	0
Total	<span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">\$ 639,383.11</span>

Motion by Dawn VanKeulen, seconded by Dodie Derynck to approve payment of bills as presented, with the addition of \$600.00 additional to Courtney Smith and the \$75,000.00 ESG bill that was held last month. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**III. Reports**

- 1. Financial Reports** – Reviewed (Receipt #'s 15204 - 15275)
- 2. Food Service Report** - Reviewed
- 3 High School Activity Report** – Reviewed
- 4. Enrollment Update** - Reviewed
- 5. Elementary/AD Report** – The geography bee was held with Justin VanKeulen being the winner there and the spelling bee was held with Austin Starodub being the winner there. Justin has now taken a test and is waiting to find out the results of that. Austin will move on to the next level for the spelling bee.  
Parent Teacher conferences will be held on Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. The last round of preschool screening will be held on Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup>. Kindergarten Round Up is scheduled for Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Mr. Ulrich attended the Elementary Principal's conference. He explained how well the STAR Early Literacy Tests are working for grades K -2, in helping teachers identify problem areas with individual students.

Winter sports are having a wonderful winter season! Danceline has finished their season and wrestling is having Round 1 Team Tournaments here on Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, Minneota wrestlers are rated #1! Sections and Semi Finals will be held at YME. Girls Basketball is nearing the end of a good season also. Seedings will be coming out on Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>. The Boys Basketball team is currently leading in their division! The Mock Trial team has advanced once again!

6. **High School Report** – We had students participate in the State Foods Competition and take 3<sup>rd</sup> place!

Students have turned in their pre-registration for classes next year. Mr. Griepentrog and Mrs. Bowen will be going through and start figuring out where our numbers are going to be for next year. NHS raised \$422.00 for a Penny's for Patients fundraiser. The Student Council raised \$120.00 for their Valentine's fundraiser, selling cans of orange crush. Mr. Griepentrog says that classroom observations are going well. All students in the FCCLA group are advancing to State. Knowledge Bowl and Mock Trial are both doing very well in competition also! Mr. Griepentrog gave a Community Ed report on money collected for elementary volleyball, elementary basketball (girls and boys), and elementary craft classes.

7. **Superintendent's Report** – Mr. Deitte attended a Law Seminar. It is "I Love to Read" month and Mr. Deitte was the guest reader one day! Mr. Deitte observed a special lesson taught by Kelley Fransman and found it well planned. The MSBA conference was another very good conference. Mr. Deitte along with Larry Buysse and Ruth Bot attended a workshop on Operating Referendums in St. Cloud.

The administration has recently finished conducting a School Climate Survey, which they will be going through the results of soon. Mr. Deitte indicated that he did sign off on final completion of the HVAC project.

He has been working with Jeanette on next year's budget.

Jon Oestreich has started his student teaching and has mentioned some of his ideas for next year. He did indicate that he would be interested in starting up an FFA program here.

Mr. Deitte, along with Dawn VanKeulen and Larry Buysse attended a Negotiations meeting for school board members.

8. **State and Federal Legislative Updates** – Mr. Deitte gave updates.

#### IV. New Business

##### 1.0 Students

- 1.1 Motion by Dodie Derynck, seconded by Dawn VanKeulen to approve the Open Enrollments as presented. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

##### 2.0 Personnel

- 2.1 Motion by Christy Brewers, seconded by Larry Buysse to approve the medical leave of absence request for Neal Ingebrigtsen as presented. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 2.2 Reading of Proclamation recognizing school board members.
- 2.3 Motion by Dodie Derynck, seconded by Doug Spanton to grant FMLA leave to Denise Buysse as requested. **AYE:** Dodie Derynck, Dan Longtin, Doug Spanton, Dawn VanKeulen, Larry Buysse. **ABSTAINED:** Christy Brewers
- 2.4 Motion by Larry Buysse, seconded by Dodie Derynck to allow payment for services to Karla Olson and Heidi Boerboom for ½ hour per day, 2 to 3 days per week, to help students in need of math and reading study to help pass the GRAD test coming up in April. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 2.5 Motion by Dawn VanKeulen, seconded by Christy Brewers to appoint Dan Deitte as designee representative for Meet and Confer. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

##### 3.0 Business Affair

- 3.1 Motion by Dodie Derynck, seconded by Christy Brewers to grant permission to the amateur baseball team to use the baseball field, with the understanding that they pay for the electricity to run the lights and clean up after themselves and keep up the baseball diamond. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 3.2 Federal Advocacy Resolution in relation to No Child Left Behind. **NO ACTION**
- 3.3 Information/Discussion on MREA (Minnesota Rural Education Association). Lee Warne will be invited to the regular board meeting in June.

- 3.4 Discussion on the shared services meeting; proposed shared calendars for 2009-2010.
- 3.5 Discussion on the need for strategic planning in our district. Meeting set for April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm.
- 3.6 Motion by Dawn VanKeulen, seconded by Dodie Derynck to approve the Assurance of Compliance with State and Federal Law Prohibiting Discrimination. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 3.7 Motion by Larry Buysse, seconded by Christy Brewers to approve the Resolution Directing the Administration to Make Recommendations For Reductions in Programs and Positions and Reasons Therefore. **AYES:** Christy Brewers, Larry Buysse, Dodie Derynck, Dawn VanKeulen, Dan Longtin and Doug Spanton.
- 3.8 Discussion on the Resolution Providing that School Board General Elections Held After 2008 Shall Be Held in the Even Numbered Years; Establishing a Transition Plan. An article will be put in the paper to illicit public opinion.
- 3.9 Motion by Dawn VanKeulen, seconded by Dodie Derynck to set the next regular board meeting for Monday, March 23, 2009 at 7:00 pm. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 3.10 Motion by Dodie Derynck, seconded by Christy Brewers to Approve the 2009-2010 District Calendar starting September 8, 2009; going with the second calendar, starting September 1, 2009, if the state allows schools to start before Labor Day. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**4.0 Building and Grounds**

- 4.1 Update on building projects.
- 4.2 Update on heating/cooling issues in the wrestling room.
- 4.3 Discussion on landscape quotes that were presented. Further information will be gathered and presented in March.

**Meetings and Dates –**

- February 23, 2009 @ 3:30 pm      Finance Meeting
- March 23, 2009 @ 7:00 pm      Regular Board Meeting
- April 2, 2009 @ 7:00 pm      Strategic Planning Meeting

**VI. Old Business –**

**VII. Items for Future Agendas –**

- VII. Adjournment –** Motion by Doug Spanton, seconded by Dodie Derynck to adjourn at 9:30 pm.  
**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

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Larry Buysse, Chair

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Dawn VanKeulen, Clerk