

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #414
MINNEOTA SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
LARRY BUYSSE, CHAIR
Monday, December 21, 2009
7:30 P.M.**

I. Regular Order of Business

1. Call to Order
The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Larry Buysse.
2. Roll Call
MEMBERS PRESENT: Larry Buysse, Christy Brewers, Dan Longtin, Doug Spanton. Absent: Dawn VanKeulen, and Dodie Derynck.
ADMINISTRATION: Supt. Dan Deitte, Elementary Principal/Athletic Director, Harlen Ulrich, High School Principal, Todd Griepentrog.
GUESTS: Linette Nelson, Ruth Bot, Byron Higgin, 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 Christy Brewers, to adopt the agenda as presented with the addition of Truth and Taxation minutes from December 15th, 2009, and agenda items: 2.4, 2.5, 3.5, 5.0. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
2. Motion by Doug Spanton, seconded by Larry Buysse to approve the minutes from the November 17th regular meeting and the December 15th Truth and Taxation meeting. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

3. Approval of Bills: Represents finance check #'s 32917-32931, 32932-33023

General Fund	\$ 393,197.43
Food Service	15,405.45
Community Service	189.54
Building Construction	0
Debt Redemption	0
Trust Account	<u>0</u>
Total	\$ 408,792.42

Motion by Larry Buysse, seconded by Christy Brewers to approve payment of bills as presented.
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

III. Reports

1. **Financial Reports** – Reviewed (Receipt #'s 15777-15843)
2. **Food Service Report** – Reviewed
3. **High School Activity Account** - Reviewed
4. **Elementary/AD Report** – Mr. Ulrich stated that the Parent Teacher conferences held on November 19th and 23rd had close to 96-97% attendance. This was great attendance as usual. The Christmas concert went very well with the splitting of K – 3 and 4 – 6. There was only one performance this year, which seemed to be fine. The students in grades 4 – 8 will be taking the preliminary geography bee test, with finals to be taken on January 11, 2010. The students have been donating food for the food shelf tree, which will be taken to the food shelf in Marshall just before Christmas. We had the second round of the H1N1 shots given today, Dec. 21, and Mr. Ulrich felt that all went very well. On January 5, 2010 there will be a Young Writers Conference held at the SW/WC Service Co-Op. We will have several students attending that.
Fall sports wrapped up with a tremendous ending! The fall sports awards night will be held on December 22, at 7:30 pm. Winter sports are all well into their seasons now already, with holiday tournaments coming up over the holiday break. Mr. Ulrich wanted to thank everyone from the staff, administration, students, parents, and all fans for all of the support during the State Tournaments, he appreciates it very much.

- 5. High School Report** – Mr. Griepentrog stated that the musical “Grease” was a success! There is a leadership team made up of teachers and staff to work on improving MCA test scores. Mr. Griepentrog will be meeting with past graduates on December 23, to visit with them about how our school prepared them for life after graduation. The student council has planned activities for the afternoon on the last day of school before the holiday break. The Junior High Knowledgebowl team will be sending 2 teams to regions! Speech, Mock Trial and Senior High Knowledgebowl are starting up. The FCCLA has a mitten tree, with mittens to be donated locally to those in need. The FFA has recently done a food drive.
- 6. Superintendent’s Report** – The MSBA Conference is coming up January 14 & 15. Mr. Deitte along with a few board members will be attending. Senator Fredrickson came and spoke to Mrs. Liljenquist’s Civics class. He met with Mr. Deitte for about a half hour visit afterwards. Mr. Deitte felt it was a good discussion. We will need to begin laying the groundwork for the upcoming November referendum. 4.0 has been taking care of the van upkeep and Mr. Deitte feels this is going very well! The snow day we had on December 9th, will be made up on President’s Day, February 15, 2010. There was a Special Education Monitor here to visit our Special Ed department and that all went very well. Staff continues to focus on Q-Comp and test scores during the dates that have been allowed for late starts. Minneota has won another Bronze award from US News and World Report for the second year in a row! Mr. Deitte has done some comparisons with other districts in the area on teachers settlements. Looks like Minneota falls in line what most other districts are doing. The FFA program is up and running with 21 students currently.

IV. **New Business**

1.0 Students

- 1.1** Motion by Christy Brewers, seconded by Doug Spanton to approve the Open Enrollments as presented. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

2.0 Personnel

- 2.1** Motion by Christy Brewers, seconded Dan Longtin to accept the resignations, with appreciation of Sarah Clayton and Heather Maher, as Junior High Volleyball coaches. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 2.2** Recognition of Dawn VanKeulen for completing 100 or more hours of attendance at MSBA and NSBA sponsored meetings and activities within a four-year period of time.
- 2.3** Motion by Larry Buysse, seconded by Christy Brewers to approve the contract with Jeanette Sharp, as presented for 2010 in coordination with the PERA Phase-Out program. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 2.4** Motion by Christy Brewers, seconded by Doug Spanton to approve the medical leave request as requested by Pat Myhre. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 2.5** Motion by Larry Buysse, seconded by Christy Brewers to approve the medical leave request as requested by Denise Buysse. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

3.0 Business Affairs

- 3.1** Motion by Larry Buysse, seconded by Dan Longtin to approve the final Levy Limitation and Certification 2009 pay 2010 at a total of \$718,933.67. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 3.2** Motion by Larry Buysse, seconded by Dan Longtin to approve going ahead with the Race To The Top application. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 3.3** Legislative Update
- 3.4** Motion by Doug Spanton, seconded by Christy Brewers to approve the Flexible Learning Year hearings scheduled for: January 11, January 19, and January 25. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 3.5** Motion by Larry Buysse, seconded by Doug Spanton to approve a 2% raise for all hourly staff. There will be no change to the steps or lanes, just 2% added to the hourly comparable worth schedule. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

4.0 Building and Grounds

- 4.1** Update on Football and Baseball bleachers.
- 4.2** Update/Discussion on Wiring and Printer/Copier audit.

Motion by Larry Buysse, seconded by Doug Spanton at 9:15 pm, to move into closed session.

5.0 Closed Session – Tape recorded session.

Motion by Larry Buysse, seconded by Christy Brewers to move back into open session at 9:34 pm.

Meetings and Dates –

- January 7, 2010 @ 7:00 pm Organizational Meeting
- January 25, 2010 @ 7:00 pm Regular Board Meeting

VI. Old Business –

VII. Items for Future Agendas –

VII. Adjournment – Motion by Doug Spanton, seconded by Dan Longtin to adjourn at 9:38 pm.
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Larry Buysse, Chair

Dawn VanKeulen, Clerk