

**Official Minutes**  
Monthly Business Meeting  
October 11, 2023

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 227, Olmsted, Fillmore, and Winona Counties was held on Wednesday October 11, 2023. Chair Priebe called the meeting order at 7:08 pm.

**Clerk's Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance**

Present: Priebe, Keefe, Thompson, Harstad, Johnsrud and Sovinski.

Absent: None

All present rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of the Agenda**

Add

7. Reports

- a. FY23 Audit

8. Consent Items (approval)

- b. New Hires
  - ii. Alissa Bauman – Valleyland Teacher
  - iii. Scott Schmaltz – 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Coach
  - iv. Jeff DeBurh – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Coach
- c. Resignations
  - ii. Cheryl Newman – ES Paraprofessional

Remove

10. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of District Policies (approval)

- a. 504 Student Appearance (substantially revised)

11. Action Items (approval)

- a. Approve 2023-2025 Chatfield Education Association Collective Bargaining Agreement.
- b. 504 Student Appearance (substantially revised)

Motion by Keefe, second by Harstad to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 6-0.

### **Approval of Claims and Accounts**

Treasurer Harstad indicated that the claims and accounts appeared to be in order. Motion to approve claims and accounts made by Harstad, seconded by Thompson. Motion carried 6-0.

### **District Patron Time**

None

### **Reports**

#### Auditor Jason Boyton

Presented the FY23 Audit to the board. Has a clear opinion of the financial statement. Everything went very smoothly.

#### Student Senate Olivia McBroom & Kayla Novotny

Homecoming week was great. There was good participation for dress up days and evening activities. Good turnout at the dance as well. Looking forward to their next meeting to find out what their upcoming activities will be.

#### Activities Director Dan Schindler

Regan is doing a great job transitioning into her new position as activities assistant. Trophy cases were cleaned and organized over the summer, have had a lot of compliments on this. Spoke about online registration for sports as well as coach videos in place of a parent meeting. This has gone very well, and they plan to continue this practice. Retired uniform sale went better than expected. Fall team numbers are great and all teams are doing very well so far. There are many activities going on all the time, and we look forward to the transition to upcoming winter sports.

#### Community Education Director LuAnn Kleven

Valleyland staffing is getting better but continues to be an issue. They are in need of more high school help with the upcoming winter sport season. The numbers for preschool are up for this year. Preschool has had a good start to the school year. LuAnn spoke about the Social Emotional Learning program – very excited about how this program is going so far and has had very positive feedback. Summer Rec programs had more participation this year. LuAnn thanked all involved.

#### Tom Keefe (SB)

Member Keefe spoke about Hiawatha education District (HVED). All districts have approved. Moving forward with a purchase agreement to buy the Winona Mall site.

#### Josh Thompson (SB)

Working on negotiations with principals

#### Jill Harstad (SB)

Working on negotiations with principals. Attended a community education meeting. LuAnn to cover details in her report.

Katie Priebe (SB Chair)

Shane McBroom (K-6 Principal)

Presented submitted report. Mr. McBroom offered condolences to the Bernard family and expressed how impressed he has been at the staff at Bernard Bus for a smooth go. Homecoming pep fest at the Elementary School went very well. Kids were all very excited. Fire Prevention week is kicking off. A lot of learning activities for the students are planned. Looking forward to seeing families in the upcoming parent-teacher conferences.

Eric Nelson (7-12 Principal)

Presented submitted report. Mr. Nelson acknowledged his appreciation for the work Mike Bernard did for our district and offered condolences to the family. MnMTSS structures continue to be put in place. Chatfield Highschool has worked hard to establish a series of structures to best serve our students. A curriculum study group is being formed to recommend changes needed to meet new Legislative mandates.

Ed Harris (Superintendent)

Mr. Harris offered condolences to the family of Mike Bernard who passed away the previous Saturday. He then thanked the auditors and Trista O'Connor for a good audit report, and all involved in the teacher contract negotiations. The Facility Study Group met and talked with the architects from ISG about different concepts presented. We are moving towards a community survey.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Thompson, second by Harstad to approve the consent agenda as amended.  
Motion carried 6-0.

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading of District Policies**

Chair Priebe advised that the following district policies are before the board for their first reading. The Board should direct any questions that they may have to Mr. Harris.

- a. 713 Student Activity Accounting
- b. 714 Fund Balances
- c. 720 Vending Machines

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of District Policies**

Motion by Sovinski, second by Johnsrud to approve the following policies:

- a. 710 Extracurricular Transportation
- b. 711 Video Recording on bus
- c. 712 Video Surveillance

Motion carried 6-0.

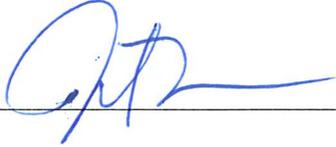
**Action Items**

- a. Motion by Keefe, second by Thompson to Approve 2023-2025 Chatfield Education Association Collective Bargaining Agreement. Motion carried 5-0. Johnsrud abstained.

- b. Motion by Keefe, second by Sovinski to postpone approval of 2<sup>nd</sup> reading item a 504 Student Appearance (substantially revised) until further review. Motion carried 6-0

**Adjournment**

Motion by Keefe, second by Thompson to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM

/s/  \_\_\_\_\_  
Board Clerk