

Regular Board Meeting
Independent School District 564 – Board of Education
January 23, 2023
6:00 p.m.
DSC Board Room

A Regular Meeting of Independent School District #564 Board of Education was held on Monday, January 23, 2023, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the DSC Board Room. The following board members were present: Ryan Walseth, Misty Hempel, Mike Spears, Wayne Nomeland, and Michelle Westerman. Absent: Chris Melbye and Kayla Lian.

Staff members present were: Dr. Paula Henry, Melissa Bushy, Holly Ward, Sara Olson, Robert Fay, Kylee Skime, Lauren Johnson, Dr. Tony Greene, Mike Wiene, and Scott Brekke.

Also present were: Coby Skjerven, Tanya Monson-Ek, Mike Lorensen, Marlene Anderson, and Dave Hill.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Chair Walseth called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Treasurer Westerman confirmed that a quorum was present.

A motion was made by Wayne Nomeland and seconded by Mike Spears to approve the January 23, 2023 agenda, as amended. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Misty Hempel and seconded by Mike Spears to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2023 regular school board meeting, as presented. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mike Spears and seconded by Ryan Walseth to approve the bills as submitted and on file in the School District Business Office. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

- A. Mike Lorensen submitted public comment regarding traffic at Challenger Elementary School.

Presentations:

- A. Robert Fay presented on CES & FMS Robotics.
- B. Tanya Monson-Ek gave a presentation on Minnesota Education Finance.

Reports:

A. Student Report:

- 1. LHS Senior, Coby Skjerven, provided an update on student life at LHS.

B. Superintendent's Report:

- 1. Dr. Henry gave an overview on the Long Term Planning and Advisory Committee that has been formed for our operating referendum plans going forward. The LTPAC has been meeting monthly since September 2022. This is a collaborative process and an open meeting to the public. The school district is working with Todd Rapp from Rapp Strategies. Todd has successfully helped districts through the levy process for many years. We will develop a plan for ongoing information to the community and opportunities to hear their input.

Recognitions:

- A. Recognize the donation from ARGO to the Prowler Pantry totaling \$170.
- B. Recognize the donation from Elevate Youth Center to ISD 564 Food Service unpaid lunch accounts totaling \$7,301.

Business Action Items:

- A. A motion was made by Mike Spears and seconded by Misty Hempel to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, and as appropriate, per negotiated contract, salary and benefits and an acceptable background check. Motion carried.

Personnel:

- 1. Accept the resignation of **Kelly Van Schaick**, Administrative Support, effective January 20, 2023.
- 2. Approve the employment of **Marley Nelson**, Business Teacher, LHS, effective January 16, 2023 - May 29, 2023.
- 3. Approve the employment of **Jersey Johnson**, Lifeguard, effective January 10, 2023.
- 4. Approve the employment of **Cole Hunt**, District Wide Maintenance, effective January 23, 2023.
- 5. Approve the employment of **Rachel Hatherlee**, Special Education Paraprofessional, effective January 23, 2023.
- 6. Approve the employment of **Grace Halvorson**, Kitchen Helper, effective January 30, 2023.

- B. A motion was made by Wayne Nomeland and seconded by Michelle Westerman to approve the following Mid-Year Lane changes effective February 1, 2023, for the following individuals per Article X. Employment Rates and Conditions, Section 10, Subd. 4 of the Master Agreement with the Thief River Falls Education Association: Motion carried.

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
1. Stephanie Kainz	MA30/Step 16	MA40/Step 16
2. Reid Froiland	MA10/Top	MA20/Top
3. Margaret Bartz	MA30/Step 13	MA40/Step 13
4. Daniel Christensen	BA30/Step 14	BA40/Step 14
5. Lauren Johnson	BA10/Step 11	BA20/Step 11
6. Kylie Skime	BA10/Step 5	BA20/Step 5
7. Andrea Volk	MA10/15 years	MA20/16 years

- C. Approve the following Mid-Year Step Increment changes effective February 1, 2023, per Article X, Section 17 of the negotiated TRFEA Master Agreement: Motion carried.

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
1. Kirsten Jansen	MA/14 years	MA/15 years
2. Erica Motteberg	MA/15 years	MA/16 years
3. Carley Nelson	MA/8 years	MA/9 years
4. Jill Solberg	BA/3 years	BA/4 years
5. Andrea Volk	MA10/15 years	MA20/16 years
6. Melora Bergee	MA40/4 years	MA40/5 years

D. A motion was made by Michelle Westerman and seconded by Wayne Nomeland to approve the following 2023 Extra-Curricular Assignments: Motion carried.

1. Dalia Englund-Student Council-MS

Strong Fiscal Management:

A. A motion was made by Mike Spears and seconded by Michelle Westerman to approve the Resolution to accept the donations received for the benefit of the district as designated. Upon a roll call vote, the following voted in favor of: Walseth, Spears, Hempel, and Westerman, and Nomeland. Absent: Lian and Melbye. Motion carried.

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 123B.02, Subd. 6 provides: “The board may receive, for the benefit of the district, bequests, donations, or gifts for any proper purpose and apply the same to the purpose designated. In that behalf, the board may act as trustee of any trust created for the benefit of the district, or for the benefit of pupils thereof, including trusts created to provide pupils of the district with advanced education after completion of high school, in the advancement of education.”; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 465.03 provides: “Any city, county, school district or town may accept a grant or devise of real or personal property and maintain such property for the benefit of its citizens in accordance with the terms prescribed by the donor. Nothing herein shall authorize such acceptance or use for religious or sectarian purposes. Every such acceptance shall be by resolution of the governing body adopted by a two-thirds majority of its members, expressing such terms in full.; and

WHEREAS, every such acceptance shall be by resolution of the by the governing body adopted by a two-thirds majority of its members, expressing such terms in full;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the School Board of Thief River Falls Public School District, ISD 564, gratefully accepts the following donations as identified below:

Donor	Item	Designated Purpose (if any)
ARGO	\$170	Prowler Panty
Elevate Youth Center	\$7,301	ISD 564 Food Service unpaid lunch accounts

Policies:

A. A motion was made by Misty Hempel and seconded by Wayne Nomeland to approve the adoption of **MSBA 707 Transportation of Public Students** policy. Motion carried.

Other:

- A. ISD 564 School Board Special Meeting, February 2, 2023 @ 5 pm, DSC Board Room.
- B. ISD 564 School Board Special Meeting, February 7, 2023 @ 8:30 am, DSC Board Room.
- C. Long Term Planning Advisory Committee meeting - Thursday, February 9, 2023 @ 7 am, LHS Training Center
- D. ISD 564 School Board Special Meeting, February 10, 2023 @ 8:30 am, DSC Board Room.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

/s/
Ryan Walseth, Chair

/s/
Chris Melbye, Clerk