

MOHALL LANSFORD SHERWOOD
BOARD OF EDUCATION PROCEEDINGS
REGULAR MEETING – November 14, 2023
MLS BOARD ROOM/STEM ROOM – 7:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Thurstan Johnson, President; Matt Undlin, Roger Hutchinson, Andrew Grondahl, Vance Undlin, Terry Savelkoul. ABSENT: Sheldon Ackerson. ADM: Keith Campbell, Janet Asheim, and Heidi Newgard. OTHERS: Trevor Savelkoul, Kim Brown, Kalli Smith.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 a.m. by President Johnson. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion made by Mr. Terry Savelkoul, second by Mr. Hutchinson to approve the October 10th, 2023 regular board meeting minutes. M/C. Motion made by Mr. Vance Undlin to approve the September financials, second by Mr. Hutchinson. M/C. Motion made by Mr. Matt Undlin, second by Mr. Grondahl to approve the October financial reports and payment of the accounts payables as presented. M/C.

ADM. REPORTS:

- A. Mrs. Asheim, Elementary Principal: Family Night was last night, After School Program has started back up for the school year; NCEC worked with para educators. A number of teachers attended a COGNIA (School Improvement) Training in Bismarck last week. We have gained 5 new students in the elementary in the past month, causing us to consider adding an additional para. North Dakota has implemented and invested in a Para to Teacher pathway. At this time we have two paras that are taking classes towards becoming teachers.
 - a. Mrs. Brown shared with us a little about Reading Corp, which is a part of the AmeriCorp Program. Beth Schoenberg is the program tutor for MLS. She is not an employee or para for the school, but a volunteer. This has been a great program to help provide additional support and early intervention for elementary students. The past three years have been funded by SEEC, however in the future we may be expected to pick up more of the costs depending on available funding. Typically volunteers are capped at a maximum of 4 years with the program, therefore next year will be Beth's last year.
- B. Mrs. Newgard, High School Principal: Fall Activities Banquet is tonight, Christmas for Kids is this upcoming Sunday. Mr. Bjornson and Miss Genareo both went to a reading training. Mrs. Newgard is planning on attending a Consortium Principal PLC next Tuesday. Fargo Public has someone on staff to help other schools transition to standards based grading. There are currently 3 teachers that need reviews completed

by December 15th. Due to some scheduling conflicts this year with basketball, the MLS Christmas Program will be Saturday, December 9th at 11 a.m.

- C. Mr. Trevor Savelkoul, Athletic Director: Junior High Basketball had their first games last week. Girls Basketball started yesterday and we have 13 girls that have signed up. We still need a new shot clock person for home games, and an official scorebook for homegames as well. If you happen to know of anyone that may be interested, please have them contact Mr. Trevor Savelkoul.
- D. Mr. Campbell, Superintendent: Update was given on the NDSBA Annual Convention in Bismarck on October 26th & 27th. Claudia Dean and two board members were in attendance as well. We held a Bus Driver Workshop on Wednesday, October 11th and it was well attended. Drivers that didn't attend this workshop can still take an online call to fulfill the 3-hours of training that is required each year. Our renewal of General Liability, Auto and Boiler Insurance with Citizen Insurance came to \$21,664 this year for the annual renewal. We had a Critical Infrastructure Assessment visit on November 7th. The Veterans' Day Celebration was held at MLS gym on November 11th. The snow plow is in and installed on the school pickup. The annual inspection for the schools' boiler is being completed today. Currently the administration is working on completing a Data Collection for the Office of Civil Rights right now.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

A. SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION:

- a. President Johnon shared the following comments on behalf of the board:
 - 1. Superintendent Campbell's self-evaluation was well done and very honest. You are doing a wonderful job. One comment he noted: "you got us through COVID extraordinarily well." Your honesty and open-door policy is greatly appreciated. We are happy to have you at the school and in our community.
- ii. Business & Fiscal Management – Motion made by Terry Savelkoul, second by Roger Hutchinson to cast as satisfactory. M/C.
- iii. Community & Public Relations – Motion made by Roger Hutchinson, second by Vance Undlin to cast as satisfactory. M/C.
- iv. Comprehensive Planning – Motion made by Matt Undlin, second by Andy Grondahl to cast as satisfactory. M/C.
- v. Curriculum – Motion made by Terry Savelkoul, second by Roger Hutchinson to cast as satisfactory. M/C
- vi. Facilities Management – Motion made by Andy Grondahl, second by Vance Undlin to cast as satisfactory. M/C.

- vii. Student Services – Motion made by Roger Hutchinson, second by Matt Undlin to cast as satisfactory. M/C.
 - viii. Professional & Personal Development – Motion made by Vance Undlin, second by Andy Grondahl to cast as satisfactory. M/C.
 - ix. Board Relationships – Motion made by Terry Savelkoul, second by Roger Hutchinson to cast as satisfactory. M/C.
 - x. Staff & Personnel Management – Motion made by Andy Grondahl, second by Matt Undlin to cast as satisfactory. M/C.
- B. RESIGNATION: Supt. Campbell recommends the board accept the following resignations:
- a. Heather Volk, JH Girls Basketball Coach. Motion made by Roger Hutchinson, second by Matt Undlin to approve the resignation. M/C.
- C. HIRING: Supt. Campbell recommends the following hires:
- a. Leigh Rice, Assistant Cook position – Was hired temporarily on 10/11/23. Motion by Andy Grondahl, second by Roger Hutchinson to approve the hiring of Leigh Rice as Assistant Cook. M/C.
 - b. Allison Jordan – Motion made by Roger Hutchinson, second by Vance Undlin to hire Allison Jordan as the new JH Girls Basketball Coach. M/C.
- D. AUDIT FINDINGS: The audit went fairly smooth and well yesterday. Auditors are still working to finish up the audit, but most everything was completed onsite in the one day. There are a couple things that Claudia Dean needs to follow up on and have a couple of entities verify some information, but it went well.
- E. COACHING ADVERTISEMENTS – Spring sports will be here before long. It was asked whether we should begin advertising for spring coaching positions now. Discussion was made to have the co-op get together to discuss. Motion was made by Andy Grondahl, second by Matt Undlin to refer this to the Extracurricular Committee for further discussion and report back with a recommendation. M/C. Extracurricular Committee includes: Matt Undlin, Terry Savelkoul, & Roger Hutchinson.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held Tuesday, December 12th, 2023 at 7:00 a.m. Motion was made by Mr. Terry Savelkoul, second by Mr. Roger Hutchinson to adjourn the meeting. M/C.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 a.m.

Thurstan Johnson, President
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Claudia Dean, Business Manager
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