

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2859  
PLACE: GSL High School Media Center  
DATE: February 13, 2012  
TIME: 7:00 p.m.

Board Chair Christianson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Lindeman, Alsleben, Schreifels, Kuester, Christianson, and Twiss. In addition, Superintendent Chris Sonju; Business Manager Michelle Sander; Principals Bill Butler, Michelle Wang, and Paul Sparby; teacher representatives from Education Minnesota: GSL; GSL students; GSL High School Social Studies Teacher and Mock Trial Advisor Tom Schoper, Attorney Mentor Dennis Twiss, and Members of the Mock Trial Team: Mary Roach, Shannon Twiss, Galen Schnabel, Ismael Calderon, and Mitchel Polzin; Student Government Representatives Michael Skoglund, Carmen Koralewski, and Kaylee Kruschke; Greg Rolander; Technology Staff Mike Morris; and Superintendent's Secretary Dawn Peterson were in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The following announcements were made:

**Next School Board Meeting:** The next regular School Board meeting will be on Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at GSL Lakeside Elementary School in Silver Lake.

School Board members were acknowledged with a certificate from Superintendent Sonju in recognition of School Board Recognition Week, February 20-24, 2012.

No public input relating to the agenda was given.

Mock Trial Advisor Schoper and students from the Mock Trial Team gave a demonstration to the Board. Attorney Mentor Twiss served as a judge during the demonstration.

Business Manager Sander presented to the Board.

Principals Butler, Wang, and Sparby presented to the Board.

Student Government/Student Activities Representatives Skoglund, Koralewski, and Kruschke presented to the Board.

Superintendent Sonju reported we are looking at offering a summer school program to include remediation and challenging activities, too; and told the Board we started a summer school program on a small basis last year with elementary kids, but are looking to expand; said the Glencoe Expo will take place this coming weekend and GSL will have a booth; told Board members we are working on an electronic survey to be available on the school's website in order to obtain more data from the public; District Office staff is working on updating employee job descriptions; the next Community Schools meeting will be held on Thursday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>, and he challenged our businesses to get into our schools through Community Schools; reported he has the opportunity to bring a couple of kids with him to Rotary meetings each week; said kids are gearing up for the second trimester; reminded the Board of the upcoming Spring Break in March; and said the public should remember to watch the weather for early outs and – even though we have had a wonderful winter, we still have more winter to go through.

Committee reports were given by Director Twiss about the ECFE Advisory Committee; by Director Alsleben about the Community Education Advisory Council; by Board Chair Christianson and Director Twiss about an Elementary Leadership meeting; and Director Christianson provided an update on negotiations with Education Minnesota: GSL.

Director Alsleben moved to approve the agenda with the addendum to the agenda of Gary Vanderbilt's resignation and settlement agreement. Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss moved to approve the consent agenda. Director Lindeman seconded. Approved unanimously.

***Bills:***

January bills are on file and available for review at the Superintendent's Office, 1621 East 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Glencoe.

***Minutes:***

Regular Board Meeting minutes of January 9, 2012.

**Transfer:**

Greg Fleck, 6.5-hour-a-day Paraprofessional in the Special Education Program at Helen Baker Elementary School, to 6.5-hour-a-day Paraprofessional in the Special Education Program at GSL Lakeside Elementary School (schedules will be rearranged to meet the needs of a new student at Lakeside).

**Resignation:**

Jeff Jenson as Head Boys’ Soccer Coach.

**Extracurricular Assignment:**

Lisa Eischens as Junior High Gymnastics Coach (replaces Kim Bender who resigned).

Director Lindeman moved to approve advertising to receive sealed bids for the Lincoln window replacement project, the high school north entrance windows and doors, and the replacement of the gym floor in gyms 1 and 2 at the Field House. Bids are to be received by March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Drawings of the project will be available beginning on February 14<sup>th</sup> from Architects Rego + Youngquist. A pre-bid meeting will be held on February 29<sup>th</sup>. Director Schreifels seconded. Approved unanimously.

Member Twiss introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT DONATIONS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District #2859, Glencoe-Silver Lake, as follows:

That the following donations be accepted with appreciation:

Donor	Item Donated	Designation
Silver Lake Lions	\$250.00	Close-up
Brownton Lions	\$400.00	Close-up
Taylor Lepel Memorial Foundation	\$500.00	Gymnastics Mats
Taylor Lepel Memorial Foundation	\$200.00	Gymnastics
Taylor Lepel Memorial Foundation	\$200.00	Softball
Silver Lake Lions	\$100.00	Lions Quest
Brownton Lions	\$175.00	Lions Quest
Plato Fire Department	\$1,500.00	Close-up
Stevens Seminary	\$4,800.00	Close-up
Silver Lake Civic Association	\$500.00	Close-up
Glencoe VFW Post #5102	\$1,920.00	Spring Concert

The motion for the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Alsleben, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Lindeman, Alsleben, Schreifels, Kuester, Christianson, and Twiss.

The following voted against the same: None.

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Director Kuester moved to approve the resignation and settlement agreement with Gary Vanderbilt, Special Education Teacher at GSL High School, effective immediately. Director Schreifels seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Alsleben acknowledged the death of Bob Hartelt, a former Glencoe School Board member.

Director Schreifels moved to adjourn at 8:13 p.m. Director Alsleben seconded. Approved unanimously.

Approved (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk

Chair