

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2859
PLACE: Lincoln Meeting Room (Room 124)
DATE: October 13, 2014
TIME: 7:00 p.m.

Board Chair Christianson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Lindeman, VonBerge, Kuester, Alsleben, Christianson, and Twiss. In addition, Superintendent Chris Sonju; Business Manager Michelle Sander; Principals Bill Butler and Paul Sparby; Industrial Technology Teacher/Supermileage Advisor Mike Sundblad, students Kole Polzin, Martin Mallak, and others; Auditor Kim Hillberg from CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP; 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, Nov. 10th at 7:00 p.m. in the Lincoln Meeting Room (Room 124).

Truth in Taxation Hearing: The Glencoe-Silver Lake School District will hold its Truth in Taxation Hearing prior to the regularly-scheduled December 8th School Board meeting in the Lincoln Meeting Room (Room 124) beginning at 6:01 p.m. The levy will be certified at the regular Board meeting at 7:00 p.m. that same evening.

No input relating to the agenda was given.

Auditor Hillberg reported on the audit.

Mr. Sundblad reported on the proposed engineering and Supermileage field trip in May of 2015.

Business Manager Sander reported to the Board.

Principals Butler and Sparby reported to the Board.

Principals Butler and Sparby presented information about MMR test scores.

Superintendent Sonju thanked the administration for putting the MMR test score information together; said it's time for our staff and students to celebrate the test scores but said we should not be satisfied; told the Board the school year is off to a great start; reported it's been busy at GSL and said, for example, last Thursday we hosted the Conference cross country meet, plus there was soccer, volleyball, and football at the same time; said the cross country meet started off with the national anthem and the entire mass of kids paid their respect to the flag and placed their hands over their hearts; said great things are happening with the MMR scores but that doesn't cover the cultural part of GSL; reminded Board members about the Minnesota School Boards Association's Leadership Conference on January 15 and 16, 2015 and announced the GSL Concert Band will be playing during the opening session on that Thursday; told the Board it's a great opportunity for our kids to show off their talents; thanked Business Manager Sander for her work with the audit and her tennis court presentation made to Rotary last week; thanked the Board for their support of our PLC process, and said it's going really well.

Committee reports were given by Director Twiss about an ECFE Advisory Committee meeting and a Lakeside School Improvement Team meeting; by Director VonBerge about a High School Leadership Team meeting; by Director Alsleben about a Finance Committee meeting; and by Directors Alsleben and Lindeman about a Facilities Committee meeting.

Director Alsleben moved to approve the agenda. Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss moved to approve the consent agenda:

Bills:

September bills are on file and available for review at the Superintendent's Office, 1621 East 16th Street, Glencoe.

Minutes:

Regular Board Meeting minutes of September 8, 2014.

Hirings:

Julie Fillbrandt as 6.5-hour-a-day Substitute Paraprofessional in the Special Education Program at Helen Baker Elementary School during Kelly Otto's FMLA Leave.
Deb Schiroo as 24-hour-a-week Substitute Early Childhood Family Education/School Readiness Secretary during Megan Nelson's FMLA Leave.

Leave Request:
Mona Ewald, Activities Director's/Attendance Secretary, for three weeks of Medical Leave beginning on October 6, 2014.

Extracurricular Assignment:
Kraig Terlinden as Assistant Football Coach (paid for by Football Fund 10).

Director Lindeman seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director VonBerge moved to approve the engineering field trip to Kansas City, KS in May of 2015 for students from the engineering classes and the Supermileage Team from Wednesday, May 6th, to Sunday, May 10th, and to approve the group holding fundraisers to help offset the costs for those students who would have difficulty paying for this trip. Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Alsleben moved to approve and submit the Assurance of Compliance as required by statute. Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss moved to approve the Crisis Plan as revised for the 2014-2015 school year. Director Lindeman seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Alsleben moved to post the Education Minnesota: GSL seniority list for 20 days. Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Lindeman moved to post the Local #284 seniority list for 20 days. Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director VonBerge moved to approve hiring a 6.5-hour-a-day Paraprofessional to work in the Special Education Program at Helen Baker Elementary School due to a kindergarten student's IEP. Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss moved to post for a Speech Language Pathologist to be hired by the GSL School District because the SW/WC Service Cooperative has been unable to find an individual to provide services to GSL. Director Lindeman seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Alsleben moved to adopt the resolution supporting the district application to the Minnesota State High School League Foundation for reimbursement of activity fees from students who qualify for free and reduced lunches as submitted by Activities Director Schwartz. Director Lindeman seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Kuester moved to adopt the limited expansion of the school district's transportation for students in K-6 (residing greater than one-half mile from their school) and junior high students (residing greater than one mile from their school) under the conditions specified for the 2014-2015 school year only beginning on November 24, 2014, and concluding on March 27, 2015, at no additional cost to the school district. Director Alsleben seconded. Approved unanimously.

Member VonBerge 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 American Legion Post #141	\$500.00	US Military History Trip
GSL Panther Association	\$20,000.00	Tennis Court Lights
Brownton Lions Club	\$50.00	Essay Contest
Brownton Lions Club	\$75.00	Dictionary Project
Silver Lake Lions Club	\$100.00	Lakeside Art Class Peace Poster Supplies
New Auburn VFW Post #7266	\$125.00	US Military History Trip
Silver Lake Lions Club	\$250.00	Junior High Lions Quest Program

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

The following voted against the same: None

Director Lindeman moved to adjourn at 8:58 p.m. Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously.

Approved (Date) _____

Clerk

Chairman