

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2859
PLACE: Lincoln Meeting Room (Room 124)
DATE: February 10, 2014
TIME: 7:00 p.m.

Interim Board Chair Christianson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Kuester, Alsleben, Lindeman, VonBerge, Christianson, and Twiss. In addition, Superintendent Chris Sonju; Business Manager Michelle Sander; Principals Bill Butler, Diane Schultz, and Paul Sparby; FFA Advisor Becky Haddad and FFA Parli Pro Team members Kole Polzin, Zach Pierson, Kirsten Barott, Matthew Dahlke, Tommy Becker, and Laura Becker; Student Activities representative Freddy Pena; Teachers Jen Chrast and Julie Grams; Food Service Director Bernie Getzlaff; Technology Staff Mike Morris; and Superintendent's Secretary Dawn Peterson were in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

At the January 13th Board meeting, Director Twiss moved to nominate Director Christianson for the position of School Board Chairperson. Director VonBerge moved to nominate Director Alsleben for the position of School Board Chairperson. Three votes were taken with the same results: a three to three tie vote.

Another vote was to have been taken during the February 10th meeting but Director Alsleben declined the nomination. Interim Chair Christianson declared himself elected by acclamation and directed the clerk to so record in the minutes.

Director Kuester moved to nominate Director Alsleben for the position of School Board Vice Chairperson. Board Chair Christianson declared the candidate elected by acclamation and directed the clerk to so record in the minutes.

The following announcement was made:

Next School Board Meeting: The next regular School Board meeting will be on Monday, March 10th, at 7:00 p.m., in the Lincoln Meeting Room.

Superintendent Sonju acknowledged the School Board with certificates of appreciation in observance of School Board Recognition Week – February 17-21, 2014.

No public input relating to the agenda was given.

The FFA Parli Pro Team gave a presentation to the board. FFA members and FFA Advisor Haddad left the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

Business Manager Sanders reported to the Board.

Principals Butler, Schultz, and Sparby reported to the Board.

Student Activities representative Pena reported to the Board.

Superintendent Sonju reported to the Board that the Early Childhood Learning Center's Open House on January 31st was a great day and many people attended the Open House; Wednesday, Feb. 12 is our "Get to" Day with Murray Banks coming to speak to students in grades 3-12 and GSL staff; thanked the School Board and said School Board Recognition Week will be observed during February 17-21; reminded the Board the next GSL Family Night is February 12; said there was a meeting last week about the evaluation system we are working on; reported the Glencoe Expo will be held this coming weekend and said GSL will have a booth; and told Board members this is a busy, busy time period at GSL.

Committee reports were given by Director Twiss on the ECFE Advisory meeting, the Lakeside Leadership Team meeting, and Meet and Confer; Director VonBerge reported on the High School Leadership Team meeting; and Board Chair Christianson reported on the Community Schools and Field House Advisory Committee meetings.

Director Alsleben moved to approve the agenda with the addendum of Item F. Tennis Courts. Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Kuester moved to approve the consent agenda with the addendum of hiring Cassie Morris for the position of Pathways II Assistant.

Bills:

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

Minutes:

Regular Board Meeting minutes of January 13, 2014.

Hiring:

Beth Dennison as District School Nurse pending licensure (replaces Andrea Kuenzel who resigned).

Cassie Morris as part-time Pathways II Assistant from February to June, 2014 for 6.5 hours a day/3 days a week in the Early Childhood Learning Center at Lincoln Junior High School (new position to be paid for through the Pathways II grant).

Director Lindeman seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss moved to adopt the revised 2014-2015 school calendar with the following changes:

- ◆ Change the scheduled snow days to: 1) Monday, Jan. 19 – Martin Luther King Day; 2) Monday, Feb. 16 – Presidents’ Day; 3) Thursday, April 2; 4) Additional days added to the end of the year.
- ◆ Change Evening K-6 Parent-Teacher Conferences to Tuesday and Thursday, March 10th and 12th.

Board Chair Christianson seconded. Approved unanimously.

During Meet and Confer on February 5th, the 2015-2016 calendar was agreed to. Director Lindeman moved to adopt the 2015-2016 school calendar as recommended by Meet and Confer. Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously.

An agreement was entered into on July 1, 2011 with the Department of Public Safety to lease a portion of the parking lot at GSL High School to be used as a motorcycle skill test course. Director Alsleben moved to approve the amended lease agreement with the State of Minnesota, Department of Administration, acting for the benefit of the Department of Public Safety, for a portion of the parking lot at GSL High School to be used as a motorcycle skill test course between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Friday of each week through June 30, 2017, with the option to extend the lease for an additional two years. Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss said we are grateful for the very long and generous list of donations and expressed her thanks for the donations. 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
Glencoe American Legion Post #95	\$200.00	Robotics
Shopko Hometown, Glencoe	\$76.31	Activities
Crow River Sno Pros	\$500.00	Robotics
Panther Boosters	\$1,438.00	Football
Crow River Sno Pros	\$1,000.00	Close-up
Stevens Seminary Foundation	\$5,850.00	Close-up
Stevens Seminary Foundation	\$750.00	Robotics
Brownton Lions Club	\$450.00	Close-up
Stevens Seminary Foundation	\$1,000.00	“Get to” Day Program
Stevens Seminary Foundation	\$10,000	Teacher Initiative Program
Gruenhagen Insurance and Financial Services	\$100.00	Page Program
McLeod County Republican Party	\$400.00	Page Program
Nathan Kiewel	\$150.00	Page Program
Plato American Legion Post #641	\$100.00	Robotics
Silver Lake Civic Association	\$500.00	Close-up
Southwest Initiative Foundation	\$1,500.00	SuperMileage
Midwest Industrial Tool Grinding	\$250.00	Robotics

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

The following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Director Alsleben moved to reject all tennis court project bids received on February 6, 2014, and rebid the project with modifications to the specs. Director Lindeman seconded. Approved unanimously.

A work session was set for Monday, March 24th at 5:00 p.m. in the Lincoln Meeting Room (Room 124) to talk about the World's Best Workforce, Q-Comp, and facilities. Specifics are to be discussed at the March 10th Board meeting.

Director Alsleben moved to adjourn at 8:23 p.m. Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously.

Approved (Date) _____

Clerk

Chairman