

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2859
PLACE: Lincoln Meeting Room (Room 124)
DATE: January 9, 2017
TIME: 7:00 p.m.

Interim Board Chair Christianson called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. The following members were present: Kuester, Alsleben, Lindeman, Christianson, and Twiss. Director VonBerge was absent from the meeting. In addition, Superintendent Chris Sonju; Business Manager Michelle Sander; Principals Bill Butler and Paul Sparby; Technology Director Jeff Jenson, Knowledge Bowl Advisors Tom Schoper and Wanda Collins; Knowledge Bowl team members Sarah Schmieg, Brandi Pikal, Aubrey Giesen, Andrew LaPlante, and Kira Mattson; Brea Wiblemo, High School Social Studies Teacher; Technology Staff Mike Morris; and Administrative Assistant Dawn Peterson were in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Interim Board Chair Christianson administered the Oath of Office to Directors Alsleben and Kuester.

Officers were elected for 2017. Director Twiss moved to nominate Director Christianson for the position of School Board Chairperson. Board Chair Christianson declared the candidate elected by acclamation and directed the acting 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 acting clerk to so record in the minutes.

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

Director Alsleben moved to nominate Director Kuester for the position of School Board Treasurer. Board Chair Christianson declared the candidate elected by acclamation and directed the acting 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, Feb. 13, at 7:00 p.m., in the Lincoln Meeting Room (Room 124).

Superintendent Sonju acknowledged Technology Director Jenson and the Technology Committee for their work on the device plan. He also acknowledged the National Honor Society for the work they have been doing including bell ringing for the Salvation Army.

No input relating to the agenda was given.

Mr. Schoper introduced Aubrey Giesen, who was appointed to the 2017 High School Page Program. She will be participating with the House of Representatives the week of February 13, 2017.

Mr. Schoper and the Mock Trial Team provided a sample of this year's Mock Trial court case.

Mr. Jenson provided information about the proposed device plan.

Business Manager Sander reported to the Board.

Principals Butler and Sparby reported to the Board.

There was no student government report.

Superintendent Sonju reminded the Board about the Minnesota School Boards Association's Leadership Conference on January 12th and 13th; said GSL will be giving a presentation about STEM at the Leadership Conference on Friday, and said this will include a number of our students; announced that on February 4th, McLeod for Tomorrow will have their Winterfest event at the McLeod County Fairgrounds beginning at 10:00 a.m.; reminded the Board that the January 26th Community Schools meeting will be their annual "Career Day, and said plans are to invite as many students as adults; the McLeod for Tomorrow Leadership Team will also be at the meeting; and said this event has been very well received in the past; reminded Board members of the available MSBA negotiations workshops and new officer training that is available; and reported that he met with landowners regarding easements today.

No committee reports were given.

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

Director Lindeman moved to approve the consent agenda:

Bills:
December bills are on file and available for review at the Superintendent’s Office, 1621 East 16th Street, Glencoe.

Minutes:
Regular Board Meeting minutes of December 12, 2016.

Resignations:
Tom Chap as 8th Grade Football Coach.
Beth Jerabek as Cheerleading Coach.
Tanya Reichow, 6.5-hour-a-day Paraprofessional in Special Education at Helen Baker Elementary School, effective January 31, 2017.

Leaves:
Ann Lamecker, English Teacher at Lincoln Junior High School, requests Maternity Leave from on or around March 31, 2017 through the end of the school year.
Tricia Fenske, Paraprofessional in Special Education at Helen Baker Elementary School, requests a three-week extension to her Maternity Leave request through January 17, 2017.

Hiring:
Roxanne Henderson as Long-Term Substitute Special Education Teacher at GSL Lakeside Elementary School through January 2017 (replaces Chris Manteufel who resigned).

Community Education Contract:
Traci Schwarzrock as Community Education Gymnastics Instructor during January and February 2017.

Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously.

Ms. Wiblemo provided information about the proposed student trip abroad and reported on previous student trips abroad. Director Twiss moved to approve the request from Ms. Wiblemo for the 10- to 12-day trip abroad in June 2019 to Tanzania or to Madrid and Andalusia, depending on student interest. Director Lindeman seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Kuester moved to set the regular School Board meetings for the second Monday beginning at 7:00 p.m. and to meet in Lincoln Room 124, with a second meeting, if necessary, to be held on the fourth Monday at 7:00 p.m. in Lincoln Room 124. Director Alsleben seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Lindeman moved to keep the per diem rates for 2017 at the current rate:

- A. Attendance at regular and special formal Board meetings\$2,000.00 per year
- B. Per committee meeting \$35.00
- C. Per negotiations meeting..... \$50.00
- D. Additional pay after three hours for committee and negotiations meetings \$35.00

Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Alsleben moved to adopt the committee assignments for 2017 as specified by the School Board.

- Board Committees**
- Operations (Facilities, Food Service and Transportation) – Jamie Alsleben and Jason Lindeman
 - Finance – Jamie Alsleben and Kevin Kuester
 - Negotiations – Anne Twiss and Donna VonBerge (Support)
Clark Christianson and Jason Lindeman (Certified)
 - Personnel (includes Meet & Confer) – Anne Twiss and Clark Christianson
 - Policy (includes Wellness) – Anne Twiss and Donna VonBerge

- Board Representatives**
- MSBA Legislative Liaison – Kevin Kuester
 - Minnesota State High School League – Clark Christianson

- Board Liaisons to District Committees**
- Community Education – Jamie Alsleben
 - Community Schools – Clark Christianson
 - Curriculum – Donna VonBerge and Jason Lindeman
 - ECFE – Anne Twiss
 - Field House – Clark Christianson
 - Health & Safety – Jason Lindeman

Insurance – Donna VonBerge
Little Crow ITV Board – Kevin Kuester
Leadership Teams
 Helen Baker K-2 – Clark Christianson
 Lakeside 3-6 – Anne Twiss
 Lincoln 7-8 – Jason Lindeman
 High School 9-12 – Donna VonBerge
Staff Development – Donna VonBerge
Technology – Donna VonBerge

Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Kuester moved to authorize Michelle Sander, Business Manager, to make payment (prior to School Board approval) of claims that cannot be deferred until the next Board meeting without loss to the district of discount privileges and, further, authorize Michelle Sander to initiate and transact electronic transfers for the purpose of investing excess monies and for payment of bond principal and interest as provided by M.S. 1996, Section 123.35, Subd. 15. Director Alsleben seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss moved to delegate the following statutory duties of the Clerk to the administrative staff: the keeping of the book of minutes of all School Board meetings, the preparation of reports that shall include the condition and value of school property, receipts and disbursements in detail and such other financial matters as may be called for by the Minnesota Department of Education, the length of the school term and the enrollment and attendance by grades, and the names and post office addresses of all directors and other officers, and such other items of information as may be called for by the Commissioner of Education. Director Christianson seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Lindeman moved to adopt the resolution directing the administration to make recommendations for reductions in programs and positions and reasons therefore for the 2017-2018 school year. Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss moved to schedule Meet and Confer for Wednesday, Feb. 1, 2017 at 3:30 p.m. in the Superintendent's Conference Room at Lincoln. Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Lindeman moved to approve the fundraising requests for the second half of the 2016-2017 school year as submitted. Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously.

Discussion was held on the administration's proposal to change the school day start time for the fall of 2017. The starting time would be 25 minutes later than it currently is. No action was taken.

Director Lindeman moved to approve the addition of a 6.75-hour-a-day Paraprofessional at the High School due to student need. Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss moved to approve the request to add hours in ECFE and ECSE:

- ECFE Secretary – increase hours from 24 to 27 hours per week
- School Readiness Paraprofessional – increase hours from 6 to 12 hours per week – to support two students who are joining School Readiness

Director Christianson seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Kuester moved to add an hour to Renee Vasko's position as a Paraprofessional in Special Education at Lakeside so she can work as a Bus Supervisor for a student. Her hours would change from seven to eight per day. Director Lindeman seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Lindeman moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Southwest Minnesota State University to participate in the education of their students in their nursing programs through July 31, 2019. Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss moved to adopt the following policies:

- 435 Personnel Policy Providing for the Occasional Employment of Nonexempt Employees for the Supervision and Management of Extracurricular Functions
- 509 Enrollment of Nonresident Students
- 516 Student Medication
- 532 Use of Peace Officers and Crisis Teams to Remove Students with IEPs from School Grounds

Director Alsleben seconded. Approved unanimously.

Member Lindeman 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
Scott Equipment Company	Aluminum – \$921.00 value	GSL Robotics
Midwest Ind. Tool Grinding	\$250.00	GSL Robotics
Crow River Sno Pros	\$1,300.00	Close-up
Plato Fire Department	\$250.00	Close-up
Stevens Seminary Foundation	\$4,200.00	Close-up
Plato Fire Department	\$750.00	Baseball Equipment
Anderson Insurance and Financial Services, Inc.	\$75.00	GSL Robotics
Brownton Lions’ Club	\$500.00	Close-up

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

The following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

A School Board work session was set for January 23, 2017 from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

Director Twiss moved to adjourn at 9:50 p.m. Director Lindeman seconded. Approved unanimously.

Approved (Date) _____

Clerk

Chairman