

**Minutes of Freshwater Education Dist. # 6004**  
**Board Mtg., 10/23/24**  
**Wadena, MN**

Meeting called to order at 5 P.M by Chair Anderson.

Board Present: L. Anderson-Staples-Motley; C. Funk-Sebeka; C. Wolf-Long Prairie-Grey Eagle; B. Tumberg-Wadena-Deer Creek; S. Veronen-Verndale; J. Hillmer-Browerville; R. VanDenheuvel-Bertha-Hewitt; R. Thalmann-Henning; K. Howard-Menahga.

FED Admin: E. Weber, J. Wothe, J. Anderson, S. Thiel.

Others in Attendance: Buckie, Comfort Dog & J. Osberg.

MOTIONED BY VanDenheuvel & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY Tumberg to approve the agenda as presented.

VOTE- U/C

Presentation- *J. Osberg, Academies Manager presented to the Board “**Buckie**” Academies Comfort Dog.*

Old Business-

MOTIONED BY Howard & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY Thalmann to approve the 8/21/24 minutes as presented.

VOTE-U/C

MOTIONED BY Hillmer & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY Tumberg to acknowledge receipt and review of the Sept. & Oct. 2024 Supt. Advisory minutes as presented. VOTE-U/C

New Business-

MOTIONED BY Veronen & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY Funk to approve the FY25 Qtr. 1 payments as presented. VOTE -U/C

MOTIONED BY VanDenheuvel & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY Anderson to accept the 1/1/25 – 12/31/25, Health Ins. Rates as presented. VOTE-U/C

MOTIONED BY Funk & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY Thalmann to accept the 1/1/25 – 12/31/25, Voluntary Dental Ins. Rates as presented. VOTE- U/C

MOTIONED BY Howard & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY Tumberg to accept the 1/1/25 – 12/31/25 Voluntary Vision Ins. Rates as presented. VOTE- U/C

MOTIONED BY Hillmer & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY Veronen to accept the 1/1/25 – 12/31/27 Life Ins. Rates as presented. VOTE- U/C

MOTIONED BY Tumberg & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VanDenheuvel to accept the 1/1/25 – 12/31/27 Life Ins. Rates as presented. VOTE-U/C

MOTIONED BY Thalmann & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY Funk to approve the FY25 Budget Rev. I & Assessment Manual Rev. I. VOTE-U/C

MOTIONED BY Tumberg & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY Howard to approve the transfer of \$86,000 to the facility reserve fund balance. VOTE-U/C

MOTIONED BY VanDenheuvel & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY Funk to approve the Bus. Office Service Agmt. w/Verndale ISD #818. VOTE-U/C

MOTIONED BY Funk & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VanDenheuvel to approve the Bus. Office Service Agmt. w/LPGE ISD #2753. VOTE- U/C

MOTIONED BY Hillmer & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY Veronen to approve the 24/25 Reg. Year TS/CR Services Agmt. as presented. VOTE- U/C

MOTIONED BY Veronen & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY Tumberg to approve & adopt 2024 Leg. Session Model Policy Updates as presented. VOTE- U/C

MOTIONED BY Thalmann & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY Anderson to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the replacement Model Policy #522 as presented. VOTE- U/C

MOTIONED BY Howard & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY Hillmer to approve to set the January Re-organization & Regular Mtg. 1/22/25. VOTE- U/C

MOTIONED BY Tumberg & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY Wolf to accept the 2 submitted bids from *Benjamin Bernatsky Enterprises, LLC* for the replacement of shingles as presented. VOTE- U/C

MOTIONED BY Veronen & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY Thalmann to approve the posting of the following Seniority Lists; Licensed & Probationary Licensed Teachers & Paraprofessionals. VOTE- U/C w/Howard Abstaining

MOTIONED BY Tumberg & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VanDenheuvel to approve the amended Service Agmt. w/Eluma as presented. VOTE- U/C

MOTIONED BY Veronen & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY Thalmann to approve the personnel consent agenda as follows:

*Amendment to SPED Director contract, effective 7/1/24; Reassignment of M. Olson; Hiring of J. Nelson, V. Wood, J. Beavers, A. Cook, K. Kane; Resignation of A. McQuiston, Kirstin Noska, Brianna Sandy; Increase in Hrs. for H. Jasmer; Decrease in Hrs. for B. Faust, P. Kellen, Leigh Peterson; Authorization to advertise & hire for the positions of: ECFE Child Educator; Van Driver; 2 - ECSE Paraprofessionals; PT School Psych.t; PT Phy. Impairment Teacher; Increase in Days for W. Wegscheid; Voluntary Reduction in Hrs. for K. Harstad, Maureen Baymler; Request for Lane Change of B. Winkels.* VOTE- U/C

Dept. Reports –

J. Anderson reviewed FY25 Finance Reports & FY24 Finance Review.

J. Wothe shared enrollment at the Academies; Update on the Parent Advisory Mtg. held in October; Behavior & Assessment Specialists supporting districts at a 1:4 ratio; Update on Monitoring.

E. Weber shared updates on: READ Act for SpEd & EC Staff; Budget Reeducation Work Session on 11/14<sup>th</sup> w/Dist. Supts.; Shingling & Curbing projects; ALC Enrollment is up 25 students; 10 - TS Programs running; ABE Student hours are up; ECFE/SR gained students from Head Start closing; CTE working on professional development opportunities for CTE Staff; Tech transitioning to Google Workspace; Applied for a grant for cyber security tools to be E-rate eligible.

Recognition and “Thank You”, to C. Funk for his 16 .yrs. of service to the FED Board.

Adjournment-MOTIONED BY Funk & 2<sup>ND</sup> BY VanDenheuvel to adjourn the meeting at 6:08 p.m.