

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2711
MESABI EAST SCHOOLS
AURORA, MN 55705**

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
December 2, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER: The Regular Board Meeting was called to order by Chair, Walt Hautala at 5:30 p.m. on December 2, 2024 in the Board Room (204) with the following in answer to roll call.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Directors Justin Adams, Walt Hautala, Pamela LaFrenier, Kathy Undeland, Superintendent Burgess

Absent: Directors Amanda Gross, Chris Baudhuin

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA APPROVAL: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director LaFrenier to approve the agenda as presented.

All in favor---Motion passed

DISTRICT PATRON AND VISITOR COMMENTS: None.

Consent Agenda: Moved by Director Adams, seconded by Director Hautala to approve the consent agenda as presented: Payrolls and Bills in the amount of \$1,375,509.99; Regular Board Meeting Minutes of November 12, 2024.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Audit Presentation: Wipfli LLC will present the 2023-2024 audit.

2023-2024 Audit: Moved by Director LaFrenier, seconded by Director Hautala to accept the financial audit conducted by Wipfli LLC for the year ending June 30, 2024.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Volleyball Coach Resignation: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Hautala to accept the resignation of Sara Baribeau as Head Volleyball Coach effective at the end of the 2024-2025 season with appreciation for her dedicated service to the district.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Substitute Bus Driver Pay: Moved by Director LaFrenier, seconded by Director Undeland to approve increasing the sub bus driver pay to Step 1 of the current 2780 Contract effective at the beginning of the 2024-2025 school year.

Director LaFrenier moved to amend the motion to approve increasing the sub bus driver pay to Step 1 of the current 2780 Contract effective December 1, 2024.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Winter Coaching Recommendations: Moved by Director Hautala, seconded by Director Adams to approve the Winter Coaching recommendations as presented: Nick Shermer – ½ stipend JH Boys Basketball Coach; Nikole Anderson – ½ stipend JH Boys Basketball Coach; Beth Layman – Volunteer Basketball Coach; Olivia Forsline – Volunteer Girls Basketball Coach.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Paraprofessional Hire: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director LaFrenier to approve Tiffany Clemenson as Special Education Paraprofessional, Step 0 up to 21 hours per week effective November 20, 2024.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Paraprofessional Hire: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director LaFrenier to approve Ana Rooda as Special Education Paraprofessional, Step 0 up to 29 hours per week effective December 2, 2024.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Second Reading - Policy 524: Moved by Director Hautala, seconded by Director Undeland to accept policy 524 for approval to include the updates from the MSBA Model Policy.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Second Reading - Policy 704: Moved by Director LaFrenier, seconded by Director Undeland to accept policy 704 for approval to include the updates from the MSBA Model Policy.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Maintenance/Grounds/Bus Driver Assignment: Moved by Director Adams, seconded by Director Undeland to approve Meagan Locken as Maintenance/Grounds/Bus Driver, 40 hours per week, Step 1 effective December 3, 2024. Bus driving endorsement to be achieved by February 3, 2025.

All in favor---Motion passed.

RAMS Board of Directors Nomination: Moved by Director LaFrenier, seconded by Director Hautala to nominate Kathy Undeland to RAMS Board of Directors for a term of January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2026.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Temporary General Education Paraprofessional Hire: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director LaFrenier to approve Brenna Ceglar as temporary General Education Paraprofessional, Step 2 up to 29 hours per week effective November 25, 2024.

All in favor---Motion passed.

JH Boys Track Coach Resignation: Moved by Director LaFrenier, seconded by Director Undeland to accept the resignation of Connor Matschiner as JH Track Coach effective the 2024-2025 season with appreciation for his dedicated service to the program.

All in favor---Motion passed

Salary Lane Change: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director LaFrenier to approve a Salary Lane Change for Frank Zobitz from BA , Step 13 to MA, Step 13 effective the 2024-2025 school year.

All in favor---Motion passed.

REPORTS: Under Separate Cover.

MEETING SCHEDULE: Re-Organizational Board Meeting, Monday, January 6, 2025- 5:00 p.m. – Board Room
Regular Board Meeting – Monday, January 6, 2025 - 5:30 p.m. – Board Room.

Proposed Tax Levy: Informational only. No action required.

Public Comment: Opportunity given for public comment

2024-2025 Levy Certification: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Adams to approve the certification of the 2024 Payable 2025 Levy in the amount of \$2,640,210.17.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Adjournment: Moved by Director LaFrenier, seconded by Director Undeland to adjourn at 6:35 p.m.

All in favor---Motion passed.

ATTEST:

Chair

Clerk