

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2859  
PLACE: Lincoln Meeting Room, Room 124  
DATE: October 8, 2012  
TIME: 7:00 p.m.

Board Chair Christianson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Schreifels, Kuester, Alsleben, Lindeman, Christianson, and Twiss. In addition, Superintendent Chris Sonju; Business Manager Michelle Sander; Principals Bill Butler and Michelle Wang; Doug Fegley, Ron Putz and Peter Andrus; Gary Goodwin from the Winthrop Gun Club; Teachers Mike Sundblad, Krystal Wendt, and Kim Borka; Student Government/Student Activities students Ismael Calderon and Brooke Kosek; 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 Tuesday, Nov. 13 at 7:00 p.m. at GSL Lakeside Elementary School in Silver Lake.

**Truth in Taxation Hearing:** The Glencoe-Silver Lake School District will hold its Truth in Taxation Hearing prior to the regularly-scheduled December 10<sup>th</sup> School Board meeting in the Lincoln Meeting Room 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 public input relating to the agenda was given.

GSL Industrial Technology Teacher Michael Sundblad reported to the Board about Super Mileage and Project Lead the Way.

Business Manager Sander reported to the Board.

Principals Butler and Wang reported to the Board.

Student Government/Student Activities students Kosek and Calderon reported to the Board.

Superintendent Sonju reported a lot of time was spent with kindergarten plans this week; said he loves the direction the district is going; and told the School Board we offer academics help after school along with extra- and co-curricular activities.

Committee reports were given by Director Schreifels who said he attended an Elementary Parent-Staff Advisory meeting; met Pat Geiken, McLeod County's School Resource Officer, and said he would like to invite him to attend a Board meeting; Director Twiss reported she attended an Early Childhood Family Education Advisory Committee meeting on September 9<sup>th</sup> and said the next meeting is October 10<sup>th</sup>; she also reported sitting in on the last school improvement meeting.

Director Alsleben moved to approve the agenda with the addition of the hiring of Nandini Kraemer as a 6.75-hour-a-day Paraprofessional in the English as a Second Language (ESL) Program at Lincoln Junior High/GSL High School. Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss moved to approve the consent agenda. Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

***Bills:***

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

***Minutes:***

Regular Board meeting minutes of September 10, 2012, and special Board meeting minutes of September 24, 2012.

***Resignation:***

Debra Butler as School Nurse, effective October 12, 2012.

***Leave Requests:***

Angie Mellies, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher at Helen Baker Elementary School, requests FMLA Leave beginning on or around February 1, 2013, for 12 weeks and to return on or around April 29, 2013.

Deb Rudy, 6.75-hour-a-day Paraprofessional in the Special Education Program at GSL High School, requests a one-month unpaid Family Medical Leave beginning October 1, 2012, with the option of a second month's unpaid leave if necessary.

**Extracurricular Activities:**

Ashleigh Moelter as Head Gymnastics Coach (replaces Deb Rudy who resigned).  
Chris Moelter as Assistant Gymnastics Coach (replaces Mark Rudy who resigned).

Industrial Technology Teacher Sundblad presented information about the First Robotics activity. Director Alsleben moved to approve the addition of a GSL First Robotics Club for the 2012-2013 school year with an activity fee cost for students of \$85.00 to help defer costs of the activity. Grant applications will be submitted for this activity and it is hoped that the majority of the cost of this club will be covered with the monies collected from the grants. Director Schreifels seconded. Approved unanimously.

Doug Fegley presented information about a trap shooting activity. Gary Goodwin from the Winthrop Gun Club answered questions about trap shooting. Director Schreifels moved to approve the addition of a GSL Trap Shooting Club for the 2012-2013 school year with an activity fee cost for students of \$85.00 to help defer costs of the activity. Grant applications have been submitted for this activity and it is hoped that the majority of the cost of this club will be covered with the monies collected from the grants. Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously. Mr. Fegley, Mr. Goodwin, Mr. Putz, and Mr. Andrus left the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

Director Schreifels moved to enter into the PSEO Joint Powers agreement with Minnesota State University – Mankato for the 2012-2013 school year. Director Lindeman seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss moved to approve and submit the assurance of compliance as required by statute. Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

Mr. Sundblad left the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

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

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

Director Alsleben moved to adopt the limited expansion of the school district's transportation for K-2 students under the conditions specified for the 2012-2013 school year only beginning on November 26, 2012, and concluding on March 27, 2013, at no additional cost to the school district. Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Lindeman moved to adopt the 2012-2013 Staff Development Plan as prepared by the Staff Development Committee and administration. Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously.

The Annual Report on Curriculum, Instruction and Student Achievement for the 2011-2012 school year (last year) was prepared by Principals Wang and Svoboda. The report will be available online at the school district's website (<http://www.gsl.k12.mn.us>) or copies will be available by request at the District Office. Director Schreifels moved to approve the Annual Report on Curriculum, Instruction and Student Achievement for the 2011-2012 school year (last year). Board Chair Christianson seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss moved to enter into the Concurrent Enrollment Program Agreement Between Southwest Minnesota State University and GSL to cover our College in the Schools program. The agreement remains in effect until terminated by either party by a 30-day written notification. Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Schreifels moved to approve the contracts with Mike Morris, Desktop Technology Support, from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2014; Superintendent Sonju from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2016; and the GSL District Office Support Staff (Carol Dammann, Becky Dahl, Dawn Peterson, Lori Peterson, and Crystal Dahlke) from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2014. Director Alsleben seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss moved to proceed with the 70 x 28 foot addition to the garage on the east side of the high school at an approximate cost of \$50,000. The addition is to be built by the construction class under the supervision of Mike Sundblad. The district will be responsible for the excavation of the area, the cement slab, electrical and some finishing work that cannot be completed by students. Director Lindeman seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Schreifels 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 Wilson. Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

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:

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Item Donated</u>	<u>Designation</u>
Mark Rudy – matching contribution from Wells Fargo Foundation	\$36.90	A Account
Glencoe American Legion Post #95	\$1,600.00	Scholarships
Silver Lake American Legion Post #141	\$500.00	U.S. Military History Class

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

The following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Director Lindeman moved to approve hiring Nandini Kraemer as a 6.75-hour-a-day Paraprofessional in the English as a Second Language (ESL) Program at Lincoln Junior High School/GSL High School. Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously.

Superintendent Sonju announced the Board will hold a work session on October 22nd at 7:00 p.m. in the Lincoln Meeting Room. Board Chair Christianson said topics will include discussions about the building project; school district, administration, and Board goals; and class size recommendations.

Director Schreifels moved to adjourn at 8:46 p.m. Director Lindeman seconded. Approved unanimously.

Approved (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

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Clerk

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Chair