

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2859
PLACE: GSL High School Media Center
DATE: October 10, 2011
TIME: 7:00 p.m.

Board Chair Christianson called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. The following members were present: Alsleben, Lindeman, Schreifels, Kuester, Christianson, and Twiss. In addition, Superintendent Chris Sonju; Business Manager Michelle Sander; Principals Paul Sparby, Michelle Wang, and Bill Butler; Teacher Brea Wiblemo; 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 Monday, Nov. 14th at 7:00 p.m. at GSL Lakeside Elementary School in Silver Lake.

Informational Meetings: Meetings to share information about the November 8th Special Election are as follows:

Public Forums

Tuesday, Oct. 18, 6:00 p.m. – Brownston Community Center
(Ehlers' representative will attend)

Thursday, Nov. 3, 6:00 p.m. – GSL High School Auditorium
(Ehlers' representative and Architect Paul Youngquist will attend)

Question and Answer Sessions

Monday, Oct. 10, 6:00 p.m. – Plato Fire Hall *(before the Board meeting)*

Coffee and Cookies with the Superintendent

Wednesday, Oct. 12, 9:00 a.m. – Helen Baker Elementary School

2:00 p.m. – Helen Baker Elementary School

(Both sessions include a tour of Helen Baker Elementary School)

Wednesday, Oct. 26, 9:00 a.m. – District Office, Lincoln Junior High School

2:00 p.m. – District Office, Lincoln Junior High School

Friday, Nov. 4, 9:00 a.m. – Helen Baker Elementary School

2:00 p.m. – Helen Baker Elementary School

(Both sessions include a tour of Helen Baker Elementary School)

Truth in Taxation Hearing: The Glencoe-Silver Lake School District will **hold its Truth in Taxation Hearing prior to** the regularly-scheduled December 12th School Board meeting in the GSL High School Media Center beginning at 6:00 p.m. The School Board meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

No public input relating to the agenda was given.

Brea Wiblemo reported on the Trip Abroad Program.

Business Manager Sander had nothing to report.

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

No Student Government/Student Activities report was given.

Superintendent Sonju reported that he and Business Manager Sander were at a Public Forum at the Plato Fire Hall prior to the Board meeting; reminded the Board of the November 8th special election and said it has been taking up a lot of the District Office employees' time; talked about the October 26th "1,000 Books Before Kindergarten" event for 0-5 year olds at the Glencoe Library at 6:30 p.m., said getting kids involved in the library will only help with kindergarten readiness, and said we already have an achievement gap the first day of kindergarten; told Board members the "Books on the Bus" initiative is going well; said the "3T Program" has been started with our staff; reported we have had a good, productive school year so far; and acknowledged Jackee Fountain from the Glencoe Library for her participation in the "1,000 Books" promotion.

Committee reports were given by Director Twiss about the ECFE Advisory Committee; by Director Schreifels and Director Lindeman about the Facilities Committee; by Board Chair Christianson who reported the K-6 Leadership Committee meeting was cancelled and also provided a negotiations update.

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

Director Twiss moved to approve the consent agenda. Director Schreifels seconded. All members voted in favor of the motion except for Director Alsleben who abstained from voting due to inclusion of the hiring

of the Boys' Basketball Coach item but clarified his abstention was due to the process and not the individual being hired. Motion passed 6-0 (abstention went with the "yes" votes).

Bills:

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

Minutes:

Regular Board Meeting minutes of September 12, 2011.

Resignation:

Marne Brothers as 6.5-hour-a-day Paraprofessional in the Special Education Program at Helen Baker Elementary School, effective October 7, 2011.

Hirings:

Kelly Mackedanz as 6.5-hour-a-day Paraprofessional in the Special Education Program at Helen Baker Elementary School (replaces Amy Molva who transferred to another position).

Lindsay Vaughn as 6.5-hour-a-day Paraprofessional in the Special Education Program at Helen Baker Elementary School (replaces Zach Otto-Fisher who transferred to another position).

Carrie Chap as 6-hour-a-day Instructional Paraprofessional at Lakeside Elementary School (replaces Tony Kley who resigned).

Leave Requests:

Joyce Peterson, Physical Education Teacher at Lakeside Elementary School, requests medical leave from November 16, 2011, through January 3, 2013.

Jann Savre, Health Teacher at Lincoln Junior High School, requests medical leave from October 12, 2011, through December 2, 2011.

Extracurricular Assignments:

Robb DeCorsey as Head Boys' Basketball Coach (replaces Don Tangen who was non-renewed).
Mary Patterson as Math Olympiads Coach (replaces Lisa Petersen who resigned).

Director Kuester moved to approve the Resolution Appointing Election Judges for the November 8, 2011 School District Special Election. Director Alsleben seconded. Approved unanimously.

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

Director Twiss moved to post the Education Minnesota: GSL seniority list for 20 days. Director Kuester 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 2011-2012 school year only beginning on November 28, 2011, and concluding on March 30, 2012, at no additional cost to the school district. Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Alsleben moved to adopt the 2011-2012 Staff Development Plan as prepared by the Staff Development Committee and administration. Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Kuester moved to approve the contract with ISD #424, Lester Prairie Public Schools, to purchase the services of a qualified deaf and hard of hearing teacher from GSL. The agreement will be in force from September 7, 2011, until May 31, 2012. Director Lindeman seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss moved to approve the Annual Report on Curriculum, Instruction and Student Achievement for the 2010-2011 school year (last year). 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
GSL Panther Boosters	\$4,000.00	Trainer
GSL Panther Boosters	\$1,500.00	Field rental

American Legion Post #141, Silver Lake	\$400.00	U.S. Military History field trip
Brownston Lions' Club	\$50.00	Lions WriteOff essay contest

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

The following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Director Schreifels moved to adjourn at 8:54 p.m. Board Chair Christianson seconded. Approved unanimously.

Clerk

Approved (Date) _____

Chair