

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2859
PLACE: GSL High School Media Center
DATE: August 8, 2011
TIME: 7:00 p.m.

Board Chair Christianson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Lindeman, Alsleben, Kuester, Schreifels, Christianson, and Twiss. In addition, Superintendent Chris Sonju; Business Manager Michelle Sander; Principals Bill Butler, Michelle Wang, and Paul Sparby; Teachers Tammy Schermann and Jen Chrast; Technology Staff Mike Morris; and Superintendent's Secretary Dawn Peterson were in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The following announcement was made:

Next School Board Meeting: The next regular School Board meeting will be on Monday, September 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the GSL High School Media Center.

No public input relating to the agenda was given.

An Elementary Mentorship Committee report was given by Elementary Teacher Schermann.

Business Manager Sander reported to the Board.

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

No Student Government report was given.

Superintendent Sonju reported to the Board that the schedule with overloads (an agenda item) is necessary to allow teachers to be able to talk more easily to each other and to add the RAP period; the fall workshop will begin on August 29; District Day is on August 30 with breakfast served by the School Board starting at 7:15 a.m., and new teachers will be available for newspaper pictures at 7:45 a.m. in the Commons area of the High School; Open Houses will be held from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. on August 31 with the teacher workday from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. that day; announced the first community meeting has been scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on August 22 for the building bond and operating levy campaign; reported the first public forum will be held at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium on August 31 after the Open Houses; acknowledged Stevens Seminary for their donation of over \$21,000 to help cover the cost of ITV classes, College in the School, and to expand our summer school program; said some primary summer school was held this year along with Extended School Year and Migrant Summer School, but we will be trying to get summer school started for additional students next summer; thanked Stevens Seminary for being so supportive; extended his thanks to the City of Glencoe for seeing if we could continue to have a School Resource Officer in the schools, but the City of Glencoe needed Wyatt Bienfang; said there is no doubt but that we will miss Wyatt in our schools, and thanked the City for the smooth and respectful discussions; reported the August district newsletter has an abundance of information; said school is right around the corner, and told the Board he has received his first inclement weather letter from Channel 4; said the first day of school is on September 6, and we are very excited for the school year to begin.

Committee reports were given by Director Alsleben about the availability of a new Community Education catalog and Board Chair Christianson gave a Negotiations Committee update.

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

Director Twiss moved to approve the consent agenda with the addition of several more extracurricular assignments and the resignation of Pamela Wiest and settlement agreement. Superintendent Sonju told the Board information was received and an investigation resulted with the resignation of Ms. Wiest and the settlement agreement. Director Lindeman seconded. Approved unanimously.

Bills:

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

Minutes:

Regular Board Meeting minutes of July 11, 2011.

Hirings:

Daniel Perelstein as Long-term Substitute Teacher for Beginning Band and General Music at Lakeside Elementary School for Jaime Rossmiller's FMLA Leave from on or around September 15, 2011, through December 2, 2011.

Roxane Henderson as Long-term Substitute Special Education Teacher (EBD) at Lakeside Elementary School for Kelly Klima's FMLA Leave from August 29, 2011, through October 7, 2011.

Deb Schiroo as Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE)/School Readiness (SR) Secretary for up to 24 hours per week during the school year/less in the summer (replaces Shiloh Schnabel who resigned).

Brandy Barrett as .5 FTE Title I Teacher (replaces herself – she was terminated and non-renewed last spring because the Title Grant had not yet been approved).

Kim Heimerl as 40-hour-per-week Activities Secretary/Health Assistant at GSL High School and Lincoln Junior High School (replaces Theresa Rusten and Jessica Neid who transferred to other positions).

Resignation:

Stephine Paech, 6.5-hour-a-day Paraprofessional in the English as a Second Language (ESL) Program at GSL Lakeside Elementary School.

Resignation and Settlement Agreement

Pamela Wiest, School Nurse, effective immediately.

Leave Requests:

Melissa Boyd, 24-hour-a-week Paraprofessional in the Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE)/Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) Program at Helen Baker Elementary School requests FMLA Leave from the beginning of school through October 5, 2011.

Joy Freitag, 4th Grade Teacher at Lakeside Elementary School, requests FMLA leave from September 7, 2011, through September 23, 2011.

Extracurricular Activities:

Winter and Spring Assignments:

The Master Agreement between the school district and Education Minnesota: GSL requires coaches and supervisors to receive a letter of assignment for extra duty assignments prior to September 1 for winter and spring sports each year.

Boys' Basketball

Head – Open
Varsity Reserve – Dan Meier
JV Squad – Scott Tschimperle
9th Grade – Michael Haefs
8th Grade – Dean Schwirtz
7th Grade – Terry Becker

Girls' Basketball

Head – Cullen Ober
JV Team – Zach Otto-Fisher
9th Grade – Anna Prehn
8th Grade – Sarah Schoon
7th Grade – Open

Cheerleading (Winter)

Head – Kim Oelfke

Dance Team

Head – Emily Colling

Gymnastics

Head – Deb Rudy
Assistant – Mark Rudy

Knowledge Bowl

Head – Vicky Harris
Assistant – Jan Mackenthun

One Act Play

Director – Patrick Hiltner

Speech

Head – Open

Wrestling

Head – Lance Wurm
Assistant – Open
7th-8th Grade – Open

Baseball

Head – Dean Schwirtz

Assistant JV – Dave Sell
9th Grade – Paul Lemke
8th Grade – Chris Bick
7th Grade – Josh Otto-Fisher

Softball

Head – Steve Davis
Assistant JV – Tom Lemke
9th Grade – Sue Magnuson
8th Grade – Mark Wigern
7th Grade – Sarah Schoon

Spring Play

Director – Patrick Hiltner

Track

Head Boys' – Josh Metcalf
Head Girls' – Robb DeCorsey
Assistant – Jeff Delwiche
Assistant – Mike Coddington
7th-8th Grade – Ryan Smith
7th-8th Grade Assistant – Karen Ober

Golf

Head Boys' – Chad Koenen
Head Girls' – Scott Eckhoff
7th-8th Grade – Craig Brenner

Mock Trial

Tom Schoper

Math Counts

Sandy Steile

Science Fair

Roxanne Stensvad

Extra Band

Peter Gepson

Extra Vocal

Randi Erlandson

Director Alsleben moved to approve the district employee handbook for the 2011-2012 school year. Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss moved to renew the operating levy authority of \$727.36 when it expires on June 30, 2013, for a period of seven years with no inflationary factor. This question will be asked during the November 8, 2011 special election. Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

Discussion was held about the building bond special election on November 8, 2011. Director Schreifels moved to approve the building bond ballot question as follows: a 15-year bond of \$17,995,000 (after a \$500,000 contribution from the District fund balance). Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Alsleben moved to call for fuel bids for the 2011-2012 school year. Director Lindeman seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Kuester moved to extend contracts as listed below:

- Jim Waters, High School Science 1/7th all year
- Audrey Harter, High School Math 1/7th all year
- Craig Brenner, High School Math 1/7th all year
- Rochelle Drahos, 7-12 FACS 1/7th 1st tri
- Mary Eckhoff, High School Business and Elementary Keyboarding .10 of 1/7th all year
- Brook Magnuson, High School Social Studies 1/7th 2nd tri
- Tom Schoper, High School Social Studies 1/7th 3rd tri
- Roxanne Stensvad, High School Science 1/7th all year
- Sharon Iverson, High School English 1/7th 3rd tri
- Carrie Knott, Elementary Music 1.03 FTE all year
- Andrea Wigern, Elementary and Junior High Art 1.03 FTE all year – now full-time plus overload

Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Alsleben moved to eliminate the 6.5-hour-per-day Sign Language Interpreter position because there is no longer a need for the position due to a change in a student’s IEP. Director Schreifels 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>
Paul Lemke & Sons – Jon Lemke	\$500.00 of Labor	Repair of Community Education’s Softball Pitching Machine
Joel and Elynn Lepel	\$200.00	Softball
Joel and Elynn Lepel	\$200.00	Volleyball

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

The following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Information was provided about GSL’s Opening Workshop the week of August 29 through September 1. Board members were invited to stay for the Workshop on District Day, August 30th, if they are able to. No School Board action was taken.

Superintendent Sonju reported that the Panther Association’s Golf Tournament was held on Friday, Aug. 5th. He thanked those individuals and businesses whose donations helped make the event a success.

Director Schreifels moved to adjourn at 8:26 p.m. Director Alsleben seconded. Approved unanimously.

Clerk

Approved (Date) _____

Chair