

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2859
PLACE: GSL High School Media Center
DATE: September 13, 2010
TIME: 7:00 p.m.**

Board Chair Christianson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Gruenhagen, Alsleben, Lindeman, Schreifels, Lemke, Kuester, Christianson, and Twiss. In addition, Superintendent Chris Sonju; Business Manager Michelle Sander; Principals Bill Butler, Michelle Wang, and Paul Sparby; Student Government Representatives Adam Broderius and Cynthia Villarreal; Teachers Teresa Kuester and Jane Kloeckl; Technology Staff Jeff Jenson; and Superintendent's Secretary Dawn Peterson were in attendance.

The following announcement was made:

The next regular School Board meeting will be on Monday, October 11th at 7:00 p.m. in the GSL High School Media Center.

No acknowledgements were made.

No public input relating to the agenda was given.

Principals Butler and Wang presented a data report to the Board.

Business Manager Sander reported to the Board.

Principals Butler and Sparby reported to the Board.

Student Government Representatives Villarreal and Broderius reported to the Board.

Superintendent Sonju thanked students and staff for the phenomenal start to the school year and said kids and staff have done a great job; said the data presented by Principals Butler and Wang obviously shows weaknesses that we do need to correct but he complimented staff and the administrative staff for making use of the data; said he is very excited about the direction in which our school district is going; told the Board about a fire affecting the Jenneke family, said we have a drive going on to help the family out, and items collected will be hand delivered to the family; reported we are giving a final tweak to the SchoolReach system and will have instantaneous calls going out to families but will still be reporting school closings/late starts through the media; thanked Brady Flaherty and the Dashir crew for their phenomenal work over the summer; thanked Jesse Thorpe and 4.0 for how great the grounds have been looking over the summer; reported on the building project and said we will get the Community Group together again; told the Board a Community Group meeting was held recently with the architect and Ehler's in attendance; said Paul Youngquist from the architectural firm is working on plans now and will come back and talk with staff; said that although no date has been set officially, we are looking at an April vote; told the Board when community members have questions, or the Lions or Rotary hold meetings, give him a call and he will share his vision with them; reported on the Federal Jobs Bill and said GSL will be allocated approximately \$329,000 to get people back to work; said the money has to be spent on people but not necessarily this year; said we're still gathering information as we go but it's one-time money and not sustainable; said we've identified some positions and he'll share more as he learns more.

A committee report was given by Director Twiss who said the Operations Committee recently traveled to Lakeside for a tour; Directors Schreifels and Lindeman also commented on the tour to Lakeside; by Director Twiss who said there has not been an ECFE Committee meeting over the summer but she extended an invitation to "Top 20 Parenting," a free event to be held on October 19th in the GSL High School Auditorium from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. with childcare provided; and Director Alsleben reported on Community Education Advisory Committee activities.

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

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

Bills:

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

Minutes:

Regular Board Meeting minutes of August 9, 2010.

Hirings:

Teresa Amberg as 7-hour-a-day Elementary Support Specialist Paraprofessional at Lakeside Elementary School and at Helen Baker Elementary School (replaces Mia Madson who resigned).
Kathleen Ayers-Wynohrad as 6.5-hour-a-day Paraprofessional in the Special Education Program at Lakeside Elementary School (replaces Kristi Hatterschide who resigned).
Jessica Neid as 4-hour-a-day Health Assistant at Lincoln Junior High School (replaces Jodi Keiser who transferred to another position).
Michael Coddington as 1.06 FTE Physical Education Teacher at Helen Baker Elementary School (replaces Beth Wicklund who resigned).
Candice Blazinski as 15-hour-a-week Paraprofessional in the Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) Program at Lakeside Elementary School (replaces Tianna Weiss who transferred to another position).
Zachariah Otto-Fisher as 6.5-hour-a-day Paraprofessional in the Special Education Program at Helen Baker Elementary School (replaces Michele Jorgensen who resigned).
Amy Lemke as 6.5-hour-a-day Paraprofessional in the Special Education Program at Lakeside Elementary School (new position).
Brandy Barrett as 3.5-hour-a-day Title Teacher at Helen Baker Elementary School and the Parochial Schools in Glencoe (replaces Carolyn Schmidt who was terminated and non-renewed). Brandy will continue to work 4 hours a day as a Paraprofessional in Kindergarten at Helen Baker.

Transfer:

Tianna Weiss, from 15-hour-a-week Paraprofessional in the ECSE Program at Lakeside, to 23.5-hour-a-week Paraprofessional in the ECSE Program at Lakeside (replaces Tammy Fahrenbaugh who transferred to another position).

Leave Request:

Sandy Steile, Math Teacher at Lincoln Junior High School, requests a medical leave from August 30, 2010 through September 17, 2010.

Resignations:

Mia Madson as 7-hour-a-day Elementary Support Specialist Paraprofessional at Lakeside Elementary School.
Brennan Ober as 7th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach.
Aron Bohnert as Assistant Track Coach.
Bruce Magnuson as 7th and 8th Grade Baseball Coach.

Extracurricular Activities:

Chris Bick – 8th Grade Baseball Coach (replaces Bruce Magnuson who resigned).
Kurt Speltz – High School Vocal Music Extra Activities (replaces Kay Wilson who became full-time Activities Director).

Fuel bids were to have been received by noon on September 2, 2010. At that time, Business Manager Sander received two bids which were identical. Director Kuester moved to accept the fuel bid for gas and diesel from AMPI Ag Service Cooperative for five cents under pump price. Director Schreifels seconded. Approved unanimously.

Member Alsleben introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION ALLOWING THE GLENCOE-SILVER LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT
TO CONDUCT BUSINESS ON COLUMBUS DAY**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District, #2859, Glencoe-Silver Lake, as follows:

That public business may be conducted on Columbus Day, the second Monday in October, in accordance with M.S. 645.44, Subd. 5.

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

The following abstained from voting: Gruenhagen.

The following voted against the same: None.

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Director Kuester moved to approve the requests for fundraisers to be held during the 2010-2011 school year as presented. Director Alsleben seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss moved to approve the Annual Report on Curriculum, Instruction and Student Achievement for the 2009-2010 school year. Director Lemke seconded. Approved unanimously.

Business Manager Sander provided information about preliminary levy certification. Director Lindeman moved to certify the maximum amount permitted by law for the preliminary levy for the 2011-2012 school year. Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss moved to add an additional half hour a day to RaNay Lentsch's contract as a Paraprofessional in the Title Program at Helen Baker Elementary School. Funds will come from the Title budget. Director Alsleben seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Lindeman moved to add five new positions using money from the Federal Jobs Bill: four 6.5-hour-a-day Paraprofessionals at Helen Baker Elementary School to help students master the Minnesota standards in Language Arts and Math and a 1.0 FTE English Language Learners (ELL) Teacher at Lakeside Elementary School. Director Twiss seconded. All members voted in favor of the motion except for Director Gruenhagen who voted against the motion.

Director Kuester moved to approve the contract with ISD #424, Lester Prairie Public Schools, to purchase services from GSL of a qualified deaf and hard of hearing teacher. The agreement will be in force from September 7, 2010, until May 31, 2011. Director Gruenhagen seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Lemke moved to approve an agreement with Webcast America to use their webcast services. They will provide webcast services and pay an advisor and students free of charge from September 1, 2010 through August 31, 2011. Director Christianson seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Schreifels moved to enter into the PSEO agreements with Minnesota State University, Mankato, and Ridgewater College, Willmar and Hutchinson, for the 2010-2011 school year. Director Alsleben seconded. Approved unanimously.

Director Twiss moved to enter into an agreement with Crown College in St. Bonifacius to provide a site for their students' field experiences and student teaching through August 1, 2013. Director Kuester seconded. Approved unanimously.

Member Gruenhagen introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT DONATION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District #2859, Glencoe-Silver Lake, as follows:

That the following donation be accepted with appreciation:

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Item Donated</u>	<u>Designation</u>
Class of 2010	\$554.41	New ticket booth

The motion for the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Lemke, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Gruenhagen, Alsleben, Lindeman, Schreifels, Lemke, 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 9:18 p.m. Director Twiss seconded. Approved unanimously.

Approved (Date) _____

Clerk

Chair