

OFFICIAL MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

Board of Education

Independent School District No. 423

February 10, 2014

CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Kamrath called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 423, Hutchinson, MN, at 5:30 pm in the City Council Chambers at City Center.

ROLL CALL - Members Present: Byron Bettenhausen, Josh Gehlen, Lori Hornick-Lindell, Keith Kamrath, Deb Penwell, and Jim Waldron. Also present were Daron VanderHeiden, Superintendent; Donna Luhring, Director of Business and Finance; Tina Vorlicek, Recording Secretary; and student representative Nina Grunzke. Members absent: none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Chairman Kamrath invited members of the audience to address the board regarding items on the agenda. No public comments were offered.

CONSENT AGENDA – Motion made by Byron Bettenhausen, seconded by Deb Penwell, with all members present voting aye, to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- Approved the minutes of the January 13, 2014 reorganization meeting, the January 13, 2014 regular meeting, and the January 27, 2014 quarterly meeting.
- Ratification of the January 8, 2014 through February 4, 2014 claims in the amount of \$3,306,465.19 (including wire transfers).
- Authorized the following employment:

Increased Assignment

- **Kari Nicholaison** – Special Education Assistant, Transition Assistance Program (2/4/14)

Leave of Absence

- **Jill Herdina Rude** – Grade 3 Teacher, Park Elementary (5/7/14 – 6/6/14)

New

- **Ruth Hamlow** – Crow River ALC Night School English Teacher (3/18/14 – 6/6/14)
- **Nancy Oellerich** – Long-term Substitute .5 ELL Teacher, Park Elementary (1/28/14 – 3/6/14)
- **Kyle Ziehl** – Maintenance Technician, District (2/24/14)

Resignations

- **Cindy Guggisberg** – Middle School Softball Coach (1/28/14)
- **Beth Karjala** – Custodian, Park Elementary (1/27/14)
- Approved an extended field trip for Student Council, April 6-8, 2014 to Oakdale, MN.
- Approved the food purchasing agreement between ISD 423 and St. Anastasia for the 2013-2014 school year.

LITTLE CROW TELEMEDIA NETWORK (LCTN) – Peter Royer, Director of Little Crow Telemedia Network (LCTN), provided an overview of LCTN and the video and data services provided to school districts

EYE ON THE TIGER (Olberg) – Park Elementary Principal, Dan Olberg, introduced a group of fifth grade students who prepared a PowerPoint presentation explaining the transition from West Elementary to Park Elementary and from Park Elementary to Middle School. Transition activities include everything from Kindergarten PTO Fun Nights to 5th graders learning how to successfully open a combination lock. Thank you to Jerome Hilgemann, Cole Rahne, Maddy Nordman, Katrina Struthers, Macy Ellis, Alia Muellerleile, Morgan Becker, and Abby Bairey for preparing a wonderful presentation!

DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS – Daron VanderHeiden, Superintendent, presented the district highlights.

- Congratulations to Gus Peller for placing first and Kyle Oestreich for placing second in the 26th Annual National Geography Bee at Park Elementary.
- Congratulations to the fifth grade band students for performing “A Night of Music”.
- Congratulations to the Lego League Tigers for placing eighth overall out of sixty-six teams at the state competition. The team also took second place in Innovative Solutions.

- Congratulations to the Math Counts team of Abigail Riewer, Adam Tracy, Mitchell Girard, and Jackson Schooler for placing first out of 20 teams at the chapter Math Counts competition. Congratulations to Jacob Lauer for placing in the top eight individually out of 150 students.
- Congratulations to the High School Students of the Month for January 2014.
 - Philip Bashans, Grade 10, Cell Biology
 - Elli Gifferson, Grade 9, Physical Science Earth
 - Nina Grunzke, Grade 11, Physics
 - Alecia Hansen, Grade 10, Cell Biology
 - Ryan McCormick, Grade 11, AP Biology
 - Hope Stassen, Grade 12, AP Biology
 - Evan Stukey, Grade 12, Anatomy & Physiology
 - Taylor Telecky, Grade 10, Biology Kingdoms
- Congratulations ExCEL (Excellence in Community, Education and Leadership) award nominees Alexis Lansink and Samuel Ellefson.
- Congratulations Region 2AA Triple A (Academics, Arts, and Athletics) nominees Madison Christie and Gannon Jordal.
- Congratulations to Joshua Gehlen for earning the Minnesota School Board Association Directors' Award for completing 100 or more hours of MSBA- and NSBA-sponsored meetings and activities.

STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS – Nina Grunzke presented the student highlights.

- The Cabin Fever week activities did not go as planned; however, the Student Council is considering options for next year.
- The next event being planned is prom.

AUTHORIZATION TO SEEK BIDS TO REPLACE BOILERS AT PARK ELEMENTARY (Mohr) – Moved by Josh Gehlen, seconded by Byron Bettenhausen, with all members present voting aye, to authorize Brian Mohr, Director of Buildings, Grounds, and Student Transportation, to seek bids for the replacement of the boilers at Park Elementary.

FIRST READING: POLICY 813 – USE OF SCHOOL DISTRICT FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT (Mohr) – Motion made by Lori Hornick-Lindell, seconded by Josh Gehlen, with all members present voting aye, to approve the first reading of policy 813 – Use of School District Facilities and Equipment. Proposed changes are posted on the district website (www.hutch.k12.mn.us).

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AGREEMENT (Luhring) – Moved by Jim Waldron, seconded by Josh Gehlen, with all members present voting aye, to approve the Building Supervisor (Dan Piehl) employment contract for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. The total increase, including salary and benefits, is one-percent.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - Committee reports were presented as follows:

- District Improvement Team (Penwell/Bettenhausen) – The group met February 10, 2014. Information was shared between the various leadership teams, PLCs were discussed, and a representative from the Minnesota Department of Education presented information about test scores and how to read and utilize the data. The next meeting is April 23, 2014.
- Educator Licensing & Teacher Quality (Penwell) – The next meeting is March 20, 2014.
- Facilities (Bettenhausen/Gehlen/Hornick-Lindell) – The committee reviewed policy 813, boilers at Park Elementary, participated in a workshop to discuss a full assessment of all district facilities, reviewed bond election history and voter profile data, and reviewed long-range/high-cost repairs. The next meeting is March 5, 2014.
- Finance (Gehlen / Kamrath / Waldron) – The committee reviewed financial reports, bills, referendum and location equity funds, Q-comp status, capitol purchases, LCTN, Special Education and transportation with the charter school, and a fuel clause in the transportation contract. The next meeting is March 10, 2014.
- Legislative / SEE (Kamrath) – The next meeting is February 21, 2014.

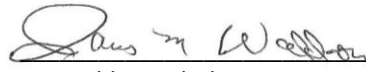
- Parks, Recreation, Community Education (Hornick-Lindell) – The new facility rental software was discussed. The next meeting is March 3, 2014.

UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS – The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 3, 2014, 5:30 pm in the Council Chamber at City Center. The meeting was rescheduled from March 10, 2014 due to conflicts with the availability of school board members.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion made by Byron Bettenhausen, seconded by Josh Gehlen, with all members present voting aye, to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 pm.


Keith Kamrath, Chairman

03/03/14
Date


Jim Waldron, Clerk

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