

## **OFFICIAL MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING**

Board of Education

Independent School District No. 423

May 12, 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 Lori Hornick-Lindell, seconded by Deb Penwell, with all members present voting aye, to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- Approved the minutes of the April 14, 2014 regular meeting and the April 28, 2014 quarterly meeting.
- Ratification of the April 10, 2014 through May 6, 2014 claims in the amount of \$774,372.79 (including wire transfers).
- Authorized the following employment:

***Extended School Year / Summer School***

- **Nancy Anderson** - Teacher (July – August 2014)
- **Wendy Anderson** - Teacher (July – August 2014)
- **Pam Davis** - Paraprofessional (June – August 2014)
- **Dave Ellefson** – Social Studies Teacher, CRALC (6/9/14 – 7/25/14)
- **Paula Ellis** - Paraprofessional (July – August 2014)
- **Brian Elwell** – Science Teacher, CRALC (6/9/14 – 7/25/14)
- **Melinda Dohman** - Teacher (July – August 2014)
- **Mark Field** - Paraprofessional (July – August 2014)
- **Jan Gothmann** - Teacher (July – August 2014)
- **Ruth Hamlow** – English Teacher, CRALC (6/9/14 – 7/25/14)
- **Erin Hepola** - Teacher (July – August 2014)
- **Jody Holtz** - Paraprofessional (July – August 2014)
- **Deb Johnson** - Paraprofessional (July – August 2014)
- **Sara Johnson** - Teacher (June – August 2014)
- **Sandy Knick** - Paraprofessional (July – August 2014)
- **Leah Knutson** - Teacher (July – August 2014)
- **Angie Kuttner** - Paraprofessional (July – August 2014)
- **Kaitlin May** - Teacher (July – August 2014)
- **Linda Miller** - Paraprofessional (July – August 2014)
- **Carmen Morrow** – High School 101 Teacher, CRALC (7/7/14 – 7/25/14)
- **Kyle Podratz** - Teacher (July – August 2014)
- **Shannon Pooler** - Teacher (July – August 2014)
- **Gina Prehn** - Paraprofessional (July – August 2014)
- **Corey Rude** – Math Teacher, CRALC (6/9/14 – 7/25/14)
- **Stacy Ruschmeyer** - Paraprofessional (July – August 2014)
- **Jan Sebesta** - Paraprofessional (July – August 2014)
- **CariAnn Squier** – High School 101 Teacher (7/7/14 – 7/25/14)
- **Sarah Watson** - Teacher (June – August 2014)
- **Al Wuetrich** – High School 101 Teacher, CRALC (7/7/14 – 7/25/14)
- **Laura Uitto** – Teacher (June – August 2014)

### ***Leave of Absence***

- **Amanda Harris** – English Teacher, High School (3/24/14 – 6/10/14)
- **Laurie Schroeder** - .5 FTE Title/Intervention Teacher, Park Elementary (5/1/14 – 6/5/15)

### ***New***

- **Holly Niska** – Long Term Substitute 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher, Park Elementary (5/7/14 – 6/6/14)
- **Jordan Rozeboom** – Chemistry Teacher, High School (8/25/14)
- **Paul Schwartz** – Long Term Substitute Computer Technician, Park Elementary (5/5/14 – 6/6/14)
- **Tina Tessman** – Long Term Substitute Secretary III, Middle School (4/11/14 – 6/13/14)

### ***Non-Renewals***

- **Michelle Anderson** – ADSIS Teacher, West Elementary (6/10/14)
- **Todd Buboltz** – Special Education Teacher, High School (6/10/14)
- **Gretchen Dahl** – English Teacher, High School (6/10/14)
- **Amber Hlavka** – English Teacher, High School (6/10/14)
- **Dave Kucera** – Head Boys' Basketball Coach (4/28/14)
- **Chad Sauter** – Social Studies Teacher, High School (6/10/14)
- **Dawn Teetzal** – Special Education Teacher, Middle School (6/10/14)

### ***Resignations***

- **Jessica Garberg** – Title 1 Education Assistant & Recess Supervisor, Park Elementary (4/30/14)
- **William Haas** – Technology Support, Park Elementary (5/2/14)
- **Lavyne Rada** – Agriscience Teacher, High School (6/9/14)

### ***Retirement***

- **Patricia Anderson** – Special Education Assistant, High School (6/9/14)

### ***Targeted Services***

- **Cindy Anderson** – Education Assistant, Middle School (4/29/14-5/30/14)

### ***Transfer / Change of Assignment***

- **Sarah Nelson** – Q Comp Teacher Evaluator, West and Park Elementary (8/25/14-6/10/15)
- Approved a student teaching agreement between Southwest Minnesota State University and ISD 423 for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017.

**RECOGNITION** – Josh Gehlen, on behalf of the Board of Education and ISD 423, congratulated Patricia Anderson, High School Special Education Assistant, on her upcoming retirement and thanked her for 24 years of service.

**EYE ON THE TIGER (Scott)** – Michael Scott, High School Assistant Principal and Director of the Crow River Area Learning Center (CRALC), provided information about alternative programming for students. Through the CRALC, qualifying students can participate in day, night, and summer school options. These options provide smaller class sizes, meet individual learning styles/needs, and can provide a closer connection between student and teacher.

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

- Thank you to St. Cloud State University for bringing the Science Express bus to West Elementary.
- A Hutchinson Public Schools Student Art Exhibit is taking place May 6 – 23, 2014 at the Hutchinson Center for the Arts. A public open house reception is May 14, 2014 from 6 – 8 pm.
- Congratulations to the High School Students of the Month for April 2014.
  - Andrew Bentz, grade 12, World History/Psychology
  - Jeana Bustamante, grade 12, Geography/Sociology
  - Megan Hay, grade 11, US Government
  - Matt Jenum, grade 9, American History
  - Emmanuel Lopez, grade 10, US History 10B
  - Ruby Redekopp, grade 10, AP US History
  - Mahri Schmit, grade 12, AP Human Geography
- Congratulations to the students who competed in the MSHSL Section 2AA Art Competition. 10 schools with 180 pieces of art were entered in the competition. HHS students received 6 Superior ratings, 8 Excellent ratings, and 9 Honorable Mentions.

- Congratulations to the Business Professionals of America National Competition participants and winners. Jinbin Chen placed first in Fundamental Spreadsheet and also in the top 10 of Integrated Office Applications. Abby Johnson placed in the top 10 in Advanced Word Processing. Thank you BPA Advisor Joan Padrnos.
- Congratulations to HHS Most Improved for Tri II: Sandy Showalter, Brandon Hewitt, and Brandon Ludewig. 19 students received “Gold” level improvement (improved GPA by at least 1.0) and 73 students received “Silver” level improvement (improved GPA by at least 0.5).
- Congratulations to Kaitlin Yira for receiving the Harvard Prize Book Award and to Will Kuball for receiving the Yale Prize Book Award. These awards are based on academics, character, and leadership.
- Congratulations to National Merit Scholarship Program Commended HHS Juniors: Mary Catherine Anderson, Alexis Lansink, and Karl Olson.
- Congratulations to the award winners from the first annual Interview Competition and Transition Fair (hosted by the McLeod Community Transition Interagency Committee). Laura Yetzer (Glencoe-Silver Lake HS) received Best Application, Josh Monge (Hutchinson HS) received Best Interview, and Tyler Anderson (Hutchinson HS) received Best Overall Presentation.
- Congratulations to Dave Ellefson, HHS Counselor, for being named the Central Division Counselor of the Year and to Barb Wedge, Secretary, for being named the Central Division Counseling Support Person of the Year.
- Congratulations to Mike Weisenberger (Science Teacher, Middle School), Kari Aten (Grade 1 Teacher, West Elementary), and Chanda Kropp (Spanish Teacher, High School) for being nominated for the Education Hutchinson Teacher of the Year.
- Congratulations to Jennifer Becker, Grade 1 Teacher at West Elementary, for being named the Education Hutchinson Teacher of the Year.

**STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS** – Nina Grunzke presented the student highlights.

- The Student Council and other clubs are starting the election process to select officers and leaders for the 2014-2015 school year.
- AP testing is in progress.
- Spring sports are very busy with opportunities to attend events every day.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** - Committee reports were presented as follows:

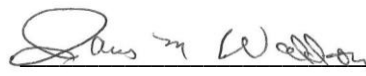
- District Improvement Team (Penwell/Bettenhausen) – The committee reviewed the year and looked at the upcoming PLC (Professional Learning Community) conference taking place in Hutchinson in June. The next meeting is July 16, 2014.
- Educator Licensing & Teacher Quality (Penwell) – The next meeting is May 29, 2014.
- Facilities (Bettenhausen/Gehlen/Hornick-Lindell) – The committee discussed greenhouse improvements and changes. The next meeting is June 4, 2014.
- Finance (Gehlen / Kamrath / Waldron) – The committee reviewed financial reports and bills, level III budget requests, the Affordable Health Care Act, the transportation contract, dental insurance rates, and preliminary insurance quotes. The next meeting is June 9, 2014.
- Legislative / SEE (Klamath) – Education items being monitored include spending targets and funding. The annual survey of State trends was also presented at the last SEE meeting. The next meeting is May 22, 2014.
- Parks, Recreation, Community Education (Hornick-Lindell) – Registration for summer activities began May 5, 2014. The next meeting is June 2, 2014.

**UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS** – The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 9, 2014, 5:30 pm in the Council Chamber at City Center.

**ADJOURNMENT** – Motion made by Lori Hornick-Lindell, seconded by Josh Gehlen, with all members present voting aye, to adjourn the meeting at 5:59 pm.

  
Keith Kamrath, Chairman

06/09/14  
Date

  
Jim Waldron, Clerk

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