

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2137 – Monday, November 16, 2020.

Please Note: Due to COVID-19, the board chair and superintendent will conduct teleconferencing with the remaining five (5) board members to mitigate exposure to COVID-19. Minnesota School Boards Association provided the following guidance (<http://www.mnmsba.org/COVID-19/MeetingsByConferenceCall>):

On Friday, March 13, Gov. Walz issued Executive Order 20-01, which declared a peacetime state of emergency pursuant to his powers under Minnesota Statutes Chapter 12: Emergency Management. This step allows school boards to meet by conference call or other electronic means under [Minnesota Statutes 13D.021](#).

The following conditions must be met for the board to meet by conference call:

1. The “presiding officer, chief legal counsel, or chief administrative officer” of the school board “determines that an in-person meeting...is not practical or prudent because of a health pandemic or an officially-declared emergency”;
2. All school board members can hear one another and hear all discussion;
3. The public present at the regular meeting location can hear all discussion and all votes, unless attendance at the regular meeting location is not feasible due to the health pandemic or emergency declaration;
4. At least one member of the school board, chief legal counsel, or chief administrative officer is physically present at the regular meeting location, unless unfeasible due to the health pandemic or emergency declaration; and
5. All votes are recorded by roll call ([Minnesota Statutes 13D.021](#)).

Note that items three and four have a disclaimer for a health pandemic.

Kingsland Public Schools adopted a resolution on Monday, April 6, 2020 allowing the school board to meet by conference (teleconference) call.

A duly posted regular meeting of the Board of Education, Independent School District No. 2137 was held in the Kingsland Public School choir room on Monday, November 16, 2020.

Call to Order: Board Chair Jackie Horsman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Kingsland Public Schools choir room. Roll call was taken. Present were Board Chair Jackie Horsman, Noella Lund, Natasha Howard, Maranda Emig, Kyle Rader, and Tiffany Mundfrom (absent at start of motion). Also in attendance were HS Principal/Superintendent James Hecimovich, ES Principal Scott Klavetter, Business Manager Amber Uhlenhake, and Athletic Director Mark Fitzpatrick. All present via teleconferencing and in-person attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Additions to the Agenda: None

Rader moved to approve the following consent items as presented. **Board Agenda:** as presented; **Minutes:** October 19, 2020 (Regular Board Meeting), November 4, 2020 (Work Session), November 13, 2020 (Special Board Meeting). **Approved the first reading** of the

2020-2021 Coaches Handbook. **Approved the first reading of policies:** 528, 529FRM, 530FRM, 531, 532. **Policy Adoption-second reading (scheduled):** 521FRM, 523, 525, 526, 527FRM, 620. **Staffing Updates: Hires:** Skylyn Vaith, Art Teacher; Micheal Elzy, Custodian, Full-time days; Geoff Erdman, Junior High Boys Basketball Coach; Joe Haynes, Van Driver. Motion seconded by Lund. Roll Call to approved. Aye-6, Nay-0. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Thank You and Recognition discussed: Beaver Township Donation - \$1465.00 (CARES ACT Donation)

Resolution Accepting Donations: Beaver Township Donation - \$1465.00 (CARES ACT Donation). The following resolution was moved by Lund and seconded by Mundfrom at the regular school board meeting on Monday, November 16, 2020. Role call to approve: Aye-6, Nay-0. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments: None.

Reports submitted and discussed: Jason Thompson, Building and Grounds; Becky Bicknese, Community Education; Judy Tart, Food Service; Dustin Tart, Transportation; Amber Uhlenhake, Business Manager; Mark Fitzpatrick, Activities Director; Scott Klavetter, PK-6 Principal; and James Hecimovich, Superintendent/7-12 Principal.

Old Business was discussed including Rebranding (Logo Contest) – waiting until strategic plan is done.

New Business was discussed including the Audit Update, reviewed and discussed; Compulsory Attendance Report, reviewed and discussed; Full-time substitute teacher position, discussed hiring a full-time substitute teacher position starting January 4, 2021, through the end of this school year. Call for motion made by Horsman to **Approve Full-time substitute teacher position**. Moved by Mundfrom. Seconded by Howard. Roll call to approve: Aye-6, Nay-0. Motion carried unanimously.

Announcements and Meeting Dates: The next Strategic Planning Committee Meeting will be Tuesday, November 17, 2020, at 6:30 PM in the Kingsland High School Office and via Zoom. The next Regular Board Meeting (Work Session) will be Monday, December 7, 2020, at 6:00 PM in the KPS Choir Room. The next Regular Board Meeting will be Monday, December 21, 2020, at 6:01 PM in the KPS Choir Room (Truth and Taxation Meeting at 6:01 p.m. and Regular Board Meeting at 6:15 p.m.)

Call for motion made by Horsman to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 p.m. Moved by Emig. Seconded by Mundfrom. Roll call: Aye-6, Nay-0. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted.
Kyle Rader - Clerk