

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF Independent School District No. 2137 - Wednesday, February 23, 2022

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.

Call to Order: The Regular Board Meeting (Regular Session) of Independent School District No. 2137 was called to order by Jackie Horsman, Board Chair, on Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call:

Members Present: Jackie Horsman, Chair; Kyle Rader, Vice Chair; Gwen Howard, Member; Maranda Emig, Member; Natasha Howard, Treasurer; Cindy Seabright, Clerk.

Members Absent: None.

Guests: Jim Hecimovich, High School Principal/Superintendent

Pledge of Allegiance: Recited.

Any additions to the agenda? None.

Thank you and Recognitions: Thank you to the following who gave donations: Spring Valley VFW and VFW Auxiliary to the Washington DC trip; Polly Lentz to the Elementary Library budget; Matt's Auto Body toward FFA/Ag; Kurt Langeslag for the Welding and Metal Arts; and Kingsland Athletic Booster Club.

A motion to approve Resolution Accepting Donations was made by Maranda Emig, seconded by Kyle Rader. Roll call vote taken. Those in favor: Jackie Horsman, Gwen Howard, Maranda Emig, Natasha Howard, Cindy Seabright, and Kyle Rader. Motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Board Agenda: As presented.

Review Meeting Minutes: Special Board Meeting Minutes from February 9, 2022.

Annual Policy Review - First Reading (Scheduled): 720 Vending Machines; 721 Uniform Grant Guidance Policy Regarding Federal Revenue Sources; 740 Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (Drone); 801/Form Equal Access to School Facilities.

Policy Adoption - Second Reading (Scheduled): 711 Transportation of Public School Students; 712 Transportation of Nonpublic Students; 713 Student Transportation Safety Policy; 714 Extra- curricular Transportation; and Head Lice.

Staff Updates:

Hires: Amy Grabau – Part Time SACC Assistant; John Fenske, Head Softball Coach; Missy Langeslag, JH Softball Coach; Morgan Langeslag, JH Softball Coach, Dakotah Rostad, Head Baseball Coach; Erik Bicknese, JV Baseball Coach; Paul Eckheart, Head Golf Coach; Bruce Hartert, Assistant Golf Coach

Resignations: Cathy Armstrong – Full Time Administrative Assistant to the Principal

Leaves: None.

Motion was made by Gwen Howard to approve the Consent Agenda, Natasha Howard seconded. Roll Call vote: Yes 5; No 0. Motion carried.

REPORTS: The following reports and updates given:

Transportation: There has been a lot of subbing.

School Board Reports and Updates: District Operations - Gwen and Cindy took cookies to bus drivers for Bus Driver Recognition. **Special Needs/ALC/SMEC** - Update from Kyle. Business manager has been hired. Bids for a garage are coming in higher than usual. **Negotiations** - Did an Intent to Negotiate. **Other:** Jackie gave an update on the superintendent search. Barb Dorn stated applications are coming in and usually increase 48 hours prior to deadline.

OLD BUSINESS:

Rebranding (Logo Contest): Closed on Friday, February 18, 2022.

Communication: Ongoing.

NEW BUSINESS:

Annual Report of Open Enrollment Numbers (4.0): Reviewed and tabled until next month.

Approve 2022-2023 School Calendar: Discussed. Motion made by Natasha Howard to approve the 2022-2023 school calendar, Kyle Rader seconded. Yes 5; No 0. Motion carried unanimously.

Revised 2022 Budget: Discussed. Motion made by Maranda Emig to approve the 2022 budget, Natasha Howard seconded motion. Yes 5; No 0. Motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MEETING DATES:

Next Regular Board Meeting – Monday, March 21, 2022 - 6:00 PM - KES Conference Room/Zoo

Next Work Session - Monday, March 7, 2022 – 6:00 PM - KES Conference Room/Zoom.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Maranda Emig to adjourn, Natasha Howard seconded. Meeting adjourned by roll call vote - 5 yes, 0 No. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy S. Seabright
Clerk

3/7/2022