January 23, 2007

The Board of Education of Independent School District No. 238 met in regular session on Tuesday, January 23, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room.

Members present: Aberg, Adkins, Hall, Kuhn, Laitinen, Soiney, Swenson and Supt. Love

Also present: Linda Turner, Lana Hollar, Kay Dahle, Barb Kerns, Mat Miller and Chris Hansen

Supt. Love called the reorganizational meeting to order.

Motion by Adkins, second by Swenson and carried unanimously, to elect Mary Kuhn as Chair.

The meeting was turned over to Chair Kuhn.

Motion by Swenson, second by Aberg and carried unanimously, to elect Cristal Adkins as Vice-Chair.

Motion by Swenson, second by Adkins and carried unanimously, to elect Kaye Laitinen as Clerk.

Motion by Hall, second by Aberg and carried unanimously, to elect Dave Swenson as Treasurer.

Motion by Laitinen, second by Adkins and carried unanimously, to approve the revised agenda.

Motion by Swenson, second by Hall and carried unanimously, that board salaries remain the same: officers at $850 and directors at $750 plus $40.00 for each additional meeting.

Motion by Aberg, second by Adkins and carried unanimously, to hold regular board meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the school conference room.

Motion by Laitinen, second by Hall and carried unanimously, to designate official depositories as Minnesota Liquid Asset Fund, Bank of the West of Mabel and The Canton State Bank.

Motion by Laitinen, second by Soiney and carried unanimously, to designate Mabel News-Record as the official newspaper.

Motion by Adkins, second by Swenson and carried unanimously, to designate KQYB, KTTC, WIZM, KDEC , WKBT, WXOW, KIMT and KROC as official communication channels.

Motion by Hall, second by Soiney and carried unanimously, to designate Chris Hansen, Bev Bakke and Supt. Love to make electronic fund transfers for the district.

Motion by Hall, second by Adkins and carried unanimously, to appoint Kaye Laitinen as RRED/HVED board representative.

Motion by Soiney, second by Adkins and carried unanimously, to appoint Dave Swenson, Brian Aberg and Mary Kuhn to the negotiations committee.

Motion by Swenson, second by Aberg and carried unanimously, to appoint Jane Hall, Troy Soiney and Cristal Adkins to the community education committee.

Motion by Laitinen, second by Hall and carried unanimously, to approve the December 19, 2006 minutes.

Motion by Swenson, second by Adkins and carried unanimously, approve payment of monthly bills.

IEA representative Mat Miller presented the quotes for a new fire alarm system.

Motion by Aberg, second by Swenson and carried unanimously, to accept the Custom Alarm quote for replacement of the fire alarm system. The cost will be $37,749.66 payable out of health and safety funds.

Mat Miller presented different options and costs regarding a keyless entry and a security system.

Motion by Laitinen, second by Hall and carried unanimously, to accept the quote from Custom Alarm for the installation of security cameras and a keyless entry system.

Discussion was held on the proposed facility use policy.

Motion by Adkins, second by Soiney and carried unanimously, to table the facility use policy until the next meeting.

Motion by Swenson, second by Adkins and carried unanimously, to approve a 2006-2007 community education director contract for Lowell Haroldson for $1000 per year.

Motion by Swenson, second by Aberg and carried unanimously, to extend Marcia Love’s superintendent contract to 2007-2008 with details to be worked out by the February meeting.

Motion by Adkins, second by Hall and carried unanimously, to approve a leave without pay request from Lynette Donald.

Motion by Hall, second by Adkins and carried unanimously, to approve the Pay Equity Report.

Discussion was held on summer driver training options.

Motion by Adkins, second by Hall to approve raising driver ed fees to $330 and to approve a contract with PDH Driving Academy with the understanding that all students from 2006 who still need behind the wheel instruction would be included at no extra charge. Adkins and Hall withdrew motion.

Motion by Adkins, second by Swenson and carried unanimously , to approve a contract with PDH Driving Academy at a student cost of $280 for 2006-2007 and $330 for 2007-2008, with the understanding that all students from summer of 2006 who still need behind the wheel instruction would be included at no extra charge.

Motion by Adkins, second by Soiney and carried unanimously, to approve a Memoradum of Understanding with the MCEA regarding driver training.

Supt. Love reported on the possibility of installing bleachers on one side of the elementary gym and on resolution of the plumbing issues in the locker and shower rooms.

Motion by Hall, second by Aberg and carried unanimously, to approve payment of $7839.52 to STS for plumbing expense in the locker and shower room areas. In favor: Aberg, Adkins, Hall, Laitinen, Kuhn, Soiney. Swenson abstained from the vote.

Motion by Adkins, second by Aberg and carried unanimously, to authorize superintendent to have the sinks in the locker room areas replaced.

 Principal Dahle updated the Board on the teacher workshop held on January 22, the 10th grade writing tests that were held, progress that was being made on choosing math curriculum for next year and lock down procedures.

Supt. Love informed the Board of the Root River Ed District status and future plans for services.

The Board will meet on Tuesday, January 30 at 6:30 p.m. in the media center for a Meet and Confer with the teaching staff.

Motion by Adkins, second by Hall and carried unanimously, to adjourn.

Kay Laitinen, Clerk