

# School Board Meeting Minutes

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #912

MILACA, MINNESOTA 56353

Tuesday, December 21, 2010 6:30 pm

Board Room

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 912, Milaca, Minnesota was held in the Board Room on Tuesday, December 21, 2010, for the purpose of discussing Board business.

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm by Chairperson, Pat Nelson.

Upon Roll Call, the following members were present: Todd Quaintance, Linda Ramson, Pat Nelson, Jackie Struffert, Aimee Struffert, Jody Chambers. Those absent: Jeff Larson. Superintendent, Jerry Hansen, was also present.

Motion by J. Struffert, second by A. Struffert, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

## Public Forum

No one spoke at Public Forum.

## Consent Agenda

Motion by J. Chambers, second by J. Struffert, to approve the remainder of the consent agenda:

- Approval of the meeting minutes from the Regular and Closed Board Meetings held on November 16, 2010 and the Special Meeting held on December 7, 2010
- Approval of check numbers 627115 through 627388
- Approval of liquid asset transfers to checking: \$533,000 on 11/09/10, \$20,750 on 11/18/10, \$900,000 on 11/22/10
- Hire Deanna Cooley, High School Paraprofessional, 31.25 hours/week, \$10.51/hour, effective December 13, 2010
- Hire Julie Haen, Homebound Teacher, 6 hours/week, \$24.00/hour, effective November 29, 2010
- Hire Patricia Zumberge, AIP Long Term Substitute, BA, Step 1, 1.0 FTE, \$7,622.87, effective January 10 – March 14, 2011
- Hire Leslie Ploeger, Business Long Term Substitute, BA, Step 1, 1.0 FTE, \$6,699, effective December 7, 2010 – February 4, 2011
- Hire Kathy Nystrom, WSI, \$9.50/hour, effective December 27 – 30, 2010
- Hire Emily Swenson, WSI, \$9.50/hour, effective December 27 – 30, 2010
- Hire Vanessa Johnson, WSI, \$9.50/hour, effective December 27 – 30, 2010
- Hire Megan Olson, WSI, \$9.50/hour, effective December 27 – 30, 2010
- Increase in hours for Deb Gadacz, Paraprofessional, from 33.75 to 38.75 hours/week, \$14.89/hour, effective December 13, 2010
- Approve FMLA leave for Jane Miller, effective November 18-December 1, 2010 and intermittently through December 23, 2010
- Approve FMLA leave for Brenda Rueckert, effective December 8, 2010 until approximately January 21, 2011
- Approve the resignation of Michael Meyers, Paraprofessional, effective December 10, 2010
- Approve the resignation of Jennifer Gross, Paraprofessional, effective December 10, 2010
- Third Reading and Approval of the Policy 618 – Assessment of Student Achievement
- Approval of the Contract with LifeTouch for 2011-2012 Pictures
- Approve the 2011-2014 Superintendent's Contract
- Approval of the 2010-2012 Custodial Contract
- Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Damian Patnode as Community Education Director for 2010-2012
- Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Jerry Westphal to Manage the Operations for Community Education and Report to Community Education Director for 2010-2012
- Approval of the 2010-2012 Paraprofessional Contract
- Approval of the 2010-2012 Clerical Contract

The consent agenda was unanimously approved.

## Principals/Directors/Coordinators Report

The High School Principal reported on Policy 613 – Graduation Requirements and the registration handbook changes.

The Elementary Principal reported on the W.O.L.F. Program.

The Activities Director reported on the participation levels of Junior High Wrestling, asked the Board to consider hiring another wrestling coach and updated the Board on the new conference.

The Community Education Director reported the spring brochure has been sent out and on the Initiative Foundation grant.

Superintendent Hansen presented the Truth in Taxation presentation.

Items on Which Board Discussion and Action is Requested

Motion by J. Struffert, second by T. Quaintance, to approve the 5-year Strategic Plan. Motion carried.

Motion by T. Quaintance, second by A. Struffert, to certify the 2010 Payable 2011 Levy for a total amount of \$2,640,655.78. Motion carried.

Member Aimee Struffert introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO  
MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REDUCTIONS IN  
PROGRAMS AND POSITIONS AND REASONS THEREFOR.

WHEREAS, the financial condition of the school district dictates that the school board must reduce expenditures immediately, and

WHEREAS, this reduction in expenditure must include discontinuance of positions and discontinuance or curtailment of programs, and

WHEREAS, a determination must be made as to which teachers' contracts must be terminated and not renewed and which teachers may be placed on unrequested leave of absence without pay or fringe benefits in effecting discontinuance of positions,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 912, as follows:

That the School Board hereby directs the Superintendent of Schools and administration to consider the discontinuance of programs or positions to effectuate economies in the school district and reduce expenditures and, make recommendations to the school board for the discontinuance of programs, curtailment of programs, discontinuance of positions or curtailment of positions.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Todd Quaintance and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Todd Quaintance, Linda Ramson, Pat Nelson, Jackie Struffert, Aimee Struffert, Jody Chambers

the following voted against the same: None

and the following were absent: Jeff Larson

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

The Board heard reports from committees and noted the enrollment.

Superintendent and Board Member Items

The Superintendent reported on the possibility of a flexible learning year, which would start and end the 2011-12 school year 10 days early for testing purposes, and that the Business Manager position has been filled.

Motion by T. Quaintance, second by J. Chambers, not to add another wrestling coach. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the second reading of Policy 405 – Veteran's Preference, Policy 413 – Harassment and Violence, Policy 526 – Hazing Prohibition, Policy 514 – Bullying Prohibition Policy.


The Board reviewed the first reading of Policy 613 – Graduation Requirements and Policy 410 – Family and Medical Leave Policy.

Reviewed the student activities accounts.

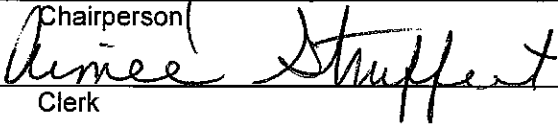
Motion by J. Struffert, second by L. Ramson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Chairperson



Clerk

January 18, 2011

Date

January 18, 2011

Date