

School Board Meeting Minutes
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #912
MILACA, MINNESOTA 56353
Monday, July 20, 2020 6:30 pm
Teleconference/Videoconference

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 912, Milaca, Minnesota was held by teleconference/videoconference on Monday, July 20, 2020, for the purpose of discussing board business.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Chairperson Rachelle Nelson.

Chairperson Nelson read a statement regarding the meeting being conducted virtually.

Upon roll call the following members were present via teleconference: Jennifer Corrow, Jere Day, Sara Larsen, Jeff Larson, Bryan Rensenbrink, Aimee Struffert, Rachelle Nelson. Superintendent David Wedin was also present.

Motion by S. Larsen, second by J. Larson, to approve the agenda. Roll call vote. In favor: J. Corrow, J. Day, S. Larsen, J. Larson, B. Rensenbrink, A. Struffert, R. Nelson. Against: none. Motion carried.

Public Forum

Superintendent Wedin did not receive any community items for public forum.

Committee Reports

B. Rensenbrink reported the Building and Grounds Committee met on July 14 for a construction update: roof work, CTE addition block work, and concession stand frame work is almost complete; pool completion delayed; elementary window install scheduled to be completed the last week of July; construction budget discussion; 3rd Avenue road construction scheduled to be complete before school starts.

Presentations

Directional Planning for Community Education presentation by Community Education Director, Bob Sumner.

Milaca Public Schools Reopening Planning presentation by Superintendent Wedin.

Principals/Directors/Coordinators Report

No administrator reports.

Consent Agenda

Motion by B. Rensenbrink, second by J. Day, to approve the consent agenda:

- Approval of minutes from the June 15, 2020 Regular Board Meeting and the July 1, 2020 Special Board Meeting
- Approval of transfers from PMA to First National: \$500,000 on 6/9/2020, \$300,000 on 6/15/2020, \$600,000 on 6/30/2020
- Hire Darcy Balder, Special Education Teacher, MA, Step 9, 1.0 FTE, \$59,398, effective August 25, 2020
- Rescind termination due to budget reduction of Patty Lewis, Custodial Class I Cleaner, 40 hours/week, \$14.65/hour, effective July 1, 2020
- Change in assignment for Meghan Hermanson, Pathway (\$30.00/hour) & ECFE (\$39.02/hour) Teacher, from 0 hours/week to 15 hours/week, BA+10, Step 10, effective July 6, 2020
- Change in assignment for Jenny Goldsmith, High School Clerical (Class II) to Student Services Clerical (Class II), \$20.66/hour, 40 hours/week, up to 199 days/year, effective August 17, 2020
- Hire Jenna Carlson, High School Office/Activities Clerical (Class II), \$17.41/hour, 40 hours/week, up to 205 days/year, \$17.41/hour, effective July 27, 2020
- Change in assignment for Nikki Tellefson, Youth Development and Adult Enrichment Coordinator, from 0 hours/week to 15 hours/week, \$14.50/hour, effective July 6, 2020
- Recall from layoff Cassandra Wredberg, Elementary Teacher, MA, Step 5, 1.0 FTE, \$52,141, effective August 31, 2020. Contingent upon out-of-field permission accepted by PELSB.
- Recall from layoff Rose Nelson, Elementary Teacher (Special Education), MA+10, Step 5, \$54,375, effective August 31, 2020. Contingent upon out-of-field permission being approved.
- Level I Certification \$0.25/hour increase for Melissa Baron, Food Service, to \$14.56/hour, effective June 15, 2020 (increases to \$14.92/hour on July 1, 2020)
- Hire Amanda Fradette, Elementary Teacher (Special Education), BA, Step 1, \$40,561, effective August 31, 2020. Contingent upon out-of-field permission being approved.
- Accept the resignation of Vanessa Eekhoff, Special Education Teacher, effective June 30, 2020
- Termination of Paula Borst, Long Term Custodial Substitute for Robert Clement, due to Mr. Clement's resignation, effective June 30, 2020
- Leave for Rosemary Nelson, Elementary Teacher, September 25 - December 4, 2020

- Approve the Letter of Assignment with Kerrie Johnson, Account Payable/Food Service Specialist, Effective July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021

Roll call vote. In favor: J. Corrow, J. Day, S. Larsen, J. Larson, B. Rensenbrink, A. Struffert, R. Nelson. Against: none. Motion carried.

Items on Which Board Discussion and Action is Requested

No items requiring board action.

Items of Information and/or Discussion Only

The board reviewed the enrollment numbers.

Superintendent and Board Member Items

Superintendent Wedin reported he is working with committees to plan for three different reopening plans for fall: in-person learning, hybrid model, and distance learning.

Superintendent Wedin reported working with a community member to address equity at Milaca Schools. As they met, it became evident that equity goes beyond the schools and should be a community discussion. They have scheduled a meeting with key community leaders to continue the discussion and to develop a plan on how to bring increased awareness and education to the community.

Superintendent Wedin has met with school board members, administrators, district office staff, school staff, union representatives, bus companies, and some district service providers. He will summarize the results of these meetings and present them at the August board meeting.

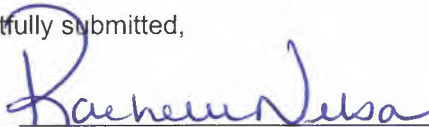
Superintendent Wedin reported the August board meeting will meet on campus. He also scheduled an August 10 study session to review the reopening plan. Superintendent Wedin reported the board consensus is committee meetings, depending on the topic and desire of the committee members, will continue to be held virtually.

Superintendent Wedin is excited for in his new role. He appreciates the community, school board, and staff support. He feels working together the district will get through the upcoming difficult decisions faced with for fall.

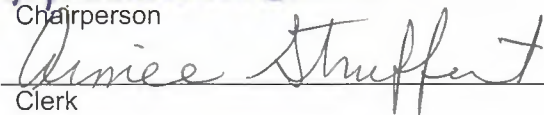
A. Struffert reminded the board members that school board candidates can start filing for candidacy on July 28.

Motion by J. Day, second by A. Struffert, to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Chairperson



Clerk

August 17, 2020

Date

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