School Board Meeting Minutes

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #912

MILACA, MINNESOTA 56353

Tuesday, April 21, 2015 6:30 pm

High School Media Center

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 912, Milaca, Minnesota was held in the High School Media Center on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 for the purpose of discussing Board business.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Chairperson Jeff Larson.

Upon Roll Call the following members were present: Judy Pearson, Sarah Ploeger, Brandon Baker (by phone), Jeff Larson, Aimee Struffert, Bryan Rensenbrink, Todd Quaintance. Superintendent Jerry Hansen, was also present.

Changes to Agenda:

- VI. Approval of the Consent Agenda
 - D. Personnel Items
 - 3. Resignations / Retirements / Seasonal Layoff / Termination:
 - d. Accept the resignation of Adam Isakson, Physical Education Teacher (addition)
 - e. Accept the resignation of Melissa O'Neal, English Teacher (addition)
 - 4. Staff Leave Requests
 - c. Extend FMLA for Kevin Johnson, Paraprofessional (addition)
 - M. Approval of 2015-2018 Superintendent Contract with Tim Truebenbach (addition)
- VII. Principals/Directors/Coordinators Report
 - C. Activities Director
 - 5. High School Assistant Color Guard Director (addition)
- VIII. Items on Which Board Discussion and Action is Required
 - B. Approve Hiring an Assistant Varsity JV Golf coach (addition)
 - C. Approve Hiring an Assistant Junior High Baseball Coach (addition)
 - D. Approve Hiring an Assistant Junior High Track Coach (addition)
 - E. Approve Hiring a High School Assistant Color Guard Director (addition)

Motion by B. Rensenbrink, second by S. Ploeger, to approve the agenda with the above changes. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

The Board heard reports from the Committee of the Whole Board and the Policy Committee.

Public Forum

Representatives from the Milaca Gay Straight Alliance introduced themselves to the Board and reviewed some of the things they have done and some of the things they have planned for the future.

Consent Agenda

Motion by B. Baker, second S. Ploeger, to approve the consent agenda:

- Approval of the minutes from the Regular & Closed Meeting on March 17, 2015, and the Special Board Meetings held on April 2, 2105 and April 16, 2015
- Approval of checks numbers 638128 through 638342 and the wire transfers
- Approval of the Liquid Assest Transfers to checking: \$320,000 on 3/27/15, PMA to checking: \$60,000 on 3/3/15, \$532,000 on 3/13/15, \$70,000 on 3/23/15, \$160,000 on 3/26/15, \$515,000 on 3/30/15, \$32,000 on 3/31/15
- Hire Aaron Samuel, Assistant 7th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach, \$1,314, effective January 12, 2015
- Hire Cory Pederson, Jr. High Golf Coach (1 year position to cover Kari Erickson's leave), \$1,868, effective March 11, 2015
- Increase in hours for Deb Winkler, Paraprofessional, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Monday-Friday, 37.5 hours/week (was 32.5 hours/week), effective March 26, 2015

- Increase in hours for Christine Jenson, Paraprofessional, 6:45 a.m. -3:00 p.m., Monday Friday, 38.75 hours/week (was 33.75 hours/week), effective March 26, 2015
- Hire Suzanne Lueck, Paraprofessional (replacing Amber Hagle), 8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m., Tuesday & Thursday, 6 hours/week, \$10.70/hour, effective April 14, 2015
- Hire Ashley Nelson, ALC Careers Teacher, 3:15 4:45 p.m., Monday & Wednesday, \$24.00/hour, effective March 25 – May 20, 2015
- Accept the retirement of Bonita Blowers, Elementary Teacher, effective May 29, 2015. Thank you, Bonita, for 27 years of service to Milaca Public Schools!
- Accept the 1-year leave for Kari Erickson, Jr. High Golf Coach. effective March 30, 2015
- Accept the retirement of Ann Hoehn, Elementary Teacher, effective May 31, 2015. Thank you, Ann, for 34 years of service to Milaca Public Schools!
- Accept the resignation of Adam Isakson, Physical Education Teacher, effective June 30, 2015
- Accept the resignation of Melissa O'Neal, English Teacher, effective May 29, 2015
- Approve FMLA for Gloria Struck, School Readiness Aide, effective March 21 May 1, 2015
- Approve childcare leave for Amber Stromberg, Elementary Teacher, effective 2015-2016 School Year
- Extend FMLA for Kevin Johnson, Paraprofessional from March 30 to June 1, 2015
- Name Steve Voshell as LEA Representative 2015-2016 in filling application under Public Law 107-110
- Approval of Policy 515 Public Notice (Directory Information) and Policy 520 Public Notice (Student Surveys) for 2015-2016
- Approval of the renewal of the Joint Agreement with Community Christian School for catering services
- Authorize the Business Manager and the Food Service Director to obtain milk bids
- Approve of lease agreement with Travis Novotny to farm school owned property for one year with the option to renew for an additional two years in the amount of \$2,000 subject to meeting the terms of the agreement
- Annual review and approval of the following policies: Policy 425 Staff Development, Policy 503 Student Attendance, Policy 604 Instructional Curriculum, Policy 617 School District Ensurance of Preparatory and High School Standards
- Approval of the Overnight Trip Request for the Marching Band Trip to New York, June 27 July 2, 2016
- Approval of the Overnight Trip Request for Softball to attend a 2 day tournament at Concordia Academy in Roseville, MN, May 1-2
- Approval of 2015-2018 Superintendent Contract with Tim Truebenbach

The consent agenda was unanimously approved.

Principals/Directors/Coordinators Report

The High School Assistant Principal reported that prom was a success, testing is in progress, the student handbook will be sent in May for Board review, and Senior Awards Night is May 18 and Graduation is May 29.

The Elementary Assistant Principal reported on testing and the student handbook will be sent in May for Board review.

The Activities Director reported that based on participation numbers for Boys Golf, Jr. High Baseball, Jr. High Track, and Color Guard assistant coaches/directors need to be added to these activities. Girl's basketball team and the girls softball teams received gold bars for their team GPAs. Congratulated Erin Hackenmueller for 8th place in Prose, Olivia Blue Larson for 13th place in Creative, Spencer Bush and Leif Larson for 11th in Duo at the State Speech meet. Chairperson Jeff Larson also congratulated the Girls Basketball team on their success academically and on the court.

The Community Education Director reported the summer brochure has been sent out by mail and registration opens on April 24. Cost of the advertising in the brochure helped offset the printing costs. Summer Kids Town starts in June and will incorporate an online software module for Kids Town billing. The Special Olympics program now has 40+ athletes.

The Director of Student Achievement reported the MCA testing has been suspended by the Commissioner of Education until Pearson has resolved the technical glitches. The ACT materials are ready for the April 28 ACT test.

The Business Manager provided the Board with an update on the financial picture of the district.

Items on Which Board Discussion and Action is Requested

Motion by T. Quaintance, second by B. Rensenbrink, to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Motion by S. Ploeger, second by B. Baker, to hire an Assistant Varsity – JV Golf Coach. Motion carried.

Motion by B. Rensenbrink, second by J. Pearson, to hire an Assistant Junior High Baseball Coach. Motion carried.

Motion by B. Baker, second by S. Ploeger, to hire an Assistant Junior High Track Coach. Motion carried.

Motion by A. Struffert, second by B. Rensenbrink, to hire a High School Assistant Color Guard Director. Motion carried.

Superintendent and Board Members Items

The Superintendent provided the Board a legislative update and that MCA testing issues are due to issues outside of Milaca.

The Board reviewed the first reading of the following policies: Policy 903 – Visitors to School District Buildings and Sites, Policy 205 – Open Meetings and Closed Meetings, Policy 206 – Public Participation in School Board Meetings/Complaints About Persons at School Board Meetings and Data Privacy Considerations, Policy 208 – Development, Adoption, and Implementation of Policies, Policy 419 - Tobacco-Free Environment, Policy 421 – Gifts to Employees and School Board Members, Policy 423 – Employee-Student Relationships, Policy 501 – School Weapons Policy, Policy 502 – Search of Student Lockers, Desks, Personal Possessions, and Student's Person, Policy 509 – Enrollment of Nonresident Students, Policy 524 – Internet Acceptable Use and Safety Policy, Policy 525 – Violence Prevention (Applicable to Students and Staff), Policy 532 – Use of Peace Officers and Crisis Teams to Remove Students with IEPs From School Grounds, Policy 603 – Curriculum Development, Policy 615 – Testing Accommodations, Modifications, and Exemptions for IEPS, Section 504 Plans, and LEP Students, Policy 619 – Staff Development for Standards, Policy 701.1 – Modification of School District budget, Policy 709 – Student Transportation Safety Policy, Policy 805 – Waste Reduction and Recycling, Policy 806 – Crisis Management Policy, Policy 807 – Health and Safety Policy, Policy 406 – Public and Private Personnel Data, Policy 410 – Family and Medical Leave Policy, Policy 413 – Harassment and Violence, Policy 526 – Hazing Prohibition, Policy 601 – School District Curriculum and Instruction Goals, Policy 623 – Mandatory Summer School Instruction, Policy 905 – Advertising, Policy 902 – Use of School District Facilities and Equipment

The Board reviewed the Student Activities account.

Motion by S. Ploeger, second by B. Rensenbrink, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

May 19, 2015

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