

School Board Meeting Minutes

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #912

MILACA, MINNESOTA 56353

Tuesday, February 17, 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, February 17, 2015 for the purpose of reorganization of the School Board and discussing Board business.

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Chairperson Jeff Larson.

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

Todd Quaintance arrived at 6:34 p.m.

Changes to Agenda:

VI. Approval of the Consent Agenda

D. Personnel Items

2. Notice of Assignment/Change in Assignment/Replacement:

- e. Hire Nicole Hartung, Summer Swim Lessons Programming: 3 Sessions of Private Lessons: \$350 Total, 2 Sessions of Regular Lessons: \$675 Total, effective June 8 – July 23, 2015 (clarification and date revision)

3. Resignations / Retirements / Seasonal Layoff/ Termination

- a. Accept the resignation of Diane Erickson, ABE Teacher. Thank you Diane for 20.5 years of service! (revision to years)

VII. Principals/Directors/Coordinators Report

D. Community Education Report (additions)

VII Items on Which Board Discussion and Action is Requested

F. Approve Hiring a Weight Room Supervisor (addition)

G. Approve Purchasing a Cover for the Swimming Pool (addition)

H. Approve Dedicating \$50,000 for Technology Equipment (addition)

I. Approve Hiring a 0.5 FTE DAPE Teacher (addition)

J. Approve Hiring a 1.0 FTE High School Special Education Teacher (addition)

K. Approve Replacing iPads and Related Materials for Grades 9-12 (addition)

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

Committee Reports

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

Public Forum

Sonia Hammill addressed the board regarding an incident with the youth pastors.

Consent Agenda

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

- Approval of the minutes from the January 20, 2015 Regular & Reorganizational Board Meeting
- Approval of checks numbers 637677 through 637903 and the wire transfers
- Approval of the PMA Transfers to checking: \$551,000 on 1/14/15, \$400,000 on 1/30/15 and LA Transfers to checking: \$550,000 on 1/28/15

- Notice of Assignment for Judith Swenson, ECFE/School Readiness Aide and Kids Town Level One Aide, \$12.20/hour for ECFE/School Readiness Aide and \$9.88/hour for Kids Town Level One Aide, approximately 30 hours/week
- Notice of Assignment for Nichelle Nell, ECFE/School Readiness Aide, \$9.50/hour, Mondays 8:15 a.m. – 2:45 p.m. and 5:45 – 7:15 p.m. and Tuesdays 11:15 a.m. – 2:25 p.m. and 5:45 – 7:45 p.m., additional hours as needed
- Hire Tarah Kipka, Targeted Services Tutor, 19.5 hours total, \$24/hour, effective January 26, 2015
- Change in assignment for Rebecca Ellefson, Food Server (replacing Bonnie Hoebelheinrich), 10:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m., 15 hours/week, \$11.27/hour, effective January 26, 2015
- Hire Nicole Hartung, Summer Swim Lessons Programming: 3 Sessions Private Lessons: \$350 Total, 2 Sessions Regular Lessons: \$675 Total, effective June 8 – July 23, 2015
- Hire Emily Miller, Long Term Substitute for Tashia Hobert, BA, Step 1, \$10,546.10, effective approximately March 10, 2015 through the end of the 2014-2015 School Year
- Hire Robin Nelson, Food Service (opening due to Rebecca Ellefson's change in assignment), 11:15 a.m. – 1:45 p.m., 12.5 hours/week, \$11.27/hour, effective, January 20, 2015
- Notice of Assignment for Robin Nelson, Food Service, 11:15 a.m. – 1:45 p.m., 12.5 hours/week, \$11.27/hour, effective, January 20, 2015
- Hire Leann Pietrzak, 2nd Semester Overload, BA, Step 8, \$3,410 (The overload was approved in September 2014 at BA, Step 8. Leann had 2 lane changes since then.)
- Change in assignment for Teresa Nelson, GED/ABE Teacher for School and Mille Lacs County Jail, Monday, Wednesday, and Thursdays: 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. and 12:30-2:30 p.m., Tuesday: 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 – 8:00 p.m., 3.75 hours prep/week, 21.75 hours/week total, \$21.75/hour, effective February 3, 2015
- Hire Kari Ross, Long Term Substitute for Sarah Totzke, BA, Step 1, \$7,382.27, effective February 9 – April 2, 2015
- Accept the retirement of Diane Erickson, ABE Teacher, effective January 30, 2015. Thank you, Diane, for 20.5 years of service to Milaca Schools! (This was approved at the December meeting as a resignation.)
- Accept the retirement of Jerry Hansen, Superintendent, effective June 30, 2015. Thank you, Jerry, for 6 years of service to Milaca Schools!
- Accept the resignation of Dave Wedin, JV Baseball Coach, effective September 23, 2014
- Accept the resignation of Nita Baron, 9th Grade Softball Coach, January 17, 2015
- Accept the resignation of Robben Gitzel, Assistant Cross Country Coach, effective February 10, 2015
- Accept the resignation of Jennifer Burroughs, Co-Head Girls Swim Coach, effective January 26, 2015
- Approve FMLA leave for Darlene Moody, Paraprofessional, 2 days/week, effective February 2, 2015 through May 1, 2015
- Approval of the Overnight Trip Request for Jr. High Marching Band to Valleyfair, June 20-21, 2015
- Approval of the Overnight Trip Request for the 7th Grade Band Trip to Duluth, May 1-2, 2015
- Approval of the Girls Golf Overnight Trip Request to Attend a Tournament in New London Spicer, April 23-26, 2015

The consent agenda was unanimously approved.

Principals/Directors/Coordinators Report

The High School Principal reported on the master schedule.

The Elementary Principal reported on preschool, I Love to Read month, and on the Pennies for Patients fundraisers.

The Activities Director reported on the winter activities and the NHS blood drive will be on March 11.

The Community Education Director reported that all ECFE Winter/Spring classes have met the minimum enrollment requirements so no classes were cancelled, summer kids town registration will begin in March, and the Princeton Jaycees donated \$2,000 to the Special Olympics program.

The Director of Student Achievement reported on OLPA testing and MCA planning.

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 A. Struffert, to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Motion by B. Baker, second by S. Ploeger, to approve no school for Grade 10 and Grade 12 on April 28 to facilitate ACT testing. Motion carried.

Motion by A. Struffert to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that, pursuant to M.S. 645.44, Subd. 5, the School Board of Independent School District No. 912 has determined that Columbus Day is not a legal holiday.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by B. Rensenbrink, and upon a roll call vote being taken, thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: J. Larson, A. Struffert, B. Rensenbrink, T. Quaintance, J. Pearson, S. Ploeger, B. Baker

and the following voted against the same: None

Signed on behalf of the Milaca School Board on February 17, 2015.

Motion by B. Baker, second by S. Ploeger, to approve the 2015-2016 School Calendar. Motion carried.

Motion by T. Quaintance, second by S. Ploeger, to approve the revised 2014-2015 budget. Motion carried.

Motion by B. Rensenbrink, second by J. Pearson, to hire a weight room supervisor, not including equipment. B. Rensenbrink amended his motion, second by J. Pearson, to table items F-K until March:

F. hire a weight room supervisor, not including equipment

G. approve purchasing a cover for the swimming pool

H. dedicate \$50,000 for technology equipment

I. hire a 0.5 FTE DAPE teacher

J. hire a 1.0 FTE High School Special Education Teacher

K. replace iPads and related materials for grades 9-12

B. Baker proposed a friendly amendment offered to table items F, H, I, J, K until March but proceed with item G (pool cover). Motion carried.

Motion by T. Quaintance, second by B. Baker, to approve purchasing a cover for the swimming pool for 2015-16. Motion carried.

The board reviewed the enrollment.

Items of Information and/or Discussion Only

The Superintendent reported on his visit to the capitol and School Board Recognition Week, February 16-20, 2015.

The Board reviewed the student activities account.

Motion by A. Struffert, second by B. Baker, to close the regular meeting for the purpose of negotiations discussion (MN § 13D.03). Motion carried. Regular meeting closed at 7:57 p.m.

Motion by B. Rensenbrink, second by T. Quaintance, to open the closed meeting for the purpose of negotiations discussion (MN § 13D.03). Motion carried. Closed meeting opened at 8:08 p.m.

The Board discussed negotiations.


Motion by S. Ploeger, second by J. Pearson, to close the closed meeting. Motion carried. Closed meeting closed at 8:44 p.m.


Motion by T. Quaintance, second by B. Rensenbrink, to open the regular meeting. Motion carried. Regular meeting opened at 8:45 p.m.

Motion by B. Rensenbrink, second by A. Struffert, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,


Chairperson


Clerk

March 17, 2015

Date

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