

School Board Meeting Minutes

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #912

MILACA, MINNESOTA 56353

Monday, May 19, 2008 6:30 pm

HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 912, Milaca, Minnesota was held in the High School Media Center on Monday, May 19, 2008, for the purpose of discussing Board business.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Chairperson, Pat Nelson.

Upon Roll Call, the following members were present: Pat Nelson, Bob Bunger, Connie Patnode, Jody Chambers, Todd Quaintance, Linda Ramson. Those absent: Aimee Struffert. Dr. Barbra Zakrajsek was also present.

Aimee Struffert arrived at 6:35 pm.

Student Presentations

Ms. Taylor and students from her Small Business/Entrepreneur class, seniors Laura Weisz, Denver Rogalla and Katie Fenna presented their Business Plans on the SMART Board.

Changes to Agenda

VII. Approval of the Consent Agenda

- A. Revised April 21, 2008 regular meeting minutes enclosure
- D. Personnel Items –
 - 31. Hire Jackie Kuehn, ESY Summer School Teacher
 - 32. Hire Kerrie Johnson, ESY RRN Clerical
 - 33. Hire Amber Werk, ESY RRN Behavior Manager
 - 34. Hire Julia Owen, ESY RRN Behavior Manager
 - 35. Hire Jeff Jespersen, ESY RRN Behavior Manager
 - 36. Hire Amber Hedstrom Koepel, ESY RRN Teacher
 - 37. Hire Brad Tolzman, ESY RRN Teacher
 - 38. Hire Michelle Spiczka, ESY RRN Teacher
 - 39. Hire Kylee Kay Thomas, Elementary Teacher
 - 40. Hire Amber Stromberg, Elementary Teacher

XI. Superintendent and Board Member Items

- A. Superintendent Report
 - 3. June 12 city Council Meeting Attendance
 - 4. \$51 Increase in funding next year (\$100,000)
 - 5. Transition Room reduction updated
 - 6. Board Member Yearbooks
- F. Superintendent Appraisal Discussion

Motion by T. Quaintance, second by C. Patnode, to approve the agenda with the above mentioned changes.

Public Forum

Jennifer Taylor and Sarah Roos presented to the Board on behalf of the Milaca School Public Relations Committee.

Charlie Plumadore requested assistance bringing to the City of Milaca's attention the importance of running a park referendum and a school operating referendum at different elections.

Good Things Happening

The Elementary raised \$3,447.06 for the pennies for patients drive. By raising more than \$2,008 in 2008, the Elementary became part of the LifeSavers Club. Schools had to raise \$2,008 in 2008. 74 other schools made the LifeSavers Club.

In April the FCCLA'ers went to State competition. FCCLA stands for Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America. It is a service learning orientated group. This past February, we had 14 students in grades 7-12 participate in Regional competition and 12 of them went on to State competition - which was Thursday, April 24-26 in Bloomington, MN. Listed below are the students who went to State, the award received, and the event they participated in:

Gold medals (top honor)

Emily Novak, Michelle Gerads, Tearza Otto: Illustrated Talk, Internet predators and pedophiles, 12th grade

Katie Fenna, Illustrated Talk, Designing your college dorm room, 12th grade

Sarah Timmer, Illustrated Talk, Learning Disabilities, 12th grade

Elizabeth Anderson, Illustrated Talk, Designing my bedroom, 8th grade
Chole Chambers, Illustrated Talk, Autism, 7th grade
Amber Dorr, Illustrated Talk, Teen gangs, 9th grade

Silver medals (next top honor)

McKinsey Moyer and Natalie Novak, Illustrated Talk, Tattoos and body piercing, 10th grade
Sydney Wheeler and Kari Pikus, Illustrated Talk, Child Abuse, 9th grade

Consent Agenda

The Board pulled the hire Troy Anderson, HS Principal and the termination of Josh Wimmer, Mock Trial Advisor from the consent agenda.

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

- Approval of the meeting minutes from the Regular and Closed Board meeting held on April 21, 2008
- Approval of check numbers 619843 through 620147
- Approval of wire transfers:
Liquid asset transfers to checking: \$200,000 on 4/10/08, \$40,000 on 4/18/08, \$60,000 on 4/18/08, \$595,000 on 4/24/08
Liquid asset transfers to HSA accounts: \$8,014.78 on 4/10/08, \$8,337.01 on 4/25/08
- Hire Megan Olson, Lifeguard \$6.50/hour, Head Lifeguard \$6.75/hour, Aide \$8.00/hour, hours vary, effective May 27, 2008
- Hire Megan Westling, Lifeguard \$7.00/hour, Head Lifeguard \$7.25/hour, Aide \$8.25/hour, WSI \$9.50/hour, hours vary, effective May 27, 2008
- Hire Taryn Brown, Lifeguard \$6.50/hour, Head Lifeguard \$6.50/hour, Aide \$8.00/hour, WSI \$9.00/hour, hours vary, effective May 27, 2008
- Hire Megan Haman, Lifeguard \$6.75/hour, Head Lifeguard \$7.00/hour, Aide \$8.00/hour, hours vary, effective May 27, 2008
- Hire Katherine Nystrom, Lifeguard \$6.50/hour, Head Lifeguard \$6.50/hour, Aide \$8.00/hour, WSI \$9.00/hour, hours vary, effective May 1, 2008
- Hire Kari Erickson, Lifeguard \$7.25/hour, Head Lifeguard \$7.50/hour, WSI \$11.00/hour, Aide \$8.25/hour, hours vary, effective May 27, 2008
- Hire Ashley Kranz, Lifeguard \$6.75/hour, Head Lifeguard \$7.00/hour, Aide \$8.25/hour, hours vary, effective May 1, 2008
- Hire Miranda Rawley, Lifeguard \$6.75/hour, Head Lifeguard \$7.00/hour, Aide \$8.25/hour, hours vary, effective May 1, 2008
- Hire Emily Swenson, Head Lifeguard \$6.50/hour, WSI \$9.00/hour, effective May 27, 2008
- Hire Nikki Hartung, Summer Kids Town Coordinator, 35 hours/week, \$12.23/hour, effective June 2, 2008
- Hire Judy Olsen, Summer Kids Town Aide, 27.5 hours/week, \$9.69/hour, effective June 2, 2008
- Hire Michelle Gerads, Summer Kids Town Aide, 32.5 hours/week, \$6.40/hour, effective June 2, 2008
- Hire Darrick Gorecki, Summer Kids Town Aide, 20 hours/week, \$9.69/hour, effective June 2, 2008
- Hire Melvin Hartung, 3/4 time (6 hours/day) night custodian, \$13.93/hour (+\$0.50/hour for night shift differential, until switch to summer hours), effective May 20, 2008
- Hire Zachary Close, Summer Grounds, 40 hours/week for approximately 9 weeks, \$8/hour, effective June 9, 2008
- Hire Linda Moyer, Summer Custodial, 40 hours/week for approximately 9 weeks, \$8/hour, effective June 9, 2008
- Hire Sharon DeVries, Summer Custodial, 40 hours/week for approximately 10 weeks, \$8/hour, effective June 9, 2008
- Hire Josh Franklin, Summer Custodial, 40 hours/week for approximately 9 weeks, \$8/hour, effective June 9, 2008
- Hire Barb Witchen, Summer Kids Town Aide, 12-15 hours/week, \$9.69/hour, effective June 2, 2008
- Hire Missy Tellinghuisen, Summer Kids Town Aide, hours as needed, \$9.69/hour, effective June 2, 2008
- Hire Vanessa Johnson, Head Lifeguard \$6.50/hour, Lifeguard \$6.50/hour, Aide \$8.00/hour, WSI \$9.00/hour, effective May 27, 2008
- Hire Jane Kaufmann, ESY Summer School Para, \$11.55/hour, 54 hours total, effective June 9, 2008
- Hire Teresa Nelson, ESY Summer School Para, \$10.90/hour, 27 hours total, effective June 10, 2008
- Hire Cindy Johnson, ESY Summer School Para, \$14.40/hour, 54 hours total, effective June 9, 2008
- Hire Candy Jacobson, ESY Birth-3 Summer Services, \$24.00/hour, 210 hours total, effective June 9, 2008
- Hire Deb Streeter, ESY Summer School Teacher, \$24.00/hour, 68 hours total, effective June 9, 2008
- Hire Julie Jola, ESY Summer School Speech Teacher, \$24.00/hour, 68 hours total, effective June 9, 2008
- Hire Sandy Lanz, Summer Painting, \$12/hour, 280 hours total, effective June 2, 2008
- Hire Brenda Rueckert, Summer Painting, \$12/hour, 280 hours total, effective June 2, 2008
- Hire Jackie Kuehn, ESY Summer School Teacher, \$24.00/hour, 68 hours total, effective June 9, 2008
- Hire Kerrie Johnson, ESY RRN Clerical, \$16.07/hr, 36.75 hours total, effective June 16, 2008

- Hire Amber Werk, ESY RRN Behavior Manager, \$16.22/hour, 36.75 hours total, effective June 16, 2008
- Hire Julia Owen, ESY RRN Behavior Manager, \$16.22/hour, 36.75 hours total, effective June 16, 2008
- Hire Jeff Jespersen, ESY RRN Behavior Manager, \$16.22/hour, 36.75 hours total, effective June 16, 2008
- Hire Amber Hedstrom Koepel, ESY RRN Teacher, \$24.00/hour, 36.75 hours total, effective June 16, 2008
- Hire Brad Tolzman, ESY RRN Teacher, \$24.00/hour, 36.75 hours total, effective June 16, 2008
- Hire Michelle Spiczka, ESY RRN Teacher, \$24.00/hour, 36.75 hours total, effective June 16, 2008
- Hire Kylee Kay Thomas, Elementary Teacher, BA, Step 2, \$33,429, effective August 26, 2008
- Hire Amber Stromberg, Elementary Teacher, BA, Step 1, \$32,387, effective August 20, 2008
- Layoff Denise Helman, Para, position eliminated (lay off of 30.75 hours/week) effective May 16, 2008
- Termination of Jeffrey Jespersen, RRN Behavior Manager, due to Joint Powers Agreement, effective June 30, 2008
- Termination of Julia Own, RRN Behavior Manager, due to Joint Powers Agreement, effective June 30, 2008
- Termination of Andrea Werk, RRN Behavior Manager, due to Joint Powers Agreement, effective June 30, 2008
- Termination of Kerrie Johnson, RRN Clerical, due to Joint Powers Agreement, effective June 30, 2008
- Termination of Mary Plante, Business Manager, due to contracting Business Manager duties with SMS, effective June 30, 2008
- Accept the resignation of Amanda Steffens, Science Teacher, effective at the end of the 2007-2008 school year
- Termination of Gary Gangl, probationary night custodian, effective May 19, 2008
- Accept the resignation of Damian Patnode, JV Girls Basketball Coach, effective May 2, 2008
- Termination of Jackie Kuehn, 9th Grade Girls Basketball Coach, effective May 2, 2008
- Accept the retirement of Bernie Oldenkamp, effective May 2, 2008
- Accept the request for extended unpaid leave for Bonnie Hathcock, effective through May 29, 2008
- Accept the FMLA leave request for Karen Jerdin, Food Service, effective May 5, 2008 returning September 2008
- Approval of the Joint Powers Agreement for Rum River Cooperative
- Approve seasonal layoff of PERA personnel
- Approve the 2008-2009 Mille Lacs County Family Services Collaborative Contract for Interagency Family Facilitator Services
- Approval of Directory Information for 2008-2009
- Approval of rSchoolToday Contract for website transition and management

Consent agenda unanimously approved.

After further discussion the Board made the following motions on the items pulled from the consent agenda:

Motion by J. Chambers, second by C. Patnode to approve the hire of Tory Anderson, HS Principal, 2008-2009 at a salary of \$82,000, effective July 1, 2008, with the understanding that it will be negotiated with the unit when they negotiate for the 2008-2010 school years. Roll call vote. Those voted in favor: P. Nelson, A. Struffert, C. Patnode, J. Chambers, T. Quaintance, L. Ramson. Those voted against: B. Bunger. Motion carried.

Motion by B. Bunger, second by T. Quaintance, to accept the termination of Josh Wimmer, Mock Trial Advisor and 8th grade Volleyball Coach, effective May 2, 2008. Motion carried.

Principals/Directors/Coordinators Report

The Activities Director reported on an Ogilvie Swimming and Diving Cooperative.

Motion by B. Bunger, second by J. Chambers, to approve the swimming co-op with Ogilvie at a cost of \$300 per Ogilvie student. Motion carried.

Items on Which Board Discussion and Action is Requested

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

Motion by A. Struffert, second by J. Chambers, to approve 2008-2009 Revenue and Expenditure Budgets. Motion carried.

Motion by B. Bunger, second by J. Chambers, to approve the Distance Learning Joint Powers Agreement with Milaca Membership. Motion carried.

Motion by A. Struffert, second by L. Ramson, to approve the separation agreement with Community Ed Director. Roll call vote. Those voted in favor: P. Nelson, A. Struffert, C. Patnode, J. Chambers, T. Quaintance, L. Ramson. Those voted against: B. Bunger. Motion carried.

Motion by B. Bunger, second by T. Quaintance, to adopt the contingent resolution relating to choosing nominees for election to the School Board and calling the school district primary election. Roll call vote. Those voted in favor: B. Bunger, T. Quaintance. Those voted against: P. Nelson, A. Struffert, C. Patnode, J. Chambers, L. Ramson. Motion failed.

Motion by J. Chambers, second by C. Patnode, to adopt the resolution establishing dates for filing affidavits of candidacy to begin August 26, 2008 and end September 9, 2008 at 5:00 pm. Roll call vote. Those voted in favor: P. Nelson, A. Struffert, C. Patnode, J. Chambers, L. Ramson. Those voted against: B. Bunger, T. Quaintance. Motion carried.

Johnson Controls was present to discuss the end of the duct decontamination and recommissioning project.

Heard reports from the Board committees.

The Superintendent asked the Board where they would like to hold the meetings during the summer, scheduled negotiations meetings, asked the Board to attend the June 12th City Council meeting, reported a \$51 per pupil increase in funding next year (\$100,000), updated the Board on the Transition Room reduction, asked any Board Members if they wished to donate their yearbooks to a needy student, and reported on the custodial grievance, transportation meeting and meet and confer.

The Board reviewed the second reading of the following policies: Policy 202 – School Board Officers and Policy 606 – Textbooks and Instructional Materials.


The Board reviewed materials on listening sessions versus public forums.

The Board reviewed the calendar, the student activity account, and discussed the Superintendent Appraisal.

Motion by B. Bunger, second by T. Quaintance, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Chairperson

June 16, 2008

Date


Clerk

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Date