### **INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #912**

MILACA, MINNESOTA 56353 Monday, September 15, 2008 5:15 pm BOARD ROOM

# **CLOSED BOARD MEETING (MN STATUE 121A.43 TO 121A.53)**

### I. CALL TO ORDER CLOSED SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- Chairperson, Pat Nelson

## II. ROLL CALL - CLERK Those present: Those absent:

Voting Rotation: Pat Nelson, Bob Bunger, Aimee Struffert, Connie Patnode, Jody Chambers, Todd Quaintance, Linda Ramson

### III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

### IV. CONSIDERATION OF STUDENT EXPULSION

## V. ADJOURNMENT

#### So, How Are The Children?

This is a traditional greeting among the African Masai Tribe acknowledging the high value that the Masai place on their children's well-being. Even warriors with no children of their own give the traditional answer. "All the children are well." Meaning, that peace and safety prevail, that the priorities of protecting the young, and the powerless are in place, and that we have not forgotten our reason for being, our proper functions and responsibilities. "All the children are well" means that life is good.

Speech by Rev Patrick T. O'Neill

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#### MILACA SCHOOL DISTRICT GOALS

#### 1. Goal: Focus on the Whole Individual

Objectives: 1. Model and expect respect

- 2. Promote ethical behavior, cultural awareness, and personal responsibility
- 3. Provide broad and comprehensive enrichment opportunities
- 4. Reach all learners

#### 2. Goal: Define, Measure and Track Student Achievement

**Objectives:** 1. Identify measurable student achievement data

- 2. Set student achievement goals
- 3. Use student achievement data to drive research-based curriculum and instructional strategies
- 4. Evaluate and communicate student achievement

### 3. Goal: Operate Within a Balanced Budget Each Year

**Objectives:** 1. Form an advisory finance council

- 2. Develop a school district fund balance policy
- 3. Assess and adjust budget/programs as needed

#### 4. Goal: Strengthening Community Support

**Objectives:** 1. Foster community trust and good will

- 2. Increase community involvement in school
- 3. Expand communication among school, family, and community

#### MILACA SCHOOL DISTRICT VISION STATEMENT

The Milaca Public Schools will provide educational opportunities and serve as a resource for all learners in the community. The schools will provide a safe and respectful learning environment. We will focus on educating the whole individual by preparing each learner with the skills needed to succeed as a responsible citizen in our changing and diverse world.