

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES  
I.S.D. #2534 BIRD ISLAND-OLIVIA-LAKE LILLIAN  
JUNE 23, 2014 – 7:00 P.M.  
LAKE LILLIAN CITY CENTER

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Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Board of Education Meeting of I.S.D. #2534, Renville County, Minnesota, was held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June, at 7:00 p.m. in the Lake Lillian City Center.

Members present: Jeff Benson, John Desotell, Russ Lesniak, Brian Stenholm, Jill Hanson and Alan Haney

Members Absent: None

Administration present: John Dotson, Superintendent; Brian Gauer, HS Principal; Melissa Sagedahl, Activities Director; Nancy Howley, Business Manager

Others present: Several teachers, students and community members were present.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Benson.

Agenda: Hanson moved and Stenholm seconded a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Consent Items: Lesniak moved and Haney seconded a motion to approve the following consent agenda items as presented:

Approved Bills for Payment

Approved Minutes  
May 19, 2014 Regular Meeting

Motion carried unanimously.

Personnel:

Desotell moved and Stenholm seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Annie Adelman, HS Science Teacher, effective at the end of the 2013-2014 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Hanson moved and Desotell seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Daniel Timm as the JH Football Coach, JH Boys Basketball Coach and the JH Track Coach, effective at the end of the 2013-2014 seasons. Motion carried unanimously.

Lesniak moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Andrew Baumgartner, HS Social Studies Teacher, JH Football Coach, Knowledge Bowl Advisor, Nation Honor Society Advisor, and JH Baseball Coach, effective at the end of the 2013-2014 school year. Motion carried unanimously. Desotell thanked Andrew for his years of service.

Desotell moved and Stenholm seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Danica Ashton, Assistant Dance Coach, effective at the end of the 2013-2014 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Hanson moved and Desotell seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Katie West, Assistant Softball Coach, effective June 17, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

Lesniak moved and Stenholm seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Christena Svoboda Ojeda, Spanish Teacher, effective June 19, 2014. Motion carried unanimously. Desotell thanked Christena for her years of service.

Stenholm moved and Desotell seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Robin Amberg, Business Manager Assistant, effective June 26, 2014. Motion carried 5-1 with Lesniak voting no. Desotell thanked Robin for her years of service.

Hanson moved and Desotell seconded a motion to approve Lindsey Long as an ECFE/3 Yr. Old Teacher (.5 FTE) beginning with the 2014-2015 school year. Pay rate is \$21.59/hr. Motion carried unanimously.

Lesniak moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve Lindsey Long as an Elementary Integration Specialist (.5 FTE) beginning with the 2014-2015 school year. Pay rate is BA/0 of the 2011-2013 EA Master Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Desotell moved and Stenholm seconded a motion to approve Lexi Frank as a Summer Recreation Staff member, effective June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

Hanson moved and Desotell seconded a motion to approve Morgan Mack as a Summer Program Lifeguard, effective June 23, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

Stenholm moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to approve Chris McRell as a Summer Program Lifeguard, effective June 17, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

Hanson moved and Desotell seconded a motion to approve Paige Plass as a Summer Program Lifeguard, effective June 17, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

Lesniak moved and Haney seconded a motion to approve Kelli Kostohryz as a Summer Recreation Staff Substitute, effective June 17, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

Haney moved and Stenholm seconded a motion to approve Paige Plumley as a Summer Recreation Staff Substitute, effective June 17, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

Hanson moved and Stenholm seconded a motion to approve Brenda Cuellar as a Summer Cook at the Olivia Campus, effective June 9, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

Desotell moved and Stenholm seconded a motion to approve Brooke Minnick as a Summer Cook at the Olivia Campus, effective June 9, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

Hanson moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to approve Daren Sagedahl as the Summer School Instructor for Grades 7-12, for the 2014 summer. Motion carried unanimously. Haney thanked Daren for taking time out of his summer.

Haney moved and Stenholm seconded a motion to approve the following teachers for the Summer Jump Start Targeted Services Program:

- a. Brenda Prokosch (Coordinator/Substitute)
- b. Nichole Baumgartner – Incoming Grade 1
- c. Genie Kalahar – Incoming Grade 2
- d. Sarah Iverson – Incoming Grade 3
- e. OPEN – Incoming Grade 4
- f. Tami Steffel – Incoming Grade 5
- g. Lynn Plass – Incoming Grade 6

The program will run from July 28 – August 15, 2014 from 9:00 – 11:00 am, Monday through Friday at the K-6 Campus. This includes 1 hour Reading and 1 hour Math plus 1 hour for prep. The coordinator rate of pay will be \$26.75/hour. The hourly rate of pay for the teachers will be \$22/hr for 3 hrs/day for 16 days. An additional 3 hours for set up/take down and staff meeting before the program begins. Total hours per teacher will be 48. Para professionals, if necessary, will be hired at a rate of \$10/hr for 2 hrs/day for 15 days. Students entering grades 1-6 in the fall who qualified for the Title 1 Programming during the 13-14 school year were asked to register by the end of the school year. There will be approximately 62 students attending this program this year.

Motion carried unanimously.

Hanson moved and Desotell seconded a motion to approve Sarah Lee as the Secondary Social Studies Teacher beginning with the 2014-2015 school year. Pay rate will be BA0/Step 1 of the 11-13 EA Master Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

## Reports

Superintendent Report – Mr. Dotson took a group of Para Professionals to Eide Bailey, along with Nancy Howley and Jeff Benson, to learn more about the Affordable Care Act. They learned that the Para Professionals will not come close to the number of hours needed to have to offer insurance. Mr. Dotson also gave an update on the number of breakfasts served at the elementary school this year, along with numbers of the Summer Food Program. Both programs have been very successful. He also reported that the Boiler Project is underway in the Olivia Campus. The committee will be meeting soon to discuss the roof. Mr. Dotson is also working with the custodians on proper floor stripping techniques. Finally, Mr. Dotson reported that he has received a grievance from the EA on the request to take the signs down from the classrooms and hallways.

Elementary Principal Report – No Report

HS Principal Report – Included in packet.

Activities Report – Included in packet.

School Board's Report – No Report

## New Business:

Resignation of Neal Prokosch, Board of Education: Stenholm moved and Desotell seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Neal Prokosch, Board of Education, effective June 16, 2014. Motion carried 4-2 with Lesniak and Stenholm voting no. Stenholm and Hanson thanked Neal for his service. Desotell encourages everyone to read his resignation letter.

Applications for new school board member: Lesniak moved and Hanson seconded a motion to accept applications for new school board members until July 21, 2014 at 5:00 pm. Interviews will be held at the Lake Lillian City Center on July 28<sup>th</sup> prior to the regular school board meeting. Motion carried 4-2 with Desotell and Stenholm voting no.

Appointing New Board of Education Member: Lesniak moved and Stenholm seconded a motion to table the appointment of a new school board member to the July 28<sup>th</sup> school board meeting. Motion carried 4-2 with Desotell and Stenholm voting no.

Property and Casualty Insurance: Haney moved and Stenholm seconded a motion to approve EMC Insurance (Agent: Johannes Agency, Inc. Olivia) for the Property and Casualty Insurance. Motion carried unanimously.

Workers' Compensation Insurance: Hanson moved and Desotell seconded a motion to approve SFM Insurance Companies (Agent: Johannes Agency, Inc. Olivia) for the Workers' Compensation Insurance. Motion carried unanimously.

2014-2015 Capital Outlay Budget: Lesniak moved and Desotell seconded a motion to approve the 2014-2015 Capital Outlay Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

2014-2015 Budget Adjustments: Desotell moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve the 2014-2015 budget adjustments. Motion carried unanimously.

2013-2014 Revised Budget: Hanson moved and Haney seconded a motion to approve the 2013-2014 revised budget. Motion carried unanimously.

2014-2015 Budget: Desotell moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve the 2014-2015 budget. Motion carried unanimously.

Health and Safety Application Budget: Lesniak moved and Stenholm seconded a motion to approve the Health and Safety Application Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

Health and Safety Policy: Stenholm moved and Haney seconded a motion to approve the Health and Safety Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

Conway, Deuth and Schmiesing, PLLP: Lesniak moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve hiring Conway, Deuth and Schmiesing, PLLP to provide our audit service for the year ending June 30, 2014. Motion carried 5-1 with Stenholm voting no.

2014-2015 Elementary Student Handbook: Desotell moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve the 2014-2015 Elementary Student Handbook. Motion carried unanimously.

2014-2015 High School Student Handbook: Desotell moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to approve the 2014-2015 High School Student Handbook. Motion carried unanimously.

Title I Reduction of \$18,000: Desotell moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve the Title I Reduction of \$18,000. Motion failed 0-6.

Director of Buildings and Grounds Job Description: Hanson moved and Haney seconded a motion to approve the Director of Buildings and Grounds job description. Motion carried 5-1 with Lesniak voting no.

Class Schedule for 2014-2015: Hanson moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to approve the class schedule for the 2014-2015 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

United Way of West Central Minnesota: Lesniak moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve the United Way of West Central Minnesota agreement for the School Readiness Preschool program for the 2014-2015 school year. Thank you to the United Way of West Central Minnesota for allocating \$18,000 towards the BOLD School Readiness Preschool Program for Scholarships. Motion carried unanimously.

Stipend for School Board Members: No motion was made to approve a per diem for the school board for attending conferences.

Salary for Summer Camp Coaches: Stenholm moved and Hanson seconded a motion to table this item to the March meeting of 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

Policy 514 Bullying Prohibition: First reading of Policy 514 Bullying Prohibition Policy.

Resolution on Committed Funds: Hanson moved and Haney seconded a motion to approve a board resolution on Committed Funds. Motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote.

Changes to the 2014-2015 school calendar: Desotell moved and Haney seconded a motion to approve the changes to the 2014-2015 school calendar. Motion carried 5-1 with Lesniak voting no.

2014-2015 Milk Bids: Lesniak moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve the 2014-2015 Milk Bid from Kemps, LLC. Motion carried unanimously.

2014-2015 Bread Bids: Haney moved and Desotell seconded a motion to approve the 2014-2015 Bread Bid from Pan-O-Gold. Motion carried unanimously.

2014-2015 Official School Newspaper: Desotell moved and Stenholm seconded a motion to designate the Renville County Register as the 2014-2015 Official School Newspaper. Motion carried unanimously.

Authorize Business Manager and/or Superintendent to Sign All Activity Account Contracts and Approve Blanket Coverage for the 2014-2015 School Year: Lesniak moved and Stenholm seconded a motion to authorize the Business Manager and/or Superintendent to Sign All Activity Account Contracts and Approve Blanket Coverage for 2014-15 School Year. Motion carried unanimously.

Cooperation with Neighboring Districts: There is no new business to report.

Lunch Prices for 2014-2015: Hanson moved and Stenholm seconded a motion to approve the 2014-2015 school lunch prices as follows:

Elementary Breakfast .....	\$1.40
Elementary Lunch .....	\$2.10
High School Breakfast .....	\$1.40
High School Lunch .....	\$2.30
Milk.....	\$0.50
Adult Breakfast .....	\$1.75
Adult Lunch .....	\$3.45
Extra Entrée.....	\$1.50

Acknowledge and Accept Gifts, Grants, & Bequests

Lesniak moved and Stenholm seconded a motion to accept a donation of \$341.63 from the ALCO Stores for the BOLD School. Motion carried unanimously. Thank you to the ALCO Stores!

Upcoming dates:

July 28, 2014 School Board meeting at the Lake Lillian City Center.  
August 25, 2014 School Board meeting at the District Office in Olivia.

Negotiations Strategies – Closed Session

Stenholm moved and Desotell seconded a motion to move to closed session at 9:44 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting reopened at 10:19 p.m.

Adjourn: Stenholm moved and Haney seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Howley  
Business Manager