

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
I.S.D. #2534 BIRD ISLAND-OLIVIA-LAKE LILLIAN
MAY 23, 2016 – 7:00 P.M.
BIRD ISLAND MEDIA CENTER

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Board of Education Meeting of I.S.D. #2534, Renville County, Minnesota, was held on the 23rd day of May, at 7:00 p.m. in the Bird Island Media Center.

Members Present: Jeff Benson, Brian Boen, Traci Buchtel, John Desotell, Jill Hanson, Russ Lesniak, and Brian Stenholm

Members Absent: None

Administration Present: John Dotson, Superintendent; Brian Gauer, High School Principal, Paul Van Der Hagen, Elementary Principal

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

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

Public Forum: One attendee had questions for Superior Transportation Services. They would be answered later in the meeting. Cory Allford, Palmer Bus Service, stated that Palmer Bus Service is short of bus drivers and has had to call bus drivers in from other areas as well as driving herself. She spoke about Superior Transportation Services' bid and the discrepancies of the 2 contracts. Dave Woelfel also spoke about the character of Palmer Bus Service and their commitment. Heidi Gross spoke concerning her soon to be 3rd grader going into 2 sections versus 3 in 2nd grade. She would like the school board to be creative.

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

Approved Bills for Payment

Approved Minutes
April 25, 2016 Regular Meeting

Motion carried unanimously.

Personnel:

Kay McNeil: Desotell moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve hiring Kay McNeil, as a 0.5 FTE High School Administrative Assistant, beginning May 9, 2016. Pay rate \$12/hr. Motion carried unanimously.

Trista Park: Stenholm moved and Desotell seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Trista Park, ECFE Para Professional, effective May 13, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Laura Gonzalez: Stenholm moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Laura Gonzalez, Bilingual Para Professional, effective May 13, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Kelli (Allen) Quast: Boen moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Kelli (Allen) Quast, Assistant Diva Dance Team coach, effective May 2, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Jon Hamre: Desotell moved and Benson seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Jon Hamre, Head Varsity Boys Basketball Coach, effective April 27, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Kaitlin Opdahl: Buchtel moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to approve an FMLA for Kaitlin Opdahl, from approximately October 10, 2016 for twelve weeks. Motion carried unanimously.

Kory Eiler: Desotell moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to approve an FMLA for Kory Eiler, from approximately October 10, 2016 to approximately March 6, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

Head Varsity Boys Basketball Coach: Buchtel moved and Boen seconded a motion to approve Jake Brustuen as the Head Varsity Boys Basketball Coach. Motion carried unanimously.

Bryon Meyer: Desotell moved and Stenholm seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Bryon Meyer as a secondary science teacher, effective at the end of the 2015-2016 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Fall Coaches for 2016-2017: Boen moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to approve the Fall Coaches for the 2016-2017 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

| POSITION | NAME | FTE | LEVEL | STEP |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----|-------|------|
| Head Football Coach | Stephen Solem | 1 | A-CI | 4 |
| Assistant Football Coach | Daren Sagedahl | 1 | C | 4 |
| Assistant Football Coach | Matt Sullivan | 1 | C | 3 |
| C-Squad Football Coach | Dan Gross | 1 | D | 0 |
| JH Football Coach | Matt Zupke | 1 | E | 0 |
| JH Football Coach | Doug Wold | 1 | E | 0 |
| Assistant JH Football Coach | OPEN | 1 | F | 0 |
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| Head Volleyball Coach | Brittany Keltgen | 1 | A | 0 |
| Assistant Volleyball Coach | Paula Dunn | 1 | C | 1 |
| C Squad Volleyball Coach | Tami Steffel | 1 | D | 4 |
| JH Volleyball Coach | Brittany Louwagie | 0.5 | E | 0 |
| JH Volleyball Coach | Tom Kodet | 0.5 | E | 0 |
| JH Volleyball Coach | Malissa Everson | 1 | E | 0 |
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| Head Cross Country Coach | Kelly Mathies-Carlson | 1 | B | 0 |

Reports

Superintendent Report – Mr. Dotson commented the school year is wrapping up. He met with Engan Associates for project plans. He also commented that he needs to meet with the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

Elementary Principal Report – Mr. van der Hagen mentioned the 6th grade trip to Duluth and surrounding area. He also gave a special thanks to Melissa Honzay and Meghan Rettke. The picnic was a success.

HS Principal Report – Mr. Gauer didn't have anything additional to the report. Desotell asked about the 3D printer that was purchased with 21st Century money. Mr. Gauer said it is ready to be used and they have 2 of them for just \$1000 more than the price of one. Along with the printer, the 21st Century Program is getting free curriculum.

Activities Report – No Report

School Board Discussion – Hanson asked in a January 5th email to Mr. Dotson about establishing goals for Mr. Dotson and it was decided that it would happen after strategic planning was finished. Hanson asked if the board should have a workshop to discuss those goals and it was decided that the board should do that soon.

New Business:

FY 2016-2017 Budget: Stenholm moved and Benson seconded a motion to approve the FY2016-2017 Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

Business Manager Services: Lesniak moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve Business Manager Services through Clifton Larson Allen, LLP. Motion carried 6-1 with Lesniak voting no.

Technology Plan: Stenholm moved and Benson seconded a motion to approve the 3 Yr. Technology Plan with the change on Section 1. Under Technology Needs Assessment, bullet 3 change “iPads” to “devices”. Motion carried unanimously.

Newspaper Quotes for 2016-2017 School Year: Hanson moved and Benson seconded a motion to authorize the district office to seek newspaper quotes for 2016-2017 School Year. Motion carried unanimously.

Bread and Dairy Bids for 2016-2017 School Year: Benson moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to seek bread & dairy bids for 2016-2017 School Year. Motion carried unanimously.

Transportation Quotes: Desotell moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to approve Superior Transportation Services as the transportation vendor for the 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 school year. Palmer did not include the additional fuel charge in their bid. They believed the specifications were not to include the gas rate. Lesniak called the question. The vote was unanimous on calling the question. Original motion carried 5-2 with Lesniak and Desotell voting no.

Homeless Policy and Procedures: First Reading of the Homeless Policy and Procedures.

Acknowledge and Accept Gifts, Grants, & Bequests:

Hanson moved and Stenholm seconded a motion to adopt a resolution to acknowledge and accept the following gifts, grants, & bequests:

Accepted a grant of \$10,000.00 from United Way Stand Up For Your Community, toward the BOLD Preschool Program.

Accepted a donation of \$300.00 from Target Take Charge of Education, toward the BOLD PBIS Program.

Motion carried unanimously.

Upcoming Dates:

May 27, 2016 – Last day of school for students

May 29, 2016 – Graduation @ 2:00pm

June 27, 2016 – School Board Meeting – Lake Lillian City Center

Closed Session: Negotiations Strategies

Stenholm moved and Benson seconded a motion to enter into a closed session at 8:17 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Stenholm moved and Boen seconded a motion to reopen the meeting at 8:59 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment: Stenholm moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brian Stenholm
Board Clerk