

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES  
I.S.D. #2534 BIRD ISLAND-OLIVIA-LAKE LILLIAN  
SEPTEMBER 25, 2017 – 7:00 P.M.  
OLIVIA CAFETERIA

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Board of Education Meeting of I.S.D. #2534, Renville County, Minnesota, was held on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of September, at 7:00 p.m. in the Olivia Cafeteria.

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

Members Absent: None

Administration Present: John Dotson, Superintendent; Ann Dettmann, Elementary Principal; Jim Menton, High School Principal; and Derek Flann, Activities Director/Community Education Coordinator

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

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

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

Approved Bills for Payment

Approved Minutes  
August 28, 2017 Regular Meeting

Motion carried unanimously.

Personnel:

Ashley Maher: Desotell moved and Sagedahl seconded a motion to approve a full year overload for Ashley Maher for the 2017-2018 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Ryan Tanttila: Boen moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve an overload for Ryan Tanttila for Semester 2 of the 2017-2018 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Heidi Gross: Buchtel moved and Desotell seconded a motion to approve an overload for Heidi Gross for Semester 1 of the 2017-2018 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Sarah Mertens: Hanson moved and Desotell seconded a motion to approve an overload for Sarah Mertens for Semester 2 of the 2017-2018 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Sue Minnick: Sagedahl moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to approve Sue Minnick as a Targeted Services Paraprofessional for the 2017-2018 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Raquel Amberg: Benson moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve Raquel Amberg as the Junior High Dance Team Coach, beginning with the 2017-2018 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Derek Flann: Sagedahl moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve a contract for Derek Flann, Activities Director/Community Education Coordinator. Motion carried 4-3 with Desotell, Benson and Lesniak voting no.

Ryan Ziller: Sagedahl moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve Ryan Ziller as the Musical Set Builder for the 2017-2018 school year. Level E/Step 0 of the 2015-2017 EA Master Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Katie Bahl: Desotell moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve an overload for Katie Bahl for Semester 2 of the 2017-2018 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

### Reports:

Superintendent Report – Mr. Dotson told the board that the enrollment is about the same as last year. He also mentioned that the school is supportive of the wrestling program. Mr. Dotson gave an example of replacing the wall mats in the wrestling room to be approved by the fire marshall which was a cost of approximately \$21,000 instead of \$6,000.

Elementary Principal Report – No further information.

HS Principal Report – Mr. Menton reported that the MCA test scores show great improvement.

Activities Report – Mr. Flann reported the scoreboard advertising is at \$8,000 so far for this year and \$13,000 so far for the next two years. The advertising is from local businesses so far but he could reach out to other areas.

School Board Discussion – No discussion.

Pool Board Report - The Pool Board is working on projects along with Denny Spielmann, BOLD Director of Buildings and Grounds.

### New Business:

Designation of Identified Official with Authority for the MDE External User Access Recertification System Policy: Buchtel moved and Boen seconded a motion to approve the Designation of Identified Official with Authority for the MDE External User Access Recertification System Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

Transportation Reimbursement For the Following Family of District Students Attending Non-Public School Outside ISD #2534 for the 2017-2018 School Year: Desotell moved and Benson seconded a motion to approve a Transportation Reimbursement For The Following Family of District Students Attending Non-Public School Outside ISD #2534 for the 2017-2018 School Year: Nathan Scharlemann. Motion carried unanimously.

Adopt/Certify Proposed 17 Payable 18 Levy: Lesniak moved and Sagedahl seconded a motion to Adopt/Certify Proposed 17 Payable 18 Levy. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion from Olivia City Council Regarding Pool Issues: Discussion included the Joint Powers Agreement and the Employment Agreement. The Olivia City Council would like to ask the school board to make the City of Olivia the fiscal agent to simplify the process. The Olivia City Council would also like a stand alone budget.

Gift from Mary Ellen Rauenhorst: Benson moved and Desotell seconded a motion to amend the July decision to accept a gift from Mary Ellen Rauenhorst and accept the terms of agreement. Motion carried 6-1 with Sagedahl voting no.

Contract Extension For Superintendent: Benson moved and Desotell seconded a motion to approve a Contract Extension for the Superintendent for 2 years with the possibility of a 3rd year. Motion failed 2-5 with Desotell and Benson voting yes, Boen, Buchtel, Hanson, Lesniak and Sagedahl voting no. Lesniak moved and Benson seconded a motion to put this item on the October agenda. Motion carried 6-1 with Sagedahl voting no.

Upcoming Dates:

October 23, 2017 School Board Meeting at the District Office in Olivia.

Acknowledge and Accept Gifts, Grants, & Bequests: Benson moved and Hanson seconded a motion to acknowledge and accept the following gifts:

Accepted a donation from The Beverly J. Lentz Fund of InFaith Community Foundation for \$2,898.87 for the BOLD Elementary Music Education.

Accepted a donation from The RAPAD Coalition for \$500 to the National Honor Society Prevention Program.

Accepted a donation from The RAPAD Coalition for \$500 to the YOU Matter Program.

Benson moved and Desotell seconded a motion to rescind the motion from the July meeting for the Mary Ellen Rauenhorst Donation. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion carried unanimously.

Negotiations Strategies: Hanson moved and Desotell seconded a motion to move to closed session at 8:27 p.m.. Motion carried unanimously. Boen moved and Hanson seconded a motion to reopen the meeting at 8:54 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn: Buchtel moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 p.m.. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Traci Buchtel

9-25-2017

Board Clerk