

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
I.S.D. #2534 BIRD ISLAND-OLIVIA-LAKE LILLIAN
SEPTEMBER 28, 2015 – 7:00 P.M.
DISTRICT OFFICE, OLIVIA

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Board of Education Meeting of I.S.D. #2534, Renville County, Minnesota, was held on the 28th day of September, at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office, Olivia.

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

Members Absent: Brian Stenholm

Administration Present: John Dotson, Superintendent; Brian Gauer, HS Principal; Nancy Howley, Business Manager

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

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

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

Approved Bills for Payment

Approved Minutes
August 24, 2015 Regular Meeting

Motion carried unanimously.

Personnel:

Breckett Rogers: Desotell moved and Hanson seconded a motion to rescind the contract for Breckett Rogers, Special Education Para Professional. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheila Jacobs: Lesniak moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve Sheila Jacobs, Musical Set Design, effective 9-28-15. Pay Level E/Step 4 of the 2013-2015 EA Master Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Sabrina Fiting: Hanson moved and Desotell seconded a motion to approve an FMLA for Sabrina Fiting for approximately November 4 – January 4, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Kory Eiler: Lesniak moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve Kory Eiler as the ECFE Child Educator beginning with the 2015-2016 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Nicholas Strandberg: Desotell moved and Benson seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Nicholas Strandberg as the Junior High Girls Basketball Coach, effective August 25, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

Naomi Prodoehl: Benson moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Naomi Prodoehl as the Assistant Track Coach, effective September 8, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

Naomi Prodoehl: Lesniak moved Hanson seconded a motion to approve an FMLA for Naomi Prodoehl, beginning approximately January 4, 2016 for 12 weeks. Motion carried unanimously.

Kozanna Haney: Desotell moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to approve the dismissal of Kozanna Haney, Food Service Employee, effective September 18, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

Carla Denardo: Benson moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to approve Carla Denardo as a Special Education Para Professional in the Elementary Campus beginning September 29, 2015. Pay Grade 2/Step 1 of the 2013-2015 MSEA Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Emily Tonsfeldt: Benson moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to approve Emily Tonsfeldt as a Special Education Para Professional in the High School Campus beginning October 14, 2015. Pay Grade 2/Step 1 of the 2013-2015 MSEA Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports

Superintendent Report – Mr. Dotson reported that enrollment has increased and BOLD is having a good start to the new school year. The report of open enrollment is trending up, more students coming in than going out of the district.

Elementary Principal Report – Hanson noted that the elementary has been named a 2015 Reward School.

HS Principal Report – BOLD has applied for the 1st Robotics grant and also a Rookie Grant for the Robotics program. National Honor Society (NHS) would like to do a community service project and a food drive on Halloween. Desotell suggested they have NHS stickers or something similar to let the public know that it is an NHS project. The discussion continues with the new science curriculum. Mr. Gauer spoke about a program coming soon at ACGC School about Technology.

Activities Report – No additional information.

School Board Discussion – Benson thanked the Olivia Kiwanis and the Olivia Lions for sponsoring the Family Movie and Swim Night on Saturday, September 26. It was well attended and everyone had a great time. Mr. Dotson talked about the joint agreement between the City of Olivia and BOLD School. The city would like to get more use out of the swimming pool, possibly hiring a pool manager.

New Business:

1st Robotics Competition: Lesniak moved and Desotell seconded a motion to approve participation in the 1st Robotics competition, stipend and posting of position. Motion carried unanimously.

Strategic Planning/Goal Setting Process and Procedures with MSBA: Benson moved and Hanson seconded a motion to approve the Strategic Planning/Goal Setting Process and Procedures with MSBA. Motion carried unanimously.

2016 Senior Music Trip: Lesniak moved and Boen seconded a motion to approve the 2016 Senior Music Trip to San Diego, CA, May 5-8, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Second Reading of Policy 534 Meal Charge Management.

Transportation Reimbursement: Benson moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve a Transportation Reimbursement for the following families of district students attending non-public school outside ISD #2534 for the 2015-2016 school year: Nathan Scharlemann. Motion carried unanimously.

CMCS Transportation Contract for 2015-2016: Benson moved and Boen seconded a motion to approve the CMCS transportation contract for the 2015-2016 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Dots Fundraiser: Benson moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve a Dots fundraiser to raise money for drumline equipment. Motion carried unanimously.

Adopt/Certify Proposed 15 Payable 16 Levy: Lesniak moved and Hanson seconded a motion to adopt and certify the proposed 15 payable 16 levy. Motion carried unanimously.

Boiler Maintenance Contract: Boen moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to approve a boiler maintenance contract for both campuses for fall start up only. Motion carried unanimously.

Professional Development Day: Lesniak moved and Buchtel seconded a motion to approve October 14th as a professional development day for Resource Training on Marzano. Motion carried 4-2 with Benson and Desotell voting no.

World's Best Work Force Presentation: Hanson moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to set October 26, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. in the HS Cafeteria for the World's Best Work Force presentation to community members. Motion carried unanimously.

Cooperation with Neighboring Districts: Sharing the BLHS Music teacher is going well. There are 5-6 BLHS students that are participating in the BOLD School musical this fall.

Adjustments to the 15-16 School Calendar: Lesniak moved and Hanson seconded a motion to change the Teacher In-Service Day from December 21, 2015 to June 2, 2016, move the end of the 1st semester to January 22, 2016 and change graduation to Friday, May 27, 2016. Motion carried 5-1 with Desotell voting no.

Acknowledge and Accept Gifts, Grants, & Bequests:

Lesniak moved and Benson seconded a motion to acknowledge and accept the following gifts, grants, & bequests:

Accepted a donation from the BOLD Class of 2018 of \$780 to start a Yellow Ribbon Campaign for Suicide Awareness.

Motion carried unanimously.

Upcoming dates:

October 26, 2015 Worlds Best Work Force Presentation at the HS Cafeteria in Olivia @ 6:00 p.m.
October 26, 2015 School Board Meeting at the HS Cafeteria in Olivia @ 7:00p.m.

Negotiations Strategies – Closed session:

Desotell moved and Lesniak seconded a motion to move to a closed session at 8:15 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Lesniak moved and Desotell seconded a motion to reopen the meeting at 9:10 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment: Buchtel moved and Desotell seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Howley
Business Manager