

**REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
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PROBSTFIELD CENTER FOR EDUCATION
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MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Altenburg, Lisa Erickson, Cindy Fagerlie, Scott Steffes, Bill Tomhave, Matt Valan and Dr. Lynne A. Kovash.

MEMBER ABSENT: Laurie Johnson.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Fagerlie called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led everyone in attendance with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPOINTMENT OF CLERK: Chair Fagerlie appointed Matt Valan to serve as clerk for the meeting.

PREVIEW OF AGENDA: Superintendent Kovash recommended approval of the agenda to proceed with revisions to pages 130 and 131.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Tomhave moved, seconded by Steffes, to approve the agenda with revisions. Motion carried 6-0.

WE ARE PROUDS:

We Are Proud of Dane Sethre-Hofstad, a member of the Moorhead High School boys golf team, for winning the 2015 Class 3A boys golf state meet and becoming Moorhead's second golf champion. Sethre-Hofstad shot a 69 at Bunker Hills in Coon Rapids, Minn., on June 10, which gave him a two-day score of 143 to win. Head coach for the boys golf team is Eric Tollefson and assistant coach is Jon Ammerman.

We Are Proud of Moorhead High School SkillsUSA Club member Andrew Hermann for placing second in power equipment at the National SkillsUSA competition on June 25 in Louisville, Ky. The high school level in power equipment repair included 37 competitors who earned their way to nationals by winning their state competitions. The eight-hour competition included a written knowledge test and hands-on stations covering engine tuning, adjusting, electrical troubleshooting, maintenance, fuel injection, and others. Jeff Schneider, Moorhead High School industrial technology teacher, is the advisor.

MATTERS PRESENTED BY CITIZENS/OTHER COMMUNICATIONS: (Citizens who wish to address a non-agenda item have the opportunity to speak by raising their hand and being recognized by the School Board chair. Speakers must state their name and will be limited to three minutes. Speakers must complete the sign-up form, which outlines the public input process, and submit it to the School Board secretary.) None.

ORGANIZATION OF THE SCHOOL BOARD:

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Meeting Date, Time and Location - Valan moved, seconded by Steffes, to set the regular meetings of the School Board for 7:00 p.m. in the Probstfield Center for Education Board Room 224 on the second and fourth Monday of each month with the following exceptions: Monday, December 14 (one meeting in December) and the annual organizational meeting Monday, July 11 (one meeting in July). Motion carried 6-0.

School Board Compensation - Tomhave moved, seconded by Steffes, to set the School Board member compensation at the current rate of \$800 per month. Motion carried 6-0.

Committee Assignments - Altenburg moved, seconded by Erickson, to approve the committee appointments for the 2015-2016 school year as determined:

DISTRICT-WIDE STANDING COMMITTEES:

Erickson and Valan - Activities Advisory Council
Erickson and Altenburg - Community Education Advisory Council
Erickson and Steffes - Executive Finance Committee
Fagerlie and Johnson - Health Insurance Committee
Valan and Altenburg - Instruction and Curriculum Advisory Committee (ICAC)
Tomhave and Johnson - Policy Review Committee
Erickson and Valan - Staff Development Committee

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES:

Not Required - Calendar Committee
Fagerlie and Steffes - Citizen Finance Advisory Committee
Fagerlie and Erickson - Continuing Education Committee
Fagerlie and Steffes - District Technology Committee
Johnson - Early Childhood Family Education Advisory Committee
Erickson and Steffes - Health/Safety/Wellness Committee
Fagerlie - Indian Education Parent Committee
Valan and Tomhave - Legislative Committee
Valan - Minnesota State High School League
Fagerlie and Johnson (Steffes Alternate) - Negotiations Committee
Erickson - Sabbatical Leave Committee
Valan and Altenburg - Safe and Healthy Learners Committee
Valan - Special Education Parent Advisory Committee
Members Rotate - Superintendent's Advisory Council (SAC)
Johnson - Teacher Evaluation Committee
Steffes - Title I District Parent Advisory Committee

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COMMUNITY COMMITTEES:

Fagerlie (Tomhave Alternate) - Clay County Joint Powers Collaborative Governance Board
Tomhave and Steffes - Joint Powers Committee

ADOPT-A-SCHOOL:

Fagerlie - Probstfield Elementary
Altenburg - Ellen Hopkins Elementary
Valan - Robert Asp Elementary
Johnson - S.G. Reinertsen Elementary
Erickson - Horizon Middle
Steffes - Moorhead High
Tomhave - Red River Area Learning Center

Motion carried 6-0.

CONSENT AGENDA: Tomhave moved, seconded by Steffes, to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

Minutes - Approve the June 22, 2015 meeting minutes as presented.

School Resource Officer - Approve the School Resource Officer Agreement for the 2015-16 school year in the amount of \$64,848.00.

Designate Identified Official with Authority - Approve designating Dr. Lynne A. Kovash, Superintendent, as the Minnesota Department of Education Identified Official with Authority for the Moorhead Area Public Schools.

Designate Official Newspaper - Approve designating *The Extra* as the school district's official newspaper for the 2015-16 school year.

Legal Services - Approve obtaining legal services on a time and material basis.

Claims - Approve the July Claims, subject to audit, in the amount of \$1,639,704.00.

General Fund:	\$1,571,777.75
Food Service Fund:	\$53,421.67
Community Service Fund:	\$14,054.58
Post Employment Benefits Debt Service:	\$450.00
TOTAL	\$1,639,704.00

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The June Wire Payments, subject to audit, in the amount of \$1,722,627.70.

General Fund:	\$1,722,627.70
Post Employment Irrevocable Trust Fund:	\$000.00
TOTAL	\$1,722,627.70

2015-16 Memberships - Approve the following 2015-2016 memberships: The Chamber Fargo Moorhead West Fargo, Lakes Country Services Cooperative, Minnesota Rural Education Association, Minnesota School Boards Association, and Minnesota State High School League.

Authorize Staff to Initiate Financial Transactions for 2015-2016 - Move to authorize the listed district personnel to make transactions on the listed accounts for the 2015-2016 school year.

Official Depositories for 2015-2016 - Approve designating the 2015-2016 School District official depositories as presented.

Resolution Authorizing Payment of Goods and Services for the 2015-2016 School Year - Approve the resolution to authorize the Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations to make goods and services in advance of School Board approval for the 2015-2016 school year consistent with Minnesota Statutes 123B.11, 123B.02 and 471.38.

Resolution for Collection of NSF Checks and Leases for 2015-2016 - Approve the resolution for collection of NSF checks and leases, giving authority and responsibility to the Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations, for the 2015-2016 school year.

Resolution for Investment of Excess Funds for 2015-2016 - Approve the resolution for investment of excess funds giving authority and responsibility to the Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations or designee in accordance with Minnesota Statute 118A.04 for the 2015-2016 school year.

School Leaders Errors & Omissions Insurance Deductible - Approve Moorhead Area Public School District to pay the deductible for any employee or School Board member who is protected by the School District's current Leaders Errors & Omissions Insurance.

2015-16 Dairy Bid - Accept the dairy bid received from Dean Foods/Land O'Lakes.

Resignations

Elizabeth Shumacher - Teacher, Robert Asp Elementary, effective at the end of the 2014-2015 school year.

Katie Bondy - Math Teacher, Moorhead High School, effective at the end of the 2014-2015 school year.

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Jennifer Johnson - LSS Teacher, Robert Asp Elementary, effective at the end of the 2014-2015 school year.

Laura Wieck - LSS Teacher, Ellen Hopkins Elementary, effective at the end of the 2014-2015 school year.

Tyler Guertin - Boys Soccer Coach, Moorhead High School, effective at the end of the 2014-2015 season.

Michele Mogen - Program Manager, District-wide, effective July 31, 2015.

Retirement

Lynn Day - Technology Projects Coordinator, effective July 20, 2015.

New Employees

Terra Smith - Early Riser Family Advocate, C41 (10) \$30.52 per hour, 7.25 hours per day, effective with the 2015-2016 school year (replaces Tanya Stuhau).

Robbie Norman - Bus Driver, Transportation, \$14.26 per hour 5 hours per day, effective June 22, 2015 (replaces Stoney Grant).

Erin Richard - Health Technician, Ellen Hopkins Elementary, B21 (6) \$17.50 per hour, 7.25 hours per day, effective August 17, 2015 (replaces Vicky Pettow).

Garrett Gransee - Math Teacher, Moorhead High School, 1.0 FTE, BA (6) \$42,824.00, effective with the 2015-2016 school year (replaces Katie Bondy).

Jacob Purrier - Teacher, West Central Regional Juvenile Center, 1.0 FTE, BA (1) \$37,070.00, effective with the 2015-2016 school year (new position).

Jennifer Bodensteiner - Teacher, Robert Asp Elementary, 1.0 FTE, BA (0) \$35,913.00 effective with the 2015-2016 school year (replaces Gavin Ganab).

Kimetha Brosdahl - English Teacher, Moorhead High School, 1.0 FTE, MA(1) \$42,7487.00, effective with the 2015-2016 school year (replaces Amy Mumm).

Brooke Krause - LSS Teacher, Ellen Hopkins Elementary, 1.0 FTE, MA (4) \$47,006.00, effective with the 2015-2016 school year (replaces Carrie Mickelson).

Jennifer Dahl - LSS Teacher, Robert Asp Elementary, 1.0 FTE, MA+10 (7) \$53,631.00, effective with the 2015-2016 school year (replaces Jodie Reed).

Katherine Hoylo - Administrative Assistant, Ellen Hopkins Elementary, \$16.39 per hour, effective August 3, 2015 (replaces Heather Keeler-Johnson).

Jill Schuer - Paraprofessional, Adult Basic Education, 27.5 hours per week, \$16.39 per hour, effective July 9 (replaces Shawna Kraft).

Maria Alfaro - Bus Driver, Transportation, 5 hours per day, \$14.72, effective June 18, 2015 (replaces Glen From).

Continuing Contracts - Approve the Continuing Contracts of Adrienne Lecuyer, Amy Jensen, Angela Hase, Blake Plankers, Brooke Sandoval, Chelsey Gauer, Christina Stoa, Christina Tareski, Corian Carter, Emily Olson, Erika Yoney, Jennifer Hammer, Joni Hubrig, Joshua

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Carlson, Julie Johnson, Katherine Hanson, Katie Boer, Kristen Feickert, Leigh Dornfield, Lexy Steinle, Matthew Western, Megan Hilleren, Melissa Campbell, Nathan Brager, Nicole Langer, Paul Wanzek, Sara Brady and Wylie Wisnewski as presented.

Part-Time Pay and Substitute Pay Schedule - Approve the Part-time and Substitute Pay Schedule as presented.

Motion carried 6-0.

APPROVAL OF REVIEW AND COMMENT DOCUMENT: Discussion was held related to the amount recommended in the Review and Comment document. Lunak noted the amount could be revised at the August 10 board meeting should the board decide to move forward with a bond referendum for the \$80,280,000 to include the building purchase.

Erickson moved, seconded by Tomhave, to approve the Review and Comment document as presented. Discussion was held to include the \$78,280,000 amount in the resolution. Erickson and Tomhave withdrew the motion and second.

Erickson moved, seconded by Tomhave, to approve the Review and Comment document for \$78,280,000 as presented. A roll call vote was taken; motion carried 6-0.

MIDDLE SCHOOL TASK FORCE UPDATE: Dr. Jeremy Larson, Horizon Middle School principal; Chris Triggs, Robert Asp Elementary School principal; Jacob Scandrett, Horizon Middle School assistant principal; and Diana Johnson, Ellen Hopkins Elementary School assistant principal, summarized five task force meetings and committee recommendations.

During the five task force meetings, the committee developed a vision statement and seven guiding principles based on research from the Minnesota Department of Education and the Association of Middle Level Education.

The task force will reconvene during the 2015-16 school year to determine how each guiding principle will be met by each grade level. In addition, the committee will review the vision statement and guiding principles and make final recommendations to the School Board in October 2015. The recommendations will allow Moorhead Area Public Schools to examine the financial implications and the instructional structure to maximize student success.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING COMBINED POLLING PLACES FOR MULTIPLE PRECINCTS AND DESIGNATING HOURS DURING WHICH THE POLLING PLACES WILL REMAIN OPEN FOR VOTING FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTIONS NOT HELD ON THE DAY OF A STATEWIDE ELECTION: Altenburg moved, seconded by Steffes, to approve the Resolution Establishing Combined Polling Places for

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Multiple Precincts and Designating Hours During Which the Polling Places will Remain Open for Voting for School District Elections Not Held on the Day of a Statewide Election for the November 3, 2015 school district bond referendum as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

FIRST READING OF POLICY: Dr. Kovash stated at the last legislative session, the law changed to require school districts to establish a lottery by policy if the school district has more applications for open enrollment than available seats.

SCHOOL DISTRICT FACILITIES UPDATE: Lunak provided construction project updates regarding the S.G. Reinertsen addition, Probstfield kitchen and the Moorhead High swimming pool.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT: Dr. Kovash reported the central office team is reading and studying the book *21 Trends for the 21st Century* about 21 global trends that will stretch organizations and push them into the future.

Kovash also noted an article in the *Minnesota School Boards Association Journal* entitled “Board Members Must Be Tech-Savvy Enough to Lead Students into a Changing World.”

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None.

OTHER PERTINENT ITEMS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD: Altenburg thanked the Hopkins PTAC for the new playground equipment and added that the playground and enlarged parking lot looked fantastic.

ADJOURNMENT: Hearing no objections, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Matt Valan, Acting Clerk