

**REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #152
PROBSTFIELD CENTER FOR EDUCATION
NOVEMBER 12, 2013
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MEMBERS PRESENT: Lisa Erickson, Cindy Fagerlie, Laurie Johnson (7:08 p.m.), Scott Steffes, Trudy Wilmer, Bill Tomhave, Matt Valan, and Dr. Lynne A. Kovash.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

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

APPOINTMENT OF CLERK: Chair Erickson appointed Cindy Fagerlie to serve as clerk until Laurie Johnson arrived at the meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

PREVIEW OF AGENDA: Superintendent Kovash recommended approval of the agenda to proceed with a revision to page 1.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Fagerlie moved, seconded by Tomhave, to approve the agenda as revised. Motion carried 6-0.

MATTERS PRESENTED BY CITIZENS/OTHER COMMUNICATIONS: None.

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

Minutes - Approve the October 14, 2013 Special Meeting Minutes and October 14 and 28, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.

Resolution of School Board Supporting Application to the Minnesota State High School League Foundation - Approve the Resolution of School Board Supporting Application to the Minnesota State High School League Foundation to assist, recognize, promote and fund extra-curricular participation.

Claims - Approve the November Claims, subject to audit, in the amount of \$1,464,261.71.

General Fund:	\$1,249,144.41
Food Service Fund:	\$185,063.01
Community Service Fund:	\$30,054.29
TOTAL	\$1,464,261.71

The October Wire Payments, subject to audit, in the amount of \$2,106,686.09.

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General Fund:	\$2,056,923.09
Post Employment Irrevocable Trust Fund:	\$49,763.00
TOTAL	\$2,106,686.09

Lakes Country Perkins Consortium Funding - Accept the instructional materials and supplies valued at \$1,432.50 from Lakes Country Perkins Consortium for the Family and Consumer Science Program at Moorhead High School.

Donation - Accept the donation of \$1,500 and direct administration to send a thank you. Trinity Lutheran Church donated funds to be used at the elementary schools to offset the cost of milk for selected students.

Concordia University Wisconsin Field Experience Contract - Approve the Concordia University Wisconsin agreement for a period of five (5) years from the date of this agreement. Moorhead Schools will serve as a student intern placement center.

Change in Contract

Teresa Somers - Food and Nutrition Server to Assistant Head Server, S.G. Reinertsen Elementary, \$12.15 per hour, 2.75 hours per day, effective September 3, 2013 (replaces Eugene Life).

Family/Medical Leaves

Katie Oster - Teacher, Robert Asp Elementary, effective approximately December 11, 2013 for 90 days.

Rachel Lerum - Guidance Counselor, Moorhead High School, effective November 7, 2013 until December 19, 2013.

Krystal Anderson - LSS Teacher, Moorhead High School, effective November 4, 2013 for six weeks.

Resignations

Ruby Pedersen - Food and Nutrition Server, Robert Asp Elementary, effective September 17, 2013.

Erin Monteith - English Teacher, Moorhead High School, effective December 20, 2013.

Nahir Munoz - ESL Paraprofessional, Moorhead High School, effective December 31, 2013.

New Employees

Richard Kraft - Night Custodian, Robert Asp/Ellen Hopkins Elementary, A12 (0-2) \$15.06 per hour, 8 hours per day, effective November 11, 2013 (replaces Bobby Moore).

Mia Percy - Bus Driver, Transportation, \$13.76 per hour, 4 hours per day, effective November 4, 2013 (replaces Kevin Manzella).

Tina Gjestvang - Registrar, Moorhead High School, B22 (3) \$16.54 per hour, 8 hours per day, effective November 1, 2013 (replaces Peggy Haugstad).

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Pat Jinadasa - Network Administrator, District wide, C41 (10) \$29.94 per hour, 8 hours per day, effective November 25, 2013 (replaces John Stadter).

Cheryl Suter - Media Administrative Assistant, Horizon Middle School, A12 (3) \$15.16 per hour, 8 hours per day, effective November 18, 2013 (replaces Judith Lewis).

Xandra Stowman - Paraprofessional, Moorhead High School, B21 (0-2) \$15.37 per hour, 6.75 hours per day, effective November 12, 2013 (replaces Patricia Noon).

Motion carried 6-0.

ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS: Kazmierczak provided enrollment projections based on November 1, 2013 actual enrollment. These data, along with historical and projected Average Daily Membership (ADM), will be used for planning and staffing determinations in the coming months. The November 1, 2013 enrollment figure of 5,648 is 10 students below the projection of 5,658 made in November 2012. Compared to actual enrollment of 5,556 on November 1, 2012, the current year November 1 figure represents an increase of 92 students over last year.

The secondary grade with the largest enrollment is 9th grade with 453 students; the secondary grade with the smallest enrollment is 12th with 389 students. The elementary grade with the largest enrollment is kindergarten with 494 students; the elementary grade with the smallest enrollment is 5th with 418 students.

Johnson arrived at the meeting at 7:08 p.m. and resumed duties as clerk.

APPROVAL OF FACILITIES RECOMMENDATIONS: Kazmierczak presented information on the following nine (9) facilities recommendations:

1. Proceed with Robert Asp Elementary addition with construction to begin in the spring of 2014 at an estimated cost of \$2.2 million.
2. Proceed with S.G. Reinertsen Elementary addition with construction to begin in the spring of 2015 at an estimated cost of between \$2.2 and \$2.5 million.
3. Proceed with Probstfield Center for Education addition with construction to begin in the spring of 2014 at an estimated cost of \$4.3 million.
4. Convene an ad hoc study group to analyze current facility usage at Moorhead High School to determine the feasibility of using existing space in the high school to house programs that are currently in the Sports Center.
5. Replace the existing Moorhead High School track and install an artificial turf field with construction to begin in the spring of 2014 at an estimated cost of \$1.54 million.
6. Explore alternatives to the district's current leased space arrangements.
7. Explore the feasibility of purchasing an additional parcel of land within the next two years.

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8. Explore the feasibility of building a grade 5-6 building on the existing Horizon Middle School site and convert the district's elementary schools to a grades K-4 configuration.
9. Create a facilities task force to develop a long-range facilities plan with consideration given to recommendations 6-8.

Sue Husel, resident, noted concerns related to air flow at Horizon Middle School.

Tomhave moved, seconded by Fagerlie, to approve the facilities recommendations 1-9. Motion carried 7-0.

APPROVAL OF POLICY: Fagerlie moved, seconded by Johnson, to approve the policy, Name and Legal Status of Moorhead Area Public Schools 101, as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

APPROVAL OF POLICY: Wilmer moved, seconded by Johnson, to approve the policy, Mission Statement 104, as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

APPROVAL OF POLICY: Tomhave moved, seconded by Fagerlie, to approve the policy, Open and Closed School Board Meetings 211, as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

APPROVAL OF POLICY: Wilmer moved, seconded by Johnson to approve the policy, School Board Meeting Minutes 214, as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

APPROVAL OF POLICY: Steffes moved, seconded by Tomhave, to approve the policy, Moorhead Area School District Committees 230, as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

APPROVAL OF POLICY: Valan moved, seconded by Steffes, to approve the policy, School Superintendent 310, as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

APPROVAL OF POLICY: Wilmer moved, seconded by Fagerlie, to approve the policy, Student Surveys 505, as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

APPROVAL OF POLICY: Johnson moved, seconded by Steffes, to approve the policy, Early Admissions 513, as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

APPROVAL OF POLICY: Tomhave moved, seconded by Fagerlie, to approve the policy, Moorhead Area Public Schools Graduation Policy 640, as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

APPROVAL OF POLICY: Valan moved, seconded by Johnson, to approve the policy, Credit for Learning of Minnesota Graduation Standards 653, as presented. Motion carried 7-0.


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SUPERINTENDENT REPORT: Dr. Kovash played the Red River Area Learning Center students' YouTube video that placed first at the Bison BEST Robotics competition. Kovash announced the application to present on School Board learning walks at the MSBA Leadership Conference was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Brief reports were heard related to the Joint Powers Committee, District Technology Committee, Special Education Parent Advisory Committee, MHS PTAC, RRALC Family Night, Safe and Healthy Learners Committee meetings and the orchestra "Cookie" concert.

OTHER PERTINENT ITEMS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Hearing no objections, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:40 p.m.


Laurie Johnson, Clerk