

SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION
OCTOBER 12, 2009

A School Board work session was held from 5:30-6:25 PM with the following Board members in attendance: Henry Endres, Molly Fixsen, Jayne Lieske, Jim Mayer, Pat McCoy, and Sue Rame. Board member John Chamberlain was absent due to illness. Jayne Lieske facilitated the meeting. Four teachers, representing various grade levels and academic areas, participated in discussion with board members on improving student achievement. Discussion will be summarized during the regular board meeting.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 2397
LE SUEUR-HENDERSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

MINUTES OF SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 12, 2009

The special school board meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Board Treasurer Henry Endres with the following board members in attendance: Henry Endres, Molly Fixsen, Jayne Lieske, Jim Mayer, Pat McCoy, and Sue Rame. Board member John Chamberlain was absent due to illness.

Also in attendance: Superintendent Dave Johnson, Principals Kevin Enerson and Bill Bjordahl, Assistant Principal/Activities Director Dave Swanberg, Assistant Principal/Curriculum Coordinator Tom Quiram, Community Ed Director Nate Warden, Members of the Professional Development Institute (PDS) Team Jayne Gehrke, April Rosendale, John Lustig, and Karyl Engel.

- Item 2.0 Motion by Lieske, second by McCoy, carried 6-0 to approve the meeting agenda and addendum.

- Item 3.0 There was no one in attendance to address the School Board during the Open Forum.

- Item 4.1 Motion by Rame, second by Fixsen, carried 6-0 to approve the following Consent Agenda items:
 - 4.1.1 Minutes of September 14, 2009 Regular Meeting
 - 4.1.2 Minutes of September 21, 2009 Special Meeting
 - 4.1.3 Bills and Claims in the amount of \$348,271.01 Subject to Annual Audit with the following exceptions:

| <u>Check #</u> | <u>Payable To</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
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| 57416 | Holiday | 9/9/09 | \$ 911.36 |
| 57447 | Danny Endres | 9/9/09 | \$ 50.00 |
| 57451 | Bethany Fixsen | 9/9/09 | \$ 250.00 |
| 57643 | Holiday | 9/22/09 | \$1,159.82 |
| 57660 | Sherri McCoy | 9/22/09 | \$ 51.13 |

- 4.1.3.1 Motion was made by Mayer, second by Fixsen, carried 5-0-1 (Board member Henry Endres abstained) to approve Check # 57447 payable to Danny Endres.

- 4.1.3.2 Motion was made by McCoy, second by Lieske, carried 5-0-1 (Board member Molly Fixsen abstained) to approve Check # 57451 payable to Bethany Fixsen.

4.1.3.3 Motion was made by Lieske, second by Rame, carried 5-0-1 (Board member Pat McCoy abstained) to approve Check #s 57416 and 57643 payable to Holiday and #57660, payable to Sherri McCoy.

4.1.4 Budget Analysis Year to Date

Item 4.2 Motion by McCoy, second by Rame, carried 6-0 to approve the following Personnel items:

4.2.1 Early Childhood Special Ed (ECSE) Classroom Assistant - Sandra Dell

4.2.2 Title I/Playground Assistant at Park - Adina Gupton

4.2.3 Special Ed 1:1 Management Assistant at Park - Melissa Barry

4.2.4 Special Ed 1:1 Management Assistant at Park - Janet Geisler

4.2.5 Consideration to Employ the Following Extra/Cocurricular Personnel:

4.2.5.1 8th Grade Boys Basketball Coach - Don Marcussen

4.2.5.2 Softball Coach - Alexis Frischmon

4.2.5.3 One Act Play Director - Marie Kreft

4.2.5.4 Assistant Wrestling Coach - Ben Wilson

4.2.5.5 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach - Dave Nixon

4.2.5.6 9th Grade Boys Basketball - Ryan Graff

4.2.5.7 7th Grade Boys Basketball - Brad Schmidt

Item 6.4.2 Superintendent Johnson and Principal Bjorndahl discussed with board members the current kindergarten section sizes. Motion by Mayer, second by McCoy, carried 6-0, to add 2.5 hours per day of paraprofessional support for Mrs. Schultz's kindergarten classroom.

Item 5.1 Motion by Lieske, second by Mayer, carried 6-0 to approve the School Board Action Plans for 2009-10.

Item 6.1.1 A report was presented to the board by the Professional Development School (PDS) Institute Team.

Item 6.1.2 Superintendent Johnson provided a report on the Bush Foundation grant proposal.

Item 6.1.3 A report on SOCRATES E-Learning Collaboration was given to Board members.

Item 6.1.4 Information was presented from the 2001 long range planning process so board members may gain perspective on developing a new process. Superintendent Johnson will garner some thoughts and ideas from the action plan and bring to the November 2, 2009 school board meeting.

Item 6.2.1 Motion by Lieske, second by Fixsen, carried 6-0 to approve the overnight Womens Choir trip October 30-31.

Item 6.2.2 Motion by McCoy, second by Mayer, carried 6-0 to approve the initial request for Concert Choir & Wind Ensemble field trip in March.

Item 6.2.3 Motion by Mayer, second by Lieske, carried 6-0 to approve the 2008-09 Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment Report.

Item 6.2.4 Jayne Lieske summarized the work session which occurred at 5:30 PM, prior to this board meeting. Superintendent Johnson will compile and provide the information to

all who were in attendance. Motion by Lieske, second by Fixsen, carried 6-0 to schedule another work session on improving student achievement to be held at 5:30 PM on November 2, 2009, prior to the next school board meeting.

- Item 6.3.1 Co-owner of Four Point 0 Transportation Services, Mike Hennek, updated board members on the beginning of the school year from a transportation standpoint.
- Board members requested a report every three (3) months pertaining to transportation cost vs. projected numbers/dollars.
- Item 6.3.2 There were no “District 2397 Recognizes” items for this meeting.
- Item 6.3.1.1 Donations and Grants Received September 2009:
Zion United Church of Christ Donation to Title I - \$438.00
Zion United Church of Christ Donation-Supplies to Elementary Students - (Monetary Value Unknown)
- Item 6.3.3 Board members reviewed the present student enrollment.
- Item 6.3.4 Motion by Mayer, second by Lieske, carried 6-0 to approve the agreement with Le Sueur County Public Health for participation in Early Childhood Screening during 2009-2010.
- Item 6.3.5 Motion by McCoy, second by Mayer, carried 6-0 to approve the agreement between ISD 2397 and Minnesota State University Mankato for supervision/mentoring a nursing student.
- Item 6.4.1 Board Member Pat McCoy moved for adoption a resolution for MSHSL Foundation application for grant for student participation in extra/cocurricular activities. Said resolution was seconded by Board Member Jayne Lieske and duly adopted by the following roll call vote:
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| Chamberlain - absent | Mayer - yes |
| Endres - yes | McCoy - yes |
| Fixsen - yes | Rame - yes |
| | Lieske - yes |
- Item 6.4.3 Superintendent Johnson provided board members a negotiations update.
- Item 6.5.1 Superintendent Johnson updated board members on the facilities projects throughout the district.
- Item 7.0 Board member Lieske reported on a board member visit to Hilltop. The visit took place on “Grandparents Day” She spoke with Assistant Principal Tom Quiram about testing and visited two classrooms. Smart boards were being used extensively. It was summarized as a Great Visit!
- Item 9.0 Motion by McCoy, second by Mayer, carried 6-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 P.M.

Pat McCoy, Clerk