

**Regional School Unit 19
Board of Directors' Minutes
June 18, 2019**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Christopher Easton, Corinna Caron, Charles Cossar, Mark Guzzi, Mark Hansen, William MacDonald, Robin McNeil, Don Mendell, Ryan Parker, Ken Sands, Jason Sholten, Chad Stratton, Jennifer Watson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Excused: Celia Demos, Michael Mullis, Leland Youngberg, Newport Vacancy

Unexcused: Paul Carter, Eric Stitham

TOTAL MEMBERS PRESENT: 719

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OTHERS PRESENT: District staff and members of the community

I. Opening of Meeting

A. Flag Salute was rendered.

B. Board Reorganization

1. Election of Chair

Chad Stratton nominated Chris Easton for Board Chair and it was seconded by Ken Sands. A **motion** was made by Ryan Parker for nominations to cease, **seconded** by Corinna Caron and **voted** unanimously.

Chris Easton was declared Board Chair by unanimous vote.

2. Election of Vice-Chair

Ken Sands nominated Chad Stratton for Vice-Chair and it was seconded by Chuck Cossar. A **motion** was made by Ryan Parker for nominations to cease, **seconded** by Corinna Caron and **voted** unanimously.

Chad Stratton was declared Board Chair by unanimous vote.

3. Appointments to Committees (Discussion)

Selection sheets were collected and Committee appointments will be made by the Chair.

C. Adjustments to Agenda

Add to VII. New Business **Under F. Staff Resignations:**

Sandra Nickerson	Ed Tech I	SOM
Karen Lavoie	French / READ 180	EDS
Joel Stevens	Grade 6	SOM

Under G. Staff Nominations

Laurie Brophy	BCBA	District
Nancy Hoskins	School Nurse	District

Under E. Administrative Positions: Move to the top of the session.

Add K. Proposal for Therapy Dog

D. Approval of Board Minutes

A **motion** was made by Robin McNeil to accept the Board Meeting Minutes from May 21 2019, **seconded** by Ryan Parker and **voted** unanimously.

II. Public Comment - None

III. Reading of Communications

- A. Administrative Communications - Hard copy was distributed.
- B. Superintendent/Board Communication - None

IV. Reports

A. Superintendent

Mr. Hammer attended the Senior Assembly. He was also at Newport for the Senior walk through. It was a very positive experience. Checked in to schools to find teachers surrounded by totes. Exciting, but crazy.

Mary is working with Tri-County Tech Center to establish a satellite program, within the district, for Early Childhood. These students would work with their instructor for the first part of their instruction in the Newport area schools and then could return to their home district schools to get further contact hours. It is a very important program for us to get started.

Working with Gretchen Baker to get a larger Alford Grant. These monies would go towards auditorium seats and athletic fields. The District is in search of more larger grants.

A motion was made by Robin McNeil to allow the District to apply for any grants, seconded by Chad Stratton and voted unanimously.

B. Board Chair

Budget passed and on time. Keep in mind that the state just passed a minimum \$40,000 base salary. Legislature also passed restriction on Native American Mascots.

V. **Report of Special Committees**

- A. Budget/Finance Committee No Meeting
- B. Building Committee No Meeting
 - 1. Naming Ad Hoc Committee May 27, 2019
- C. Education Committee June 4, 2019
 - Communication presented.

- D. Policy Committee No meeting
 - First Reading:
 - Second Reading:

- 1. JLCDA Administration of Medical Marijuana
 - JLCDA-R Administration of Medical Marijuana Procedures
 - JLCDA-E Parent/Medical Provider Request to Administer Medical Marijuana at School

A **motion** was made by Robin McNeil to approve this policy, procedure and form, **seconded** by Chad Stratton, and **voted** 683 for and 36 opposed (Chris Easton). Motion passed.

- 2. IHBEA Program for Limited English Proficient Student

A **motion** was made by Robin McNeil to approve this policy, **seconded** by Chuck Cossar and **voted** unanimously.

- E. Transportation Committee No meeting
- F. Tri-County Vocational Meeting
- G. Negotiations Committee May 30, 2019
- H. Extra-Curricular Ad Hoc Committee No meeting
- I. School Resource Officer Ad Hoc Committee No meeting

VI. **Old Business - None**

VII. **New Business**

- A. Request for One (1) Year Leave of Absence from Teaching

A **motion** was made by Ryan Parker to grant Saralynn Hardy a one year leave of absence from teaching, **seconded** by Chad Stratton, and **voted** unanimously.

- B. ESEA Projects and Anticipated Expenditures FY 20

Lori Merrow gave an overview of the ESEA Projects.

A **motion** was made by Ryan Parker to accept federal monies for ESEA programs, **seconded** by Jason Scholten, and **voted** unanimously.

- C. Comprehensive Contract Between RSU 19 and the RSU 19 Educational Association /MEA/NEA Teachers

A **motion** was made by Robin McNeil to approve the Comprehensive Contract, **seconded** by Jason Scholten , and **voted** unanimously.

D. Certify Results of Referendum Vote of June 11, 2019

A **motion** was made by Ryan Parker that the Computation and Declaration of Votes dated June 18, 2019 and attached hereto be approved, that the Computation and Declaration of Votes be entered upon the records of Regional School Unit No. 19, and that a certified copy of the Computation and Declaration of Votes be sent to each of the Municipal Clerks with the Regional School Unit, **seconded** by Chad Stratton and **voted** unanimously.

E. Administrative Positions

1. Assistant Principal for Nokomis Regional High

A **motion** was made by Ryan Parker to approve the Superintendent's recommendation and to employ Andrew Beach as Assistant Principal for Nokomis Regional High, **seconded** by Chad Stratton and **voted** 10 for and 3 opposed (Corinna Caron, Robin McNeil, Jenny Watson). Motion passed.

2. Assistant Principal for Nokomis Regional Middle School

A **motion** was made by Jason Scholten to approve the Superintendent's recommendation and to employ N. Scott Finnemore as Assistant Principal for Nokomis Regional Middle School, **seconded** by Robin McNeil and **voted** unanimously. Motion passed.

F. Staff Resignations - Informational - Letters were available.

1. Casey Murrell	Cook/Server	CES
2. Marilyn Hennessy	Cook	NRH
3. Beverly Pare	Middle Level Math	EDS
4. Cathy Miller	Pre-K	N/P
5. Sandra Nickerson	Ed Tech I	SOM
6. Karen Lavoie	French / READ 180	EDS
7. Joel Stevens	Grade 6	SOM

G. Staff Nominations

1. Stephanie Greaton	Grade 4	EDS
2. Danielle Arthur	Grade 2	EDS
3. Makenzie Wood	Grade 4	SEBVES
4. Sarah Murray	Grade 8 ELA	NRMS
5. Kenneth Black	Science	NRH
6. Danielle Martin	Science	NRH
7. Laurie Brophy	BCBA	District
8. Nancy Hoskins	School Nurse	EDS

A **motion** was made by Ryan Parker to move the Superintendent's nominations as a block, **seconded** by Chad Stratton and **voted** unanimously.

A **motion** was made by Jason Scholten to approve the Superintendent's nominations of new teachers, **seconded** by Robin McNeil and **voted** unanimously. Motion passed.

H. Staff Appointments - Informational - Hire Sheets were available to Board.

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| 1. Whitney Martin | Sped Ed Tech I | CES |
| 2. Brittany McAllister | Sped Ed Tech II | SOM |
| 3. Jenessa Stevens | Custodian | STAL |
| 4. Dennis Hoskins | Custodian | CES |

I. Staff Transfers - Informational

1. Drew Beaulieu Grade 3 N/P to Grade 7 Math NRMS

J. Authorize Superintendent to Hire during Summer Months

A **motion** was made by Jason Scholten to authorize the Superintendent to hire during the summer months, **seconded** by Ken Sands and **voted** unanimously.

K. Proposal for Therapy Dog

Mike presented a proposal to utilize a therapy dog as part of a Speech program and nominated Megan Kemp for Speech. It was **moved, seconded** and **voted** unanimously to approve the program and to accept the Superintendent's nomination of Megan Kemp for Speech.

VIII. Future Agenda Items

IX. Next Meeting Dates

No July Board meeting, but the Board will tour NRH and NRMS on July 16, 2019 beginning at 4:30 PM.

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Hammer
Secretary to the Board

Note Taker: Darcey LaPrade