MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION – ISD #361
INTERNATIONAL FALLS, MINNESOTA
Monday, May 21, 2012 – 5:00 p.m.
Falls High School Library

1.0 CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Stuart Nordquist at 5:00 p.m.

2.0 ROLL CALL: Members present were Mark Lassila, Will Kostiuk, Stuart Nordquist, Darrell Wagner, Dena Wenberg and Michelle Hebner. Also present was Superintendent Jeff Peura and student member Aleena Wilson.

Media Present: The Journal

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA: J. Peura made several corrections/additions to the agenda as follows:
Item 6: correction to Item 11 in April minutes
Item 7: adjust bill total to $340,037.90
Item 8.2: addition of Item 8.2.6
Moved by D. Wagner, seconded by W. Kostiuk to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried by a unanimous vote

5.0 OPEN FORUM

5.1 Students of the Month certificates were presented to Brittany Harris & Gunnar Anderson

5.2 Local 331 gave appreciation to a group of teachers consisting of Carol Jaksa, Chris Hemstad, Katie Hamers, John Sandberg, Thane Grewatz, and Kayla Gilbert for their work on a special committee to address bullying in the schools.

5.3 Local 4798 presented certificates to Dawnelle Meyers and Sandi Leali as the Educational Support Professionals of the Month.

5.4 Public Forum; there was no one to address the Board during the Open Forum.

6.0 APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTES
Moved by D. Wagner, seconded by W. Kostiuk to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 16, 2012 as corrected and the special meeting of May 9, 2012. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

7.0 AUTHORIZATION OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
Moved by W. Kostiuk, seconded by M. Lassila to approve the bills due and payable amounting to $340,037.90. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

8.0 CONSENT AGENDA

8.1 Programs

8.1.1 Accept donations in the amount of $15,059.18

4/12/12	Marshall Knudson; FHS Scholarships	$6,000.00
4/16/12	Boise; Scheela Field Project	$75.00
4/17/12	Reach for Stars Program; Elem. Library	$911.18
4/18/12	United Way; School Readiness	$883.75
4/18/12	Boise; Scheela Field Project	$50.00
4/20/12	Boise; Elem. Libraries	$750.00
4/24/12	Grand Rapids Swim Assoc.; Pool Project	$500.00
4/25/12	Midwest Sports; Scheela Field Project	$50.00
4/25/12	Cedulie Photography; Scheela Field Project	$50.00
4/25/12	Rainy lake Chiropractic; Scheela Field Project	$50.00
4/25/12	Vic & Pam Heinlen; Scheela Field Project	$75.00
4/25/12	Education MN Local 331; Scheela Field Project	$50.00
4/25/12	Peter Graham Auxiliary VFW 2948; Scheela Field Project	$306.25
4/25/12	Cann Insurance Agency; Scheela Field Project	$75.00
4/25/12	Tee Pee Motel; Scheela Field Project	$50.00
4/25/12	TruStar Federal Credit Union; Scheela Field Project	$100.00
4/25/12	Voyageur Charter Bus; Scheela Field Project	$100.00
4/25/12	Wenberg Transfer; Scheela Field Project	$200.00
4/25/12	KK Meyers; Scheela Field Project	$50.00
4/25/12	Waschke GM Center; Scheela Field Project	$50.00
4/25/12	Bremer Bank; Scheela Field Project	$50.00
4/25/12	Wherley Motors; Scheela Field Project	$200.00
4/25/12	Northern Reliable; Scheela Field Project	$75.00
4/25/12	Nagurski Transport; Scheela Field Project	$50.00
4/25/12	Super One; Scheela Field Project	$100.00
4/25/12	Coca Cola; Scheela Field Project	$200.00
4/30/12	Football Boosters; FHS Weight Room	$4008.00
		$15,059.18

8.1.2 Adopt the Resolution for Membership in the Minnesota State High School League for the 2012-13 school year.

8.1.3 Approve the revised Recreation Commission Joint Powers Agreement.

8.1.4 Approve the Reading Well by 3rd Grade Initiative plan draft document.

8.1.5 Approve a Memorandum of Agreement for Student Training Experience with Bemidji State University for the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015.

8.1.6 Approve an agreement with PMA Finance Group for a three-year computer lease/loan.

Moved by M. Hebner, seconded by D. Wagner to accept the program consent agenda items as presented. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

8.2 Personnel Consent

8.2.1 Accept the resignation due to retirement from Susan Savard effective June 1, 2012.

8.2.2 Accept the resignation due to retirement from Debra Ciminski effective June 1, 2012.

8.2.3 Acknowledge Alicia Hendrickson as a volunteer track coach for the current track season.

8.2.4 Acknowledge a letter from Kayla Gilbert withdrawing from candidacy for Assistant Girls' Swim Coach effective immediately.

8.2.5 Acknowledge Joe Boyle as a volunteer football coach for the 2012 season.

8.2.6 Approve a Retired Teachers Contract with Marva Fairchild as a .60 FTE Family and Consumer Science Teacher for the 2012-13 school year.

Moved by D. Wagner, seconded by W. Kostiuk to accept the personnel consent agenda items as presented and with thanks to the retiring teachers for their years of service. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

8.3 POLICY

8.3.1 Receive a Student Activity Policy #713 for adoption in June.

8.3.2 Receive the revised Policy 514 Bully Prohibition Policy for adoption in June.

8.3.3 Receive the revised Policy 807 Health and Safety for adoption in June.

8.3.4 Receive revised Student Activity Handbook for adoption in June.

8.3.5 Receive revised Professional Development Fund Policy for informational purposes with no Board action required.

9.0 BUDGETS

9.1 Receive the Final FY2011-12 Expenditure and Revenue budgets for adoption in June.

9.2 Receive the revised FY2012-13 Tentative Expenditure and Revenue budgets for adoption in June.

10.0 ADOPT RESOLUTION FOR NONRENEWAL OF PROBATIONARY TEACHER.

Member D. Wagner introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE TERMINATION AND NONRENEWAL OF THE TEACHING CONTRACT OF WENDY MAYER, PROBATIONARY TEACHER

WHEREAS Wendy Mayer, is a probationary teacher in Independent School District No. 361, and

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 361, that pursuant to Minnesota Statues 122A.40, Subdivision 5 and the collective bargaining agreement between ISD 361 and EDMN Local 331, that the teaching contract of Wendy Mayer, probationary teacher in Independent School District No. 361, is hereby terminated at the close of the current 2011-12 school year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that written notice be sent to said teacher regarding termination and nonrenewal of her contract as provided by law, and that said notice shall be in substantially the following form:

NOTICE OF TERMINATION
AND NON RENEWAL

Ms. Wendy Mayer
1001 13th Street
International Falls, MN 56649

Dear Ms. Mayer:

You are hereby notified that at a regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 361 held on May 21, 2012, a resolution was adopted by a majority roll call vote to terminate your contract effective at the end of the current school year and not renew your contract for the 2012-13 school year. Said action of the board is taken pursuant to M.S. 122A.40, Subd. 5.

You may officially request that the school board give its reasons for the non-renewal of your teaching contract.

For Your Information,

Dena Wenberg, Clerk
SCHOOL BOARD OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 361

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by M. Lassila and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: M. Lassila, W. Kostiuk, S. Nordquist, D. Wagner, D. Wenberg, M. Hebner
and the following voted against the same: none
whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

11.0 ADOPT RESOLUTION FOR RENEWAL OF PROBATIONARY TEACHERS FOR 2012-13.

Member W. Kostiuk introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE RENEWAL OF THE TEACHING CONTRACTS OF PROBATIONARY TEACHERS

WHEREAS Katherine Anderson, Amanda Baron, Katie Hamers, Molly Pavleck, Beth Shermoen, Elizabeth Strandberg, Heather Sundsvold, and Jennifer Wenberg-Anderson, are probationary teachers in Independent School District No. 361, and

WHEREAS Katherine Anderson, Amanda Baron, Katie Hamers, Molly Pavleck, Beth Shermoen, Elizabeth Strandberg, Heather Sundsvold, and Jennifer Wenberg-Anderson have successfully completed a probationary teaching year for 2011-12,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 361, that pursuant to Minnesota Statues 122A.40, Subdivision 5 and the collective bargaining agreement between ISD 361 and EDMN Local 331, that Katherine Anderson, Amanda Baron, Katie Hamers, Molly Pavleck, Beth Shermoen, Elizabeth Strandberg, and Jennifer Wenberg-Anderson, probationary teachers in Independent

School District No. 361, are hereby granted a probationary teaching position to the extent of 1.0 F.T.E. and Heather Sundsvold to the extent of .66 F.T.E. for the 2012-13 school year as evidenced by observation and recommendation of the administration.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that written notice be sent to said teachers regarding renewal of his/her probationary position as provided by law, and that said notice shall be in substantially the following form:

NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF
A PROBATIONARY TEACHING POSITION

Ms. Katherine Anderson//
XXXXXXXXX
International Falls, MN 56649

Dear Ms. Anderson//:

You are hereby notified that at a regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 361 held on April 16, 2012, a resolution was adopted by a majority roll call vote to renew your probationary position for the 2012-13 school year. Said action of the board is taken pursuant to M.S. 122A.40, Subd. 5.

Yours very truly,

SCHOOL BOARD OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 361
Dena Wenberg, Clerk

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by D. Wagner and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: M. Lassila, W. Kostiuk, S. Nordquist, D. Wagner, D. Wenberg, M. Hebner

and the following voted against the same: none
whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

12.0 RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE GRANTING OF TENURE TO PROBATIONARY TEACHERS AS LISTED.

Member M. Hebner introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION FOR AWARDING CONTRACT LEADING TO "CONTINUING CONTRACT RIGHTS", OR, "TENURE":

Whereas Michelle Boelk, Shawn Johnson, Susan Palm and Heidi Thompson have served the required number of years of probationary teaching, as prescribed by MS 122A.40, and

Whereas said teachers have successfully met the instructional and professional standards of ISD 361, International Falls Public Schools, as determined by said teachers' immediate supervisors Tim Everson and Jerry Hilfer, and

Whereas Principal Everson, Principal Hilfer, and Jeff Peura, Superintendent, now recommend Michelle Boelk, Shawn Johnson, Susan Palm and Heidi Thompson to the school board to faculty tenure,

Be it resolved that Michelle Boelk, Shawn Johnson, Susan Palm and Heidi Thompson upon recommendation of the administration be granted faculty tenure with all its privileges and responsibilities, effective the 2012-2013 school year to the extent of 1.0 FTE.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member D. Wenberg and upon voice vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: M. Lassila, W. Kostiuk, S. Nordquist, D. Wagner, D. Wenberg, M. Hebner
And the following voted against the same: none
Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

13.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

13.1 Tim Everson, Falls High School Principal

- 13.1.1 Enrollment is currently 550 for grades 7-12.
- 13.1.2 Seniors' last day is Friday, May 25th, remaining students' last day is Thursday, May 31st and graduation is Sunday, June 3rd.

13.2 Andy Fougner, RtI Coordinator reported on behalf of Falls Elementary

- 13.2.1 Enrollment is 661 for grades K-6.
- 13.2.2 The Reading Well by 3rd Grade Committee has drafted the plan document with just a few adjustments left. Submission of the plan is due by July 1st to the Department of Education and will also be posted on the district website.
- 13.2.3 Targeted services ended on 5/13. Plans for the summer program are underway. The program will run six days each in June, July and August and is administered through the special education cooperative.
- 13.2.4 The Parent Involvement Committee has been meeting and working on ideas for the next school year.

13.3 Jeff Peura, Superintendent

- 13.3.1 Local 510 – Intent to Negotiate has been received and meeting dates will be scheduled.
- 13.3.2 Graduation Ceremony - Board members will all be in attendance to distribute diplomas.
- 13.3.3 Court of Appeals update – The Court has ruled in favor of the district in the Marie Blumhardt leave of absence case.

14.0 DIRECTOR/COMMITTEE REPORTS

14.1 Aleena Wilson report on behalf of student council.

- 14.1.1 This is the last week for seniors.
- 14.1.2 The Rotary Awards Scholarship Program is tonight with over thirty recipients.
- 14.1.3 Selection for student council was recently held with a different process utilized this year whereby rather than vote members on a list was sent which they strike off six members they do

not want. A voting process will be used to choose the Executive Board.

15.0 ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was temporarily adjourned at 5:25 p.m. to hold a reception for the newly tenured staff.

16.0 RECEPTION FOR NEWLY TENURED STAFF.

17.0 ENTER INTO A CLOSED SESSION

Chairperson S. Nordquist called the meeting back to order and enter a closed session at 5:40 p.m. to discuss negotiations with Local 331, Local 510, Administration and pending litigation. Member W. Kostiuk was not present at the closed session.

18.0 REOPEN AND SUBSEQUENT ADJOURNMENT

Moved by M. Hebner, seconded by D. Wagner to reopen the meeting and subsequently adjourn at 6:00 p.m. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Attest: _____
D. Wenberg, Clerk