

CONSENT AGENDA ENCLOSURE 8.11

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2142, ST. LOUIS COUNTY SCHOOLS, HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2006.

MEMBERS PRESENT:      Bjerklie  
   Bruns  
   Fowler  
   Krog  
   A. Larson  
   B. Larson  
   Salmela

ALSO PRESENT:              Rick  
   Simonson  
   Cox

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 2142, St. Louis County Schools, was held at ISD # 2142 District Office on Monday, December 12, 2006, at 5:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Superintendent Charles Rick made a correction on the agenda with the deletion of Encl. 6.321, Van Driver Resignation.

Motion by Fowler and seconded by A. Larson to approve the amended agenda.

Yes- Bjerklie, Bruns, Fowler, Krog, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela  
Against-None

Superintendent Charles Rick reported the following: 1.) The Strategic Planning Meeting of December 4, 2006 displayed a shared vision by the participants. There will be a Strategic Planning meeting in January, which will be the action planning stage; 2.) The superintendent is involved with a Secondary Technical Educational program. He is part of the planning committee which will be discussing the integrating of technical programs with higher educational facilities; 3.) On January 19<sup>th</sup> there will be a meeting with Steve Peterson at Nett Lake to discuss entrepreneurship; 4.) Administration is continuing their planning for next year.

Assistant Superintendent Sidney L. Simonson reported the following: 1.) There will be a major meeting with the assessment committee at the District Office on Friday. They will be reviewing MCA testing results. The goal is to track individual student performance and there will be discussing using a different strategy for instruction.

Motion by Krog and seconded by B. Larson to approve the consent agenda: November 27, 2006 Regular School Board Meeting Minutes; *Policy: Donations:* 1.) \$50.00 from Ken Waschke Auto Plaza, Inc for Winter Frolic for the Babbitt-Embarrass School; 2. \$320.00 from Eugene Wagner for the Media Center at the Tower-Soudan School; 3. \$200.00 from S.D. Warren Services for the AlBrook School book program; 4. \$500.00 from Saturday Night County...Live! for the Orr School music program; 5. \$500.00 from Lions Club of Babbitt for archery at the Babbitt-Embarrass School; 6. \$1000.000 from Lions Club of Babbitt for the Babbitt-Embarrass School library; and 7. \$253.50 from the Orr American Legion for purchase of a mobile lighted vision screening stand for the Orr School health department.

Yes- Bjerklie, Bruns, Fowler, Krog, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela  
Against-None

Superintendent Rick commented briefly on the incorrect proposed tax statement which was sent by the St. Louis County Auditor's office and then advised approval of the levy as presented.

Motion by Fowler and seconded by Salmela to certify 2006 Payable 2007 school district levy in the amount of \$1,334,798.85.

Yes- Bjerklie, Bruns, Fowler, Krog, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela  
Against-None

Superintendent Charles Rick advised the board that he recommending that the Cotton Baseball program be approved for the 2006-2007 school year, since there ar3e enough student to support this program.

Mr. Mark Carlson, Cotton School parent, spoke to the board about his support of the program and stated that Mr. Wood would accommodate the baseball program.

Motion by Krog and seconded by Bjerklie to approve permission for a baseball season at the Cotton School for the 2006-2007 school year.

Yes- Bjerklie, Bruns, Fowler, Krog, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela  
Against-None

Motion by Krog and seconded by Bjerklie to approve Veronica Matvey as teacher aide, 2.25 hours per day, 5 days per week, effective October 13, 2006, with terms and conditions of employment in accord with master agreement between ISD # 2142 and Teamsters Local #346.

Yes- Bjerklie, Bruns, Fowler, Krog, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela  
Against-None

Motion by Krog and seconded by Salmela to approve Veronica Matvey as health assistant, 2 hours per day, 5 days per week effective October 27, 2006, with terms and conditions of employment in accord with master agreement between ISd # 2142 and Teamsters Local #346.

Yes- Bjerklie, Bruns, Fowler, Krog, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela  
Against-None

Motion by B. Larson and seconded by Fowler to approve Gary Fredrickson as bus driver, bargaining unit, not to exceed full time equivalency for this position, effective December 1, 2006, with terms and conditions of employment in accord with master agreement between ISD # 2142 and Operating Engineers #70.

Yes- Bjerklie, Bruns, Fowler, Krog, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela  
Against-None

Motion by Salmela and seconded by A. Larson to approve Earl Otis as assistant basketball coach for the AlBrook School for the 2006-2007 school year.

Yes- Bjerklie, Bruns, Fowler, Krog, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela  
Against-None

Motion by A. Larson and seconded by Salmela to accept Irene Van Deusen's letter of resignation as bus driver, effective December 31, 2006.

Yes- Bjerklie, Bruns, Fowler, Krog, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela  
Against-None

Motion by Salmela and seconded by Krog to amend the hours per week for Ilona Svedberg as instructional aide, from 2.5 hours to 2 hours per week, effective October 24, 2006.

Yes- Bjerklie, Bruns, Fowler, Krog, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela  
Against-None

Motion by Salmela and seconded by Bjerklie to consider adding a .3 FTE elementary position at the Cook School for the remainder of the 2006-2007 school year.

Board member Krog asked if administration has looked at the number of students as they change throughout the year.

Superintendent Rick indicated that the principals have discussed this with him.

Yes- Bjerklie, Bruns, Fowler, Krog, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela  
Against-None

*Comments from the board:*

Board member Bjerklie commented that the Strategic Planning is going great.

Board member Krog commented that it was good to see Linda Cox back from surgery.

Board member Fowler commented that it was good to see the superintendent involved in the new technical program, which he would also like to be involved in.

Superintendent Rick commented that he thinks that there is change in the air in a positive way from the results of the community members involved in the Strategic Planning Committee. People are going to raise questions and that is good. The direction we are going in is also good. The public is getting engaged and that is a good sign.

Board chair Bruns agreed with the superintendent that the Strategic Planning is going well. In January of 2007 they will be making decisions.

Board member Salmela congratulated Superintendent Rick on getting his doctorate.

*Comments from visitors:*

Mr. Eric Erickson withdrew his comments since the Cotton baseball program was passed.

Ms. Kim Erickson, president of the Cotton School PTO, commented on the Cotton baseball program and thanked the school board for passing the program. Ms. Erickson commented on the large size of the combined Kindergarten and First grade classes at the Cotton School.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.