

CONSENT AGENDA ENCLOSURE 5.11

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2142, ST. LOUIS COUNTY SCHOOLS, HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2006.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bruns
 Fowler
 Johnson
 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 Babbitt-Embarrass School, October 9, 2006, at 5:05 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Johnson and seconded by Fowler to approve the agenda.

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

Superintendent Charles Rick reported the following: 1.) Gave Meet and Confer report; 2.) Referendum meetings are complete. Community attendance was an average of 15 to 25 people. The letters will be going out to all taxpayers this week; and 3.) There was a strategic planning discussion today at the school board study session. It will be up for further discussion in the future.

Assistant Superintendent Sidney L. Simonson reported the following: 1.) A list of cars / vans / and school buses was given to the board. The assistant superintendent discussed the aging district owned fleet and the need for new buses with the passing of the referendum; and 2.) MAPS testing was today for grades 3 through 8. Individual student results will come out in November 2006.

Principal Steve Reznicek reported the following: Welcome to Babbitt-Embarrass School. 1.) Regarding the referendum, the principal will speak to the Babbitt Senior Citizens and the Babbitt City Council next week; 2.) Thank you to Gary Albertson, owner and operator of the Cook News Herald, for his help with the journalism class. The

Babbitt-Embarrass School paper looks as professional as the Babbitt Weekly and the Cook News Herald; and 3.) The Taconite trophy has been brought back to the school. It has not been in the Babbitt-Embarrass School for 10 to 15 years.

Motion by Johnson and seconded by B. Larson to approve the consent agenda: September 25, 2006 Regular School Board Meeting Minutes; *Policy*: Permission for the Cook School to travel to Chorifest, University of Wisconsin in Superior, Wisconsin on November 3, 2006.

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

Motion by Krog and seconded by Salmela to accept Barbara Groves' letter of intent of retire / resignation as teacher effective, the end of the 2006-2007 school year.

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

Motion by Johnson and seconded by Krog to approve Sandra Cooper as Health Assistant, 6 hours per day, 5 days per week, effective September 5, 2006, with terms and conditions of employment in accord with master agreement between ISD # 2142 and Teamsters Local #346.

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

Motion by Fowler and seconded by A. Larson to approve Christina Thoreson as Health Assistant, 6 hours per day, 5 days per week, effective September 5, 2006, with terms and conditions of employment in accord with master agreement between ISD # 2142 and Teamsters Local #346.

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

Motion by Krog and seconded by Salmela to approve Jahna Hardy as Health Assistant, bargaining unit, 2 hours per day, 5 days per week, effective September 5, 2006, with terms and conditions of employment in accord with master agreement between ISD # 2142 and Teamsters Local #346.

Board member Fowler asked for the reason why this health assistant was being hired.

Superintendent Rick indicated that it is due to student needs.

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

Motion by B. Larson and seconded by Johnson to approve Sharon Swenson as teacher aide, bargaining unit, 6.5 hours per day, 5 days per week, effective September 28, 2006, with terms and conditions of employment in accord with master agreement between ISD # 2142 and Teamsters Local #346.

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

Motion by Krog and seconded by Salmela to approve Jahna Hardy as teacher aide, bargaining unit, 2.25 hours per day, 5 days per week, effective September 18, 2006, with terms and conditions of employment in accord with master agreement between ISD # 2142 and Teamsters Local #346.

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

Motion by fowler and seconded by Johnson to approve Jennifer Kaufenberg as instructional aide, bargaining unit, 5.5 hours per day, 5 days per week, effective September 21, 2006, with terms and conditions of employment in accord with master agreement between ISD # 2142 and Teamsters Local #346.

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

Motion by B. Larson and seconded by Johnson to approve Gloria Autio as instructional aide, bargaining unit, 6.5 hours per day, 5 days per week, effective September 28, 2006, with terms and conditions of employment in accord with master agreement between ISD # 2142 and Teamsters Local #346.

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

Motion by Krog and seconded by Salmela to approve Jahna Hardy as instructional aide, bargaining unit, 2 hours per day, 5 days per week, effective September 18, 2006, with terms and conditions of employment in accord with master agreement between ISD # 2142 and Teamsters Local #346.

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

Motion by Fowler and seconded by A. Larson to offer Gail Esala a .10 FTE probationary ECFE teaching contract for the 2006-2007 school year, effective September 27, 2006, with terms and conditions of employment in accord with Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and SLCTEM.

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

Motion by A. Larson and seconded by Fowler to recall Virginia Leander as a Title I teacher for the 2006-2007 school year to the extent of 1.5 hours per day, effective October 3, 2006 with terms and conditions of recall to employment in accord with Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and SLCTEM.

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

Motion by Salmela and seconded by Johnson to recall Loretta Rankila as a Title I teacher for the 2006-2007 school year to the extent of ½ hour per day, effective October 4, 2006 with terms and conditions of recall to employment in accord with Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and SLCTEM.

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

Motion by B. Larson and seconded by Johnson to recall Diane Swanson as a Title I teacher for the 2006-2007 school year to the extent of 1 hour per day, effective October 3, 2006 with terms and conditions of recall to employment in accord with Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and SLCTEM.

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

Motion by Krog and seconded by Salmela to recall Mary Nemec-Wood as a Title I teacher for the 2006-2007 school year to the extent of ½ hour per day, effective October 5, 2006 with terms and conditions of recall to employment in accord with Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and SLCTEM.

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

Motion by B. Larson and seconded by Fowler to recall Laura Kowarsch as a Title I teacher for the 2006-2007 school year to the extent of 3.5 hours per day, effective October 9, 2006 with terms and conditions of recall to employment in accord with Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and SLCTEM.

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

Motion by B. Larson and seconded by Johnson to offer Christine Peters a .30 FTE probationary teaching contract for the 2006-2007 school year, effective September 22,

2006, with terms and conditions of employment in accord with Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and SLCTEM.

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

Motion by Krog and seconded by B. Larson to offer Margaret Cherne a 1.0 FTE probationary teaching contact for the 2006-2007 school year, effective September 5, 2006, contingent upon securing variance or provisional licensure from the Department of Education with terms and conditions of employment in accord with Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and SLCTEM.

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

Motion by Fowler and seconded by A. Larson to accept Michael Thyen's letter of resignation as a .4 FTE teacher effective the 2006-2007 school year.

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

Comments from Board Members:

Board Member A. Larson stated that emergency planning was listed on the consent agenda today. People have been asking if we have a plan at St. Louis County Schools, and the answer is yes we do.

Superintendent Rick commented briefly on the District's Crisis Management Plan, that the board has already passed. Mr. Rick explained that we have emergency drills and plans, which all of our schools are following. The superintendent's #1 concern is the safety of our students.

Principal Reznicek indicated that Babbitt-Embarrass School has already had one fire drill and one lock down drill this year.

Discussion followed.

Superintendent Rick stated that he will be speaking to the Babbitt-Embarrass senior citizens on October 17, at 10:00 a.m.

Board Chair Bruns scheduled a board study session for strategic planning on October 23, 2006, starting at 10:00 a.m. at the ISD # 2142 District Office.

Comments from visitors:

Mr. John Wood, Cotton School parent asked the school board for the status on the Cotton School baseball program for 2007. Mr. Wood indicated that it would be supported by a Cotton area baseball organization. This organization supplies all of the

baseball players needs except the need for transportation. Mr. Wood is in support of the baseball program and would like to move forward, but is waiting for board approval.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Peter Ringhofer, a long term bus driver from the Cherry School spoke to the school board. Mr. Ringhofer explained events leading up to a recommendation of a Cherry School bus driver and indicated that in his opinion, the procedure was improperly followed.

Discussion followed.

Assistant Superintendent Sidney L. Simonson stated that he took full responsibility for the improperly followed hiring procedure, and that interviews would take place for this position.

The regular school board meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m. The school board then entered into closed session.