

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2142, ST. LOUIS COUNTY SCHOOLS, HELD ON MONDAY, MAY 7, 2007.

PRESENT: Fowler
A. Larson
B. Larson
Krog
Salmela

ABSENT: Bjerklie
Bruns

ALSO PRESENT: Rick
Simonson
Johnson
Cox

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 2142, St. Louis County Schools, was held at the AlBrook School on Monday, **May 7, 2007**, at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

Board member Bjerklie arrived at 6:02 p.m.

Superintendent Charles Rick reported the following: **1.)** There are PTO / Community meetings scheduled which will review a draft of the Strategic Planning, community survey results and student enrollment. Some of the meetings have already taken place: Cherry on May 2 and AlBrook on May 3. Up-coming meetings are: Babbitt-Embarrass May 8; Cook May 9; Tower-Soudan May 10; Orr May 11; and Cotton May 14; **2.)** Three (3) late school starts have also been scheduled for a presentation of the Strategic Plan Draft. The late starts in Babbitt-Embarrass/Tower-Soudan are May 8; AlBrook / Cotton / Cherry, May 17 and Cook / Orr, May 21; **3.)** The Superintendent will be touring the Soudan Mine on May 8; **4.)** There will be a meeting for the "Applied Learning Initiative" regarding Industrial Technology courses on Friday, May 11, 2007 at the District Office; **5.)** Dr. Rick indicated that he will be attending the following year end meetings: Indian Education program May 15; Title I transfer day May 16; Tower Boys & Girls Club for Indian Education May 17; **6.)** The graduation dates this year are Cotton and Orr on May 24; AlBrook, Babbitt-Embarrass, Cherry, and Tower-Soudan on May 25 and Cook May 26. This year the Superintendent will be attending Cotton and Babbitt-Embarrass; **7.)** The Superintendent and Business Manager are currently working on next year's budget. The budget will be on the June 11 agenda; **8.)** There was good discussion on the survey results which were given at the community meetings; **9.)** A follow-up survey could possibly be send to students.

Assistant Superintendent Sidney L. Simonson reported the following: **1.)** Time again for testing. The MCA tests are now completed. Results indicate that there may be a few students that may not be graduating; **2.)** Mr. Simonson complimented Business Manager Kim Johnson on the outstanding job she is doing and for her work on the budget.

Board member Bjerklie commented that St. Louis County has sent over several computers to our District Office already.

Board member B. Larson asked if Mr. Simonson will be sending a recommendation to the board to purchase school buses.

Mr. Simonson replied that he would be. However, no timeline was indicated.

Principal Gary Friedlieb reported the following: **1.)** AlBrook School placed 4th in the top ten schools in the annual WDSE-TV Arthur Read-a-thon, top readers: Zuzu Johnson, grade 2 - 4,400 minutes and Amber Schwartz, grade 4 - 3,490 minutes. The 13th annual Reading Rainbow Young Writer's & Illustrators contest had three AlBrook students place in the top ten: Kaelin Graves, grade 1, Christina Roel, grade 1 and Lily Price, grade 2. In the Minnesota Twins Father of the Year essay

contest, Kyrah William, grade 1 submitted the runner-up essay; 2.) Enrollment is currently at 389 students, compared to 387 in the fall of 2006; 3.) Mr. Friedlieb advocated for an additional 1.0 FTE elementary teacher for the 07/08 school year; 4.) AlBrook is involved in a U of M matching grant for the “Early Risers” program. The program targets at-risk students in grades K-4 and provides them with character / social skills to promote appropriate behavior; 5.) Mr. Friedlieb spoke about the on-going Northeast Online Learning Project; 6.) Mr. Friedlieb sent his best wishes to Don Ranta, an AlBrook social studies teacher who will be retiring at the end of the 06-07 school year. He also acknowledged all the AlBrook people in attendance at the board meeting. He indicated that these people have done a lot of hard work for the AlBrook School.

Motion by Bjerklie and seconded by Krog to **approve the consent agenda**: April 23, 2007 Regular School Board Meeting Minutes; Policy: Donations: 1.) \$1,200.00 from Bois Forte Reservation Tribal Council for the Orr School Jr. Class; 2.) \$1,200.00 additional from Bois Forte Reservation Tribal Council for the Orr School Jr. Class; 3.) \$250.00 from the Minnesota Forest Industries, Inc. for the Orr School; 4.) \$8,000.00 from the Orr Youth Development Coordinator, Nancy Glass, for the Orr School Youth Development Character Development Program; 5.) \$500.00 from the Cherry PTSO for the Cherry School ECFE program; 6.) \$150.00 from the Cook School PTO for Cook School Learning Readiness Scholarships; 7.) \$150.00 from the Tower-Soudan Athletic Association for reimbursement of Tower-Soudan School GBB 5th grade Pacesetter Tournament entrance fee; ***The following items were donated to the District Office’s Silent Auction for the ongoing maintenance of their landscaping project:*** 8.) Lamp from Fire Light, Virginia, valued at \$28.99; 9.) Gift basket from the Finland House, Virginia, valued at \$35.65; 10.) \$20.00 gift certificate from Michael’s on the Course Restaurant, Virginia; 11.) Four (4) admission tickets and refreshments from the Comet Theater, Cook; 12.) \$25.00 gift certificate from Burgher Office Equipment, Virginia; 13.) \$20.00 gift certificate from Range Office Supply, Virginia; 14.) \$62.84 gift certificate from Quad Cities and Optimal Fitness Center; 15.) Gift basket from the Timber Coffee Company, Virginia; 16.) Gift basket from Herbergers, Virginia; 17.) \$30.00 gift certificate from Creative Memories, Teri Slygh, Cotton; 18.) Two (2) Minnesota Twins tickets from Gary Albertson, Cook News Herald, Cook; 19.) Gift basket from Olde Country Floral, Gilbert; 20.) Gift certificate for one (1) free youth program from Mesabi Family YMCA, Virginia; 21.) \$20.00 gift certificate from Dairy Queen, Virginia; 22.) One (1) year subscription to the Cook News Herald, from Gary Albertson, Cook; 23.) One (1) year subscription to the Tower News, from Gary Albertson, Cook; 24.) One (1) free oil change from Master’s Wrench, Virginia; 25.) Gift basket from Matters of the Heart, Virginia, value \$40.00; 26.) \$20.00 gift certificate from BG’s Bar & Grill, Virginia; 27.) \$10.00 gift certificate from Natural Harvest, Virginia; 28.) \$25.00 certificate from the Sawmill Restaurant, Virginia; 29.) \$90.00 Programmable thermostat from Honeywell Company; 30.) \$50.00 gift certificate for the Sawmill Restaurant from Johnson Controls; 31.) \$25.00 gift certificate from Pelican Bay IGA, Orr; 32.) Two (2) \$5.00 gift certificates from Deb’s Diner, Virginia; 33.) Fifteen (15) deluxe car washes from Virginia Car Wash valued at \$120.00; and 34.) One (1) gift certificate for 50% off arrangement from Cook’s North Country Floral of Cook.

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

Member Fowler introduced the following resolution and moved as follows:

**RESOLUTION TO EXPEL STUDENT “X9-07”
FOR A PERIOD OF TWELVE MONTHS**

WHEREAS, there is substantial evidence that student “X9-07” committed a serious and flagrant violation of school district policy and state law: possessing knives on school grounds and school locations; and,

WHEREAS, student “X9-07” and his parents and natural guardians have signed and executed a *Waiver of Right to Hearing and Consent to Expulsion* for twelve months;

BE IT RESOLVED, by the school board of Independent School District No. 2142, that student “X9-07” be expelled for a period of twelve months commencing with May 7, 2007.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by B. Larson and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same: Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela, Krog.
Absent: Bruns

Whereupon, said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Motion by Fowler and seconded by A. Larson to **accept the change order for -\$17,611.30, dated April 20, 2007, for a new total of \$410,388.70 from Klamm Mechanical Contractors, Inc. for the Babbitt-Embarrass School boiler project.**

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

Motion by Bjerklie and seconded by B. Larson to **accept Tammy Cornelius's letter of resignation as site secretary I, effective April 23, 2007.**

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

Motion by B. Larson and seconded by Bjerklie to **accept Gary Fredrickson's letter of resignation as bus driver, effective May 7, 2007.**

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

Member B. Larson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION PLACING CAROLYN OLSON
ON UNREQUESTED LEAVE
OF ABSENCE**

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 adopted a resolution proposing placement of Carolyn Olson on unrequested leave of absence to the extent of .15 FTE, on April 9, 2007, on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave was received by Carolyn Olson by certified mail on April 10, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave contained a statement setting forth the reasons for the proposed placement as well as a statement that she was entitled to a hearing before the school board provided she made a request in writing within fourteen days of receipt of said notice, and that if no hearing was requested within said fourteen day period it constituted acquiescence by Carolyn Olson to the school board's proposed action, and

WHEREAS, no written request of any kind was received by the school board or Superintendent of Schools from Carolyn Olson for a hearing as of April 24, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said failure to make written request for a hearing within fourteen days after receipt of notice of proposed placement on unrequested leave constitutes acquiescence by Carolyn Olson to her placement on unrequested leave to the extent of .15 FTE.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 that Independent School District No. 2142 on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, effective at the end of the 2006-2007 school year on June 30, 2007 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sec. 122A.15, Subd. 10, and Article XXIII, Section 1 of the current Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and EDMNSLCT, without pay or fringe benefits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a notice of placement on unrequested leave, together with a copy of the resolution be forwarded to said teacher personally and that an affidavit of same be placed in her file, together with a copy of the notice and resolution.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Krog and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela and Krog
Absent: Bruns

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Member Krog introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION PLACING KATHERINE KEBBEKUS
ON UNREQUESTED LEAVE
OF ABSENCE**

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 adopted a resolution proposing placement of Katherine Kebbekus on unrequested leave of absence to the extent of .30 FTE, on April 9, 2007, on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave was received by Katherine Kebbekus by certified mail on April 10, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave contained a statement setting forth the reasons for the proposed placement as well as a statement that she was entitled to a hearing before the school board provided she made a request in writing within fourteen days of receipt of said notice, and that if no hearing was requested within said fourteen day period it constituted acquiescence by Katherine Kebbekus to the school board's proposed action, and

WHEREAS, no written request of any kind was received by the school board or Superintendent of Schools from Katherine Kebbekus for a hearing as of April 24, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said failure to make written request for a hearing within fourteen days after receipt of notice of proposed placement on unrequested leave constitutes acquiescence by Katherine Kebbekus to her placement on unrequested leave to the extent of .30 FTE.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 that Independent School District No. 2142 on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, effective at the end of the 2006-2007 school year on June 30, 2007 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sec. 122A.15, Subd. 10, and Article XXIII, Section 1 of the current Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and EDMNSLCT, without pay or fringe benefits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a notice of placement on unrequested leave, together with a copy of the resolution be forwarded to said teacher personally and that an affidavit of same be placed in her file, together with a copy of the notice and resolution.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Fowler and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela and Krog

Absent: Bruns

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted

Member A. Larson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION PLACING SUSAN ANDERSON
ON UNREQUESTED LEAVE
OF ABSENCE**

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 adopted a resolution proposing placement of Susan Anderson on unrequested leave of absence to the extent of .10 FTE, on April 9, 2007, on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave was received by Susan Anderson by certified mail on April 10, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave contained a statement setting forth the reasons for the proposed placement as well as a statement that she was entitled to a hearing before the school board provided she made a request in writing within fourteen days

of receipt of said notice, and that if no hearing was requested within said fourteen day period it constituted acquiescence by Susan Anderson to the school board's proposed action, and

WHEREAS, no written request of any kind was received by the school board or Superintendent of Schools from Susan Anderson for a hearing as of April 24, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said failure to make written request for a hearing within fourteen days after receipt of notice of proposed placement on unrequested leave constitutes acquiescence by Susan Anderson to her placement on unrequested leave to the extent of .10 FTE.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 that Independent School District No. 2142 on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, effective at the end of the 2006-2007 school year on June 30, 2007 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sec. 122A.15, Subd. 10, and Article XXIII, Section 1 of the current Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and EDMNSLCT, without pay or fringe benefits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a notice of placement on unrequested leave, together with a copy of the resolution be forwarded to said teacher personally and that an affidavit of same be placed in her file, together with a copy of the notice and resolution.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member B. Larson and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela and Krog

Absent: Bruns

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Member Krog introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION PLACING CHRISTY DRESHAR
ON UNREQUESTED LEAVE
OF ABSENCE**

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 adopted a resolution proposing placement of Christy Dreshar on unrequested leave of absence to the extent of .20 FTE, on April 9, 2007, on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave was received by Christy Dreshar by certified mail on April 10, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave contained a statement setting forth the reasons for the proposed placement as well as a statement that she was entitled to a hearing before the school board provided she made a request in writing within fourteen days of receipt of said notice, and that if no hearing was requested within said fourteen day period it constituted acquiescence by Christy Dreshar to the school board's proposed action, and

WHEREAS, no written request of any kind was received by the school board or Superintendent of Schools from Christy Dreshar for a hearing as of April 24, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said failure to make written request for a hearing within fourteen days after receipt of notice of proposed placement on unrequested leave constitutes acquiescence by Christy Dreshar to her placement on unrequested leave to the extent of .20 FTE.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 that Independent School District No. 2142 on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, effective at the end of the 2006-2007 school year on June 30, 2007 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sec. 122A.15, Subd. 10, and Article XXIII, Section 1 of the current Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and EDMNSLCT, without pay or fringe benefits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a notice of placement on unrequested leave, together with a copy of the resolution be forwarded to said teacher personally and that an affidavit of same be placed in her file, together with a copy of the notice and resolution.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Fowler and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela and Krog

Absent: Bruns

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Member B. Larson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION PLACING WILLIAM KRUETH
ON UNREQUESTED LEAVE
OF ABSENCE**

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 adopted a resolution proposing placement of William Krueth on unrequested leave of absence to the extent of .20 FTE, on April 9, 2007, on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave was received by William Krueth by certified mail on April 10, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave contained a statement setting forth the reasons for the proposed placement as well as a statement that he was entitled to a hearing before the school board provided he made a request in writing within fourteen days of receipt of said notice, and that if no hearing was requested within said fourteen day period it constituted acquiescence by William Krueth to the school board's proposed action, and

WHEREAS, no written request of any kind was received by the school board or Superintendent of Schools from William Krueth for a hearing as of April 24, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said failure to make written request for a hearing within fourteen days after receipt of notice of proposed placement on unrequested leave constitutes acquiescence by William Krueth to his placement on unrequested leave to the extent of .20 FTE.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 that Independent School District No. 2142 on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, effective at the end of the 2006-2007 school year on June 30, 2007 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sec. 122A.15, Subd. 10, and Article XXIII, Section 1 of the current Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and EDMNSLCT, without pay or fringe benefits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a notice of placement on unrequested leave, together with a copy of the resolution be forwarded to said teacher personally and that an affidavit of same be placed in his file, together with a copy of the notice and resolution.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Bjerklie and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela and Krog

Absent: Bruns

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Member B. Larson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION PLACING MARY LAMWERS
ON UNREQUESTED LEAVE
OF ABSENCE**

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 adopted a resolution proposing placement of Mary Lamwers on unrequested leave of absence to the extent of .20 FTE, on April 9, 2007, on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave was received by Mary Lamwers by certified mail on April 10, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave contained a statement setting forth the reasons for the proposed placement as well as a statement that she was entitled to a hearing before the school board provided she made a request in writing within fourteen days of receipt of said notice, and that if no hearing was requested within said fourteen day period it constituted acquiescence by Mary Lamwers to the school board's proposed action, and

WHEREAS, no written request of any kind was received by the school board or Superintendent of Schools from Mary Lamwers for a hearing as of April 24, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said failure to make written request for a hearing within fourteen days after receipt of notice of proposed placement on unrequested leave constitutes acquiescence by Mary Lamwers to his placement on unrequested leave to the extent of .20 FTE.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 that Independent School District No. 2142 on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, effective at the end of the 2006-2007 school year on June 30, 2007 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sec. 122A.15, Subd. 10, and Article XXIII, Section 1 of the current Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and EDMNSLCT, without pay or fringe benefits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a notice of placement on unrequested leave, together with a copy of the resolution be forwarded to said teacher personally and that an affidavit of same be placed in her file, together with a copy of the notice and resolution.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Bjerklie and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela and Krog

Absent: Bruns

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Member Krog introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION PLACING RONALD DEMIANIUK
ON UNREQUESTED LEAVE
OF ABSENCE**

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 adopted a resolution proposing placement of Ronald Demianiuk on unrequested leave of absence to the extent of .20 FTE, on April 9, 2007, on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave was received by Ronald Demianiuk by certified mail on April 10, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave contained a statement setting forth the reasons for the proposed placement as well as a statement that he was entitled to a hearing before the school board provided him made a request in writing within fourteen days of receipt of said notice, and that if no hearing was requested within said fourteen day period it constituted acquiescence by Ronald Demianiuk to the school board's proposed action, and

WHEREAS, no written request of any kind was received by the school board or Superintendent of Schools from Ronald Demianiuk for a hearing as of April 24, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said failure to make written request for a hearing within fourteen days after receipt of notice of proposed placement on unrequested leave constitutes acquiescence by Ronald Demianiuk to his placement on unrequested leave to the extent of .20 FTE.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 that Independent School District No. 2142 on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, effective at the end of the 2006-2007 school year on June 30, 2007 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sec. 122A.15, Subd. 10, and Article XXIII, Section 1 of the current Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and EDMNSLCT, without pay or fringe benefits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a notice of placement on unrequested leave, together with a copy of the resolution be forwarded to said teacher personally and that an affidavit of same be placed in his file, together with a copy of the notice and resolution.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member B. Larson and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela and Krog

Absent: Bruns

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Member Krog introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION PLACING SHERI LEE
ON UNREQUESTED LEAVE
OF ABSENCE**

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 adopted a resolution proposing placement of Sheri Lee on unrequested leave of absence to the extent of .20 FTE, on April 9, 2007, on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave was received by Sheri Lee by certified mail on April 10, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave contained a statement setting forth the reasons for the proposed placement as well as a statement that she was entitled to a hearing before the school board provided she made a request in writing within fourteen days of receipt of said notice, and that if no hearing was requested within said fourteen day period it constituted acquiescence by Sheri Lee to the school board's proposed action, and

WHEREAS, no written request of any kind was received by the school board or Superintendent of Schools from Sheri Lee for a hearing as of April 24, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said failure to make written request for a hearing within fourteen days after receipt of notice of proposed placement on unrequested leave constitutes acquiescence by Sheri Lee to her placement on unrequested leave to the extent of .20 FTE.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 that Independent School District No. 2142 on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, effective at the end of the 2006-2007 school year on June 30, 2007 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sec. 122A.15, Subd. 10, and Article XXIII, Section 1 of the current Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and EDMNSLCT, without pay or fringe benefits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a notice of placement on unrequested leave, together with a copy of the resolution be forwarded to said teacher personally and that an affidavit of same be placed in her file, together with a copy of the notice and resolution.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member B. Larson and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela and Krog

Absent: Bruns

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Member B. Larson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION PLACING DONNA ROSATI
ON UNREQUESTED LEAVE
OF ABSENCE**

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 adopted a resolution proposing placement of Donna Rosati on unrequested leave of absence to the extent of .60 FTE, on April 9, 2007, on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave was received by Donna Rosati by certified mail on April 10, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave contained a statement setting forth the reasons for the proposed placement as well as a statement that she was entitled to a hearing before the school board provided she made a request in writing within fourteen days of receipt of said notice, and that if no hearing was requested within said fourteen day period it constituted acquiescence by Donna Rosati to the school board's proposed action, and

WHEREAS, no written request of any kind was received by the school board or Superintendent of Schools from Donna Rosati for a hearing as of April 24, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said failure to make written request for a hearing within fourteen days after receipt of notice of proposed placement on unrequested leave constitutes acquiescence by Donna Rosati to her placement on unrequested leave to the extent of .60 FTE.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 that Independent School District No. 2142 on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, effective at the end of the 2006-2007 school year on June 30, 2007 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sec. 122A.15, Subd. 10, and Article XXIII, Section 1 of the current Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and EDMNSLCT, without pay or fringe benefits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a notice of placement on unrequested leave, together with a copy of the resolution be forwarded to said teacher personally and that an affidavit of same be placed in her file, together with a copy of the notice and resolution.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Krog and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela and Krog

Absent: Bruns

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Member A Larson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION PLACING MICHAEL THYEN
ON UNREQUESTED LEAVE
OF ABSENCE**

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 adopted a resolution proposing placement of Michael Thyen on unrequested leave of absence to the extent of .15 FTE, on April 9, 2007, on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave was received by Michael Thyen by certified mail on April 10, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave contained a statement setting forth the reasons for the proposed placement as well as a statement that he was entitled to a hearing before the school board provided he made a request in writing within fourteen days of receipt of said notice, and that if no hearing was requested within said fourteen day period it constituted acquiescence by Michael Thyen to the school board's proposed action, and

WHEREAS, no written request of any kind was received by the school board or Superintendent of Schools from Michael Thyen for a hearing as of April 24, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said failure to make written request for a hearing within fourteen days after receipt of notice of proposed placement on unrequested leave constitutes acquiescence by Michael Thyen to his placement on unrequested leave to the extent of .15 FTE.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 that Independent School District No. 2142 on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, effective at the end of the 2006-2007 school year on June 30, 2007 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sec. 122A.15, Subd. 10, and Article XXIII, Section 1 of the current Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and EDMNSLCT, without pay or fringe benefits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a notice of placement on unrequested leave, together with a copy of the resolution be forwarded to said teacher personally and that an affidavit of same be placed in his file, together with a copy of the notice and resolution.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Fowler and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela and Krog

Absent: Bruns

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Board member Krog left school board meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Member B. Larson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION PLACING WANDA BEVIS
ON UNREQUESTED LEAVE
OF ABSENCE**

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 adopted a resolution proposing placement of Wanda Bevis on unrequested leave of absence as an ECFE teacher to the extent of .50 FTE, on April 9, 2007, on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave was received by Wanda Bevis by certified mail on April 10, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave contained a statement setting forth the reasons for the proposed placement as well as a statement that she was entitled to a hearing before the school board provided she made a request in writing within fourteen days of receipt of said notice, and that if no hearing was requested within said fourteen day period it constituted acquiescence by Wanda Bevis to the school board's proposed action, and

WHEREAS, no written request of any kind was received by the school board or Superintendent of Schools from Wanda Bevis for a hearing as of April 24, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said failure to make written request for a hearing within fourteen days after receipt of notice of proposed placement on unrequested leave constitutes acquiescence by Wanda Bevis to her placement on unrequested leave as an ECFE teacher to the extent of .50 FTE.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 that Independent School District No. 2142 on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, effective at the end of the 2006-2007 school year on June 30, 2007 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sec. 122A.15, Subd. 10, and Article XXIII, Section 1 of the current Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and EDMNSLCT, without pay or fringe benefits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a notice of placement on unrequested leave, together with a copy of the resolution be forwarded to said ECFE teacher personally and that an affidavit of same be placed in her file, together with a copy of the notice and resolution.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Bjerklie and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, and Salmela

Absent: Bruns, Krog

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Member B. Larson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION PLACING JO ANN KNUTSON
ON UNREQUESTED LEAVE
OF ABSENCE**

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 adopted a resolution proposing placement of JoAnn Knutson on unrequested leave of absence as an ECFE teacher to the extent of .35 FTE, on April 9, 2007, on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave was received by JoAnn Knutson by certified mail on April 10, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave contained a statement setting forth the reasons for the proposed placement as well as a statement that she was entitled to a hearing before the school board provided she made a request in writing within fourteen days of receipt of said notice, and that if no hearing was requested within said fourteen day period it constituted acquiescence by JoAnn Knutson to the school board's proposed action, and

WHEREAS, no written request of any kind was received by the school board or Superintendent of Schools from JoAnn Knutson for a hearing as of April 24, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said failure to make written request for a hearing within fourteen days after receipt of notice of proposed placement on unrequested leave constitutes acquiescence by JoAnn Knutson to her placement on unrequested leave as an ECFE teacher to the extent of .35 FTE.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 that Independent School District No. 2142 on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, effective at the end of the 2006-2007 school year on June 30, 2007 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sec. 122A.15, Subd. 10, and Article XXIII, Section 1 of the current Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and EDMNSLCT, without pay or fringe benefits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a notice of placement on unrequested leave, together with a copy of the resolution be forwarded to said ECFE teacher personally and that an affidavit of same be placed in her file, together with a copy of the notice and resolution.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Bjerklie and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, and Salmela

Absent: Bruns, Krog

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Member Fowler introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION PLACING GAIL ESALA
ON UNREQUESTED LEAVE
OF ABSENCE**

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 adopted a resolution proposing placement of Gail Esala on unrequested leave of absence as an ECFE teacher to the extent of .10 FTE, on April 9, 2007, on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave was received by Gail Esala by certified mail on April 10, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave contained a statement setting forth the reasons for the proposed placement as well as a statement that she was entitled to a hearing before the school board provided she made a request in writing within fourteen days

of receipt of said notice, and that if no hearing was requested within said fourteen day period it constituted acquiescence by Gail Esala to the school board's proposed action, and

WHEREAS, no written request of any kind was received by the school board or Superintendent of Schools from Gail Esala for a hearing as of April 24, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said failure to make written request for a hearing within fourteen days after receipt of notice of proposed placement on unrequested leave constitutes acquiescence by Gail Esala to her placement on unrequested leave as an ECFE teacher to the extent of .10 FTE.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 that Independent School District No. 2142 on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, effective at the end of the 2006-2007 school year on June 30, 2007 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sec. 122A.15, Subd. 10, and Article XXIII, Section 1 of the current Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and EDMNSLCT, without pay or fringe benefits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a notice of placement on unrequested leave, together with a copy of the resolution be forwarded to said ECFE teacher personally and that an affidavit of same be placed in her file, together with a copy of the notice and resolution.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member A. Larson and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, and Salmela

Absent: Bruns, Krog

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Member Bjerklie introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION PLACING ROBIN LICARI
ON UNREQUESTED LEAVE
OF ABSENCE**

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 adopted a resolution proposing placement of Robin Licari on unrequested leave of absence as an ECFE teacher to the extent of .40 FTE, on April 9, 2007, on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave was received by Robin Licari by certified mail on April 10, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave contained a statement setting forth the reasons for the proposed placement as well as a statement that she was entitled to a hearing before the school board provided she made a request in writing within fourteen days of receipt of said notice, and that if no hearing was requested within said fourteen day period it constituted acquiescence by Robin Licari to the school board's proposed action, and

WHEREAS, no written request of any kind was received by the school board or Superintendent of Schools from Robin Licari for a hearing as of April 24, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said failure to make written request for a hearing within fourteen days after receipt of notice of proposed placement on unrequested leave constitutes acquiescence by Robin Licari to her placement on unrequested leave as an ECFE teacher to the extent of .40 FTE.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 that Independent School District No. 2142 on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, effective at the end of the 2006-2007 school year on June 30, 2007 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sec. 122A.15, Subd. 10, and Article XXIII, Section 1 of the current Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and EDMNSLCT, without pay or fringe benefits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a notice of placement on unrequested leave, together with a copy of the resolution be forwarded to said ECFE teacher personally and that an affidavit of same be placed in her file, together with a copy of the notice and resolution.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member B. Larson and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, and Salmela

Absent: Bruns, Krog

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Member B. Larson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION PLACING CONNIE ZGONC
ON UNREQUESTED LEAVE
OF ABSENCE**

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 adopted a resolution proposing placement of Connie Zgonc on unrequested leave of absence as an ECFE teacher to the extent of .70 FTE, on April 9, 2007, on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave was received by Connie Zgonc by certified mail on April 10, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave contained a statement setting forth the reasons for the proposed placement as well as a statement that she was entitled to a hearing before the school board provided she made a request in writing within fourteen days of receipt of said notice, and that if no hearing was requested within said fourteen day period it constituted acquiescence by Connie Zgonc to the school board's proposed action, and

WHEREAS, no written request of any kind was received by the school board or Superintendent of Schools from Connie Zgonc for a hearing as of April 24, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said failure to make written request for a hearing within fourteen days after receipt of notice of proposed placement on unrequested leave constitutes acquiescence by Connie Zgonc to her placement on unrequested leave as an ECFE teacher to the extent of .70 FTE.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 that Independent School District No. 2142 on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, effective at the end of the 2006-2007 school year on June 30, 2007 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sec. 122A.15, Subd. 10, and Article XXIII, Section 1 of the current Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and EDMNSLCT, without pay or fringe benefits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a notice of placement on unrequested leave, together with a copy of the resolution be forwarded to said ECFE teacher personally and that an affidavit of same be placed in her file, together with a copy of the notice and resolution.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Bjerklie and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, and Salmela

Absent: Bruns, Krog

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Member Bjerklie introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION PLACING CLAIRE RUPAR
ON UNREQUESTED LEAVE
OF ABSENCE**

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 adopted a resolution proposing placement of Claire Rugar on unrequested leave of absence as an ECFE teacher to the extent of .70 FTE, on April 9, 2007, on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave was received by Claire Rugar by certified mail on April 10, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said written notice of the proposed placement on unrequested leave contained a statement setting forth the reasons for the proposed placement as well as a statement that she was entitled to a hearing before the school board provided she made a request in writing within fourteen days of receipt of said notice, and that if no hearing was requested within said fourteen day period it constituted acquiescence by Claire Rugar to the school board's proposed action, and

WHEREAS, no written request of any kind was received by the school board or Superintendent of Schools from Claire Rugar for a hearing as of April 24, 2007, and

WHEREAS, said failure to make written request for a hearing within fourteen days after receipt of notice of proposed placement on unrequested leave constitutes acquiescence by Claire Rugar to her placement on unrequested leave as an ECFE teacher to the extent of .70 FTE.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 that Independent School District No. 2142 on the grounds of discontinuance of position, lack of pupils and financial limitations, effective at the end of the 2006-2007 school year on June 30, 2007 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sec. 122A.15, Subd. 10, and Article XXIII, Section 1 of the current Master Agreement between ISD 2142 and EDMNSLCT, without pay or fringe benefits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a notice of placement on unrequested leave, together with a copy of the resolution be forwarded to said ECFE teacher personally and that an affidavit of same be placed in her file, together with a copy of the notice and resolution.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Fowler and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, and Salmela

Absent: Bruns, Krog

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Motion by Bjerklie and seconded by B. Larson to **accept Evelyn Sandberg's letter of retirement / resignation as custodian, effective July 13, 2007.**

Yes- Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela

Against-None

Absent- Bruns, Krog

Motion by B. Larson and seconded by Fowler to **approve the medical leave of absence for Karen L. Shermer, effective June 25, 2007 for 6 weeks**, in accord with Master Agreement, Article 12, Section 1, between ISD 2142 and Teamsters Local #346.

Yes- Bjerklie, Fowler, A. Larson, B. Larson, Salmela

Against-None

Absent- Bruns, Krog

Comments from the board:

Board member B. Larson commented that they had a good Strategic Planning meeting at AlBrook. Mr. Larson said that Gary Friedlieb gave a good report on on-line learning.

Board member Bjerklie indicated that the Cherry Strategic Planning meeting gave him an opportunity to talk to the community about the plan.

Board member Fowler indicated that the board is also concerned about too many students in classrooms. Mr. Fowler commented that they have a good Strategic Plan which needs to be community driven.

Board member A. Larson indicated that the district is looking at the Science program in Tower-Soudan, which could have the potential of a program with the Soudan facility.

Vice Chair Salmela commented that the board has been hearing complaints about classroom sizes over the entire district. The board also knows that there is a need for school buses to be replaced. Currently the district is straining without a referendum. Mr. Salmela wished congratulations to Mr. Ranta.

Dr. Rick thanked all the people that attended the Strategic Planning meetings, however, people will need to be involved in the future. The superintendent intends to get the information on the district website.

Comments from visitors:

Bridget Seelen, AlBrook School health assistant and parent of AlBrook students voiced her concern of large class sizes.

Discussion followed.

The regular school board meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Chairperson

Clerk