

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2142, ST. LOUIS COUNTY SCHOOLS, HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2007.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bjerklie
Foster
Fowler
A. Larson
B. Larson
Salmela

ABSENT: 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 ISD # 2142 District Office on Monday, **November 26, 2007, at 5:00 p.m.**

Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Fowler and seconded by B. Larson to approve agenda.

Superintendent Rick added cancellation of Third Party Billing with School Project.

Board Vice Chair Salmela added this agenda item under enclosure 6.23.

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

Superintendent Charles Rick reported the following: 1.) Today the school board met in a board study session and had a full agenda; 2.) On Monday, December 3, 2007, at 5:00 p.m. there will be a Strategic Planning Committee Meeting.

Assistant Superintendent Sidney L. Simonson reported the following: 1.) Mary Barnes met with Administrators and curriculum mapping teachers today. Ms. Barnes is a consultant from Duluth who is a speaker on District-wide Implementation plans. Ms. Barnes formally worked with the State of Minnesota; 2.) The Assistant Superintendent met with the school board and spoke about the Annual Report on Curriculum, Instruction and Student Achievement and also the District-Wide Implementation Plan.

Motion by Bjerklie and seconded by B. Larson to **approve the consent agenda: November 13, 2007 Regular School Board Meeting Minutes; November 8, 2007 Special School Board Meeting Minutes; 5.2 Policy: Donations:** \$2,000.00 from the Orr All Class Reunion for the Orr School music program; \$2,000.00 from the Orr All Class Reunion for the Orr School Library; \$2,000.00 from the Orr All Class Reunion for the Orr School Art program; \$23.91 from Ohiopyle Prints, Inc. for the Babbitt-Embarrass School; \$500.00 from the Cherry PTSO for a Cherry School ECFE / LR scholarship; \$100.00 from Michael and Jeanette Mellesmoen, M & M Excavating of Embarrass, MN for the Babbitt-Embarrass Community Ed; A used Fender Electric guitar and accessories, valued at \$377.21 from John Wolf of Cook, MN, for the Orr School music program; and a used Ibanez Electric guitar and accessories, valued at \$299.99 from John Wolf of Cook, MN, for the Orr School music program; **5.3 Program:** 2007-2008 Fond du Lac College Concurrent Enrollment Agreement in amount of \$13,200.00; Cherry School Band Trip to Chicago, IL; 2006-2007 Annual Report on Curriculum, Instruction, and Student Achievement.

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

Superintendent Rick explained the reasoning behind adding back the Truth in Taxation Hearing dates. Dr. Rick checked with St. Louis County and the tax statements were already printed with the hearing dates so it was too late to cancel them.

Discussion followed.

Motion by Foster and seconded by Bjerklie to **approve the Truth in Taxation hearing dates for the Initial Hearing on Tuesday, December 4, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. at the ISD # 2142 District Office and Secondary Hearing on Tuesday, December 11, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. at the ISD # 2142 District Office.**

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

Motion by Fowler and seconded by Foster to **approve the District-wide Improvement Plan** as presented.

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

Motion by B. Larson and seconded by Foster to **cancel Third Party Billing with School Project, effective January 2, 2008, and returning to the Northland Special Ed Cooperative / Northland Learning Center for 2007-2008.**

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

Motion by Fowler and seconded by A. Larson to **accept Todd A. Siebert's letter of resignation as a bus driver, effective November 30, 2007.**

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

Motion by Foster and seconded by B. Larson to **accept Veronica Matvey's letter of resignation as health assistant, effective November 27, 2007.**

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

Motion by A. Larson and seconded by Fowler to **offer Jane Bradford a .1 FTE, probationary teaching contract for the 2007-2008 school year, effective October 1, 2007, with terms and conditions for employment in accord with master agreement between ISD # 2142 and SLCTEM.**

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

Motion by Foster and seconded by B. Larson to **offer Debra Hill a .1 FTE, probationary teaching contract for the 2007-2008 school year, effective December 3, 2007, with terms and conditions for employment in accord with master agreement between ISD # 2142 and SLCTEM.**

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

Motion by Foster and seconded by Bjerklie to **hire Joanne Anderson, as an instructional aide, bargaining unit, 6.5 hours per day, Monday, Wednesday and every other Friday, effective September 5, 2007**, with terms and conditions of employment in accord with master agreement between ISD # 2142 and Teamsters Local #346.

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

Motion by Bjerklie and seconded by Foster to **hire Rikki Watson as a van driver, non-bargaining unit, 1 hour per day, for the PM route, 5 days per week, effective October 25, 2007.**

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

Motion by Fowler and seconded by A. Larson to **hire Joseph Kaufenberg as an instructional aide, bargaining unit, 3 hours per day, 5 days per week, effective November 19, 2007**, with terms and conditions of employment in accord with master agreement between ISD # 2142 and Teamsters Local #346.

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

Motion by Fowler and seconded by A. Larson to **hire Melinda Warren as an instructional aide, bargaining unit, 2.5 hours per day, Tuesday, Thursday and every other Friday, effective November 20, 2007**, with terms and conditions of employment in accord with master agreement between ISD # 2142 and Teamsters Local #346.

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

Motion by Foster and seconded by B. Larson to **accept Keith Peterson's letter of retirement / resignation, effective December 16, 2007.**

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

The meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Chairperson

Clerk