

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District #363 was held in the ITV Studio at the Northome and Indus School on Wednesday September 9, 2020.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Brian Dreher at 7:00 pm.

Roll call by Teresa Rud:

Brian Dreher, Chairperson	Scott Mai, Director - Absent
Teresa Rud, Secretary	Shelly Patten, Director
Bob Stueven, Treasurer	Ralph Lewis, Vice Chairperson
Jeremy Tammi, Superintendent	

Pledge of Allegiance

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Shelly Patten, to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Shelly Patten, to approve the minutes, as presented, of the regular meeting of August 12, 2020 and August 26, 2020 Special Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Recognition of Visitors: Public Comment: None

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Ralph Lewis, to approve the Financial Reports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Shelly Patten, to approve the District payment of: \$ 175,993.38 for Accounts Payable invoices, and \$2,286.96 for Extra Payroll on August 28, 2020, and \$1,245.00 for Extra Payroll on September 15, 2020, as presented, for the month. Motion carried unanimously.

Check	Vendor	Amount
	BANK OF MONTREAL	\$77,603.98
89362	AMERICAN, THE	\$44.00
89363	APPLE COMPUTER INC.	\$5,880.00
89364	Battalion Distributing	\$67.30
89365	BEAR COUNTRY CHRONICLES	\$285.00
89366	BEMIDJI WELDERS SUPPLY INC	\$35.00
89367	BITTER, LAURIE	\$145.85
89368	BRADY, MARTZ & ASSOCIATES, PC	\$7,500.00
89369	CENTURY LINK	\$292.22
89370	DEERWOOD BANK	\$15.00
89371	FISHER PETROLEUM	\$58.97
89372	HERC-U-LIFT	\$317.22
89373	HILDI INC	\$3,600.00
89374	HILL'S PLUMBING & HEATING	\$26,850.00
89375	INDUS SCHOOL PETTY CASH ACCT.	\$415.47
89376	JIM'S DISPOSAL SERVICE	\$74.50
89377	JOURNAL, THE	\$446.60
89378	LAKE OF THE WOODS FOODS	\$96.38
89379	LVC COMPANIES, INC	\$434.05
89380	MARCO, INC	\$1,725.05
89381	MASSP	\$48.00
89382	MENARDS-INTERNATIONAL FALLS	\$327.35
89383	MORT'S ELECTRIC, INC.	\$278.00
89384	NORTH ITASCA ELECTRIC COOP.	\$3,207.34
89385	NORTH STAR ELECTRIC COOP	\$2,854.21
89386	NORTHERN LIGHT REGION	\$313.13
89387	NORTHOME RENTAL & HDWR, INC	\$1,024.70
89388	NORTHOME, CITY OF	\$135.30
89389	NORTHWEST SERVICE COOP.	\$50.00
89390	PAUL BUNYAN COMMUNICATIONS	\$299.25
89391	POXLEITNER CONCRETE LLC	\$26,661.00
89392	QUILL CORPORATION	\$1,032.45

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89393	REGION 1	\$214.36
89394	ROCHESTER TELECOM SYSTEMS INC	\$57.44
89395	SCHENHEIT, EARL	\$90.00
89396	SCHOLASTIC	\$938.08
89397	SUPER ONE	\$105.64
89398	US FOODSERVICE INC TM	\$5,370.65
89399	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$142.56
89400	VOYAGEURS COMMUNICATIONS	\$3,399.10
89401	WALDO, RONALD	\$100.00
89402	WALTERS, DAVE	\$90.00
89403	WICKUM, ELIZABETH	\$3,368.23
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		\$175,993.38
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Extra Payroll: Paid: August 28, 2020

Affield, Bonnie	COVID Meetings	\$372.20
Dreher, Brian	Board Meeting	\$120.00
Furuseth, Joe	COVID Meetings	\$50.00
Lewis, Ralph	Board Meeting	\$50.00
Lindner, Kim	COVID Meetings	\$230.00
Mai, Scoot	Board Meeting	\$50.00
Patten, Shelly	Board Meeting	\$50.00
Rud, Teresa	Board meeting	\$95.00
Schenhiet, Ray	Community Ed Weight Room	\$120.00
Stueven, Bob	Board meeting	\$120.00
Trisko, Juleen	Back To School Newspaper	\$220.00
Turban, Karen	Food Service Workshops	\$809.76
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Total Extra Payroll		\$2,286.96
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Extra Payroll: Paid: September 15, 2020

Dreher, Brian	Special Board Meeting	\$50.00
Fontana, Monica	COVID Meetings	\$340.00
Lewis, Ralph	Special Board Meeting	\$50.00
Mai, Scoot	Special Board Meeting	\$50.00
Patten, Shelly	Special Board Meeting	\$50.00
Rud, Teresa	Special Board Meeting	\$50.00
Schenhiet, Ray	Community Ed Weight Room	\$100.00
Stueven, Bob	Special Board meeting & Sports Coop	\$100.00
Wickum, Elizabeth	COVID Meetings	\$455.00
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Total Extra Payroll		\$1,245.00
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Moved by Shelly Patten, seconded by Ralph Lewis, to approve Donation received, from the Rotary Club of International Falls \$1,250.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Shelly Patten, to approve the resignation of David Walters, bus driver at the Indus School. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Shelly Patten, seconded by Bob Stueven, to approve the resignation of Laurie Lundmark, PARA at the Northome School. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Shelly Patten, to approve the hiring of Kaylee Fisher, PARA at the Northome School. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Shelly Patten, to approve the hiring of Jill Reinartz, PARA at the Northome School. Motion carried unanimously.

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Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Ralph Lewis, to approve the hiring of Daniel Patten as part-time custodian at the Northome School. Motion carried. Abstained Shelly Patten.

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Ralph Lewis, to approve the Coaches Letter of Agreement, as present by Superintendent Tammi. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Shelly Patten, to approve the PSEO agreement with Rainy River Community College for the 2020-2021 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Shelly Patten, seconded by Ralph Lewis, to approve the first reading of Policy #912, Political Campaigns and Activities. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Ralph Lewis, to approve Policy #537, Wellness Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Shelly Patten, to approve the seconded reading of Policy #539, Title IX, Sex, Nondiscrimination. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Ralph Lewis, to approve the School Perceptions survey. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Reports: Where presented by Superintendent Mr. Tammi.

Indus Principal Report: August 25 was COVID training for our paras and CPI training. August 27 was COVID training for our certified staff. August 31 training with Northwest Service Coop with Gina and Jake ELL, reading literacy, Mental Health, and Suicide awareness and prevention. September 1 was PBIS training with Northwest Service Coop. September 2 was an open house along with 7th-grade orientation and online training for our Indus students. Went very well! The first day of school went well and it was nice to see everyone again! Cross Country is going well!- Our 7th grader Anne Marie Peterson took 3rd out of 53 in Thief River last Thursday. She was 6 seconds behind the 1st place runner. They have a meet tomorrow in Roseau and on Monday at Warroad. I would like to thank everyone for a great start of the year. It was so nice to see everyone again in the building. We are working hard to keep everyone safe so can continue in-person schooling.

Northome Principal Report: Back to School. The first day back was great. Students seemed to be excited to be back with their friends and teachers. Students have been very receptive to the new routines (hallways, face coverings, pods, breakfast/lunch, transportation). Staff have been very flexible and creative with scheduling and routines. Corey has been a rockstar preparing and organizing the technology for students. We have had multiple students decide to return to in person learning with us. We continue to follow this year's motto of, "Mustangs, we got this!" Volleyball and Football practices for grades 9-12 will begin on Monday, September 14th, from 3:25-5:30 M-Th. There will be 12 practice dates total. Northome athletes will stay in Northome and Kelliher athletes will stay in Kelliher with coaches at both sites. NWEA MAP testing will begin September 21st. The schedule is not finalized yet. Students will stay in their homerooms to complete this on their individual devices. Designated times will be available for distance learners to come in to test with a proctor.

School Board Report: None

Superintendent Report: As both principals have stated the school year is off to a great start. Our current enrollment numbers compared to the same time last year looks like a decrease of 7 students. Although we do not like to see a decrease enrollment, I was thinking this number was going to be greater with the number of families that chose homeschooling or different learning options based off of the Covid-19 pandemic and the situation we are in. Students and staff are following the mask mandate and doing a good job of social distancing. We were informed on Tuesday that MDE, along with the USDA will provide free breakfast and lunches for our students through December 31st. Dave Walters has retired and we have his position posted 14 days. We will try to fill this with a district driver, but I anticipate this to be a challenge to find anyone. Brian Rienke has been contacted and we would look to contract out with him if we cannot find a suitable fit. Currently, Joy Nelson has been helping us out and Soren said he could help drive when needed as well. We have our CARES ESSER money from the state and have been using this to help purchase items related to Covid-19 expenses. I have also sent in a request for additional CARES funding through Koochiching County. I have not heard back how much of the request the county will be

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able to support. Levy information has come out from the state this morning and I will be working with Matt and Shelby from Ehlers to set our LOR (Local Optional Revenue) that will then need to be approved by the board at a special meeting on September 23rd. Once approved this will be submitted to the County Auditor prior to September 30th. I was informed during our weekly superintendent meeting that the Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL) at their August 4th directors meeting voted to substantially increase the membership fees districts will pay each year. The fee for Indus school will increase from \$1,146.00 to \$2,146.00 and Northome's fee will increase \$1,000 from \$1,961.00 to \$2,961.00. To my understanding this is not a one-time fee and will happen on a yearly basis. I will be travelling to Indus tomorrow to visit with their staff.

Special board meeting will be held Wednesday, September 23, 2020 at 7:00 pm to Certify the Levy.

The next regular monthly board meeting will be held October 14, 2020 at 7:00 pm in the ITV Studio's at the Northome and Indus School.

Moved by Shelly Patten, seconded by Ralph Lewis, to adjourn at 7:43 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Dreher, Chairperson

Teresa Rud, Clerk

Bob Stueven, Treasurer