

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District #363 was held in the ITV Studios at the Indus and Northome School on Wednesday, February 15, 2023.

The meeting was called to order by Bob Stueven at 7:00 pm.

Roll call by Doug Jourdan: (cross out if absent)

Bob Stueven, Chairman

Scott Mai, Treasury

Doug Jourdan, Clerk

Jeremy Tammi, Superintendent

Ralph Lewis, Director

Emily Lindley, Director

Malisa Schue, Director

Pledge of Allegiance

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai to approve the addendum items. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai to approve the minutes, as presented, of the regular meeting of January 11, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Recognition of Visitors / Public Comments: Willow Pollard, Corey Kuhlman, Missy Hasbargen, Amber Peterson, Mackenzie Lehn, Betsy Gerard, Alissa Carlson. Missy brought forth her concern with Reinke no longer providing transportation. Further Indus transportation was discussed later in the meeting.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Malisa Schue to approve the financial reports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai to approve the District payment of: \$229,566.72 and Indus and Northome School Activity account of \$6,493.21 for Accounts Payable invoices and \$6,013.79 for Extra Payroll on 1/30/2023 and \$8,613.84 for Extra Payroll on 2/15/23, as presented, for the month. Motion carried unanimously.

| Check | Vendor                             | Amount       |
|-------|------------------------------------|--------------|
|       | BANK OF MONTREAL                   | \$ 10,511.52 |
| 91147 | ACT, INC                           | \$ 16.00     |
| 91148 | ARCHITECTURAL RESOURCES, INC       | \$ 162.00    |
| 91149 | BATTALION DISTRIBUTING             | \$ 15.00     |
| 91150 | BEMIDJI REG. INTERDIST. COUNC.     | \$ 5,168.80  |
| 91151 | BEMIDJI WELDERS SUPPLY INC         | \$ 38.50     |
| 91152 | BIMBO BAKERIES, INC                | \$ 154.35    |
| 91153 | BINKLEY, AMANDA                    | \$ 500.00    |
| 91154 | BIRCHDALE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LLC | \$ 271.25    |
| 91155 | BONDED LOCK OF BEMIDJI, INC.       | \$ 175.00    |
| 91156 | BRENT POXLEITNER                   | \$ 500.00    |
| 91157 | CENTURY LINK                       | \$ 188.88    |
| 91158 | EHLERS AND ASSOCIATES, INC         | \$ 850.00    |
| 91159 | FISHER PETROLEUM                   | \$ 45.54     |
| 91160 | HAUGEN, CRAIG                      | \$ 140.00    |
| 91161 | HILL'S PLUMBING & HEATING          | \$ 3,917.97  |
| 91162 | INDECK LADYSMITH, LLC              | \$ 9,492.35  |
| 91163 | ITA BEL KOO D A C                  | \$ 621.36    |
| 91164 | JIM'S DISPOSAL SERVICE             | \$ 268.85    |
| 91165 | JOSTEN'S, INC.                     | \$ 254.65    |
| 91166 | KANTOR ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC       | \$ 1,061.31  |
| 91167 | KARL HANSON TRUCKING, INC          | \$ 2,900.30  |
| 91168 | LAKE OF THE WOODS FOODS            | \$ 39.99     |
| 91169 | LAKES COUNTRY SERVICE COOP         | \$ 195.00    |
| 91170 | LECLAIR, PAUL                      | \$ 103.69    |
| 91171 | MAGGERT TRANSPORTATION INC.        | \$ 66,171.20 |
| 91172 | MARCO, INC                         | \$ 859.31    |
| 91173 | MENARDS-INTERNATIONAL FALLS        | \$ 52.12     |
| 91174 | MOEN, JENNY                        | \$ 37.50     |

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| 91175         | MORGAN, VON                          | \$ | 76.18         |
| 91176         | MSBA                                 | \$ | 142.90        |
| 91177         | NASSP/NHS/NJHS                       | \$ | 385.00        |
| 91178         | NORTH ITASCA ELECTRIC COOP.          | \$ | 7,371.85      |
| 91179         | NORTH STAR ELECTRIC COOP             | \$ | 11,597.63     |
| 91180         | NORTHERN LIGHT REGION                | \$ | 132.80        |
| 91181         | NORTHOME RENTAL & HDWR, INC          | \$ | 62.06         |
| 91182         | NORTHOME SCHOOL ACTIVITY             | \$ | 13,176.03     |
| 91183         | NORTHOME, CITY OF                    | \$ | 875.08        |
| 91184         | NORTHWEST CHEMICAL SALES             | \$ | 119.96        |
| 91185         | NORTHWEST SERVICE COOP.              | \$ | 35.00         |
| 91186         | PACE ANALYTICAL                      | \$ | 316.47        |
| 91187         | PAUL BUNYAN COMMUNICATIONS           | \$ | 255.03        |
| 91188         | PERFORMANCE FOODSERVICE -TWIN CITIES | \$ | 3,550.30      |
| 91189         | QUILL CORPORATION                    | \$ | 35.98         |
| 91190         | R Store, Inc                         | \$ | 112.75        |
| 91191         | RAINY LAKE GAZETTE                   | \$ | 337.50        |
| 91192         | READING & MATH, INC                  | \$ | 1,500.00      |
| 91193         | REGION 1                             | \$ | 43.99         |
| 91194         | REGION 8                             | \$ | 105.00        |
| 91195         | SANDSTROM'S                          | \$ | 1,268.00      |
| 91196         | SEPTIC CHECK                         | \$ | 350.00        |
| 91197         | SHANNON'S, INC                       | \$ | 231.52        |
| 91198         | SKUTT CERAMIC PRODUCTS, INC          | \$ | 397.74        |
| 91199         | STALKER SPORTS FLOORS                | \$ | 34,959.00     |
| 91200         | SUPER ONE                            | \$ | 194.49        |
| 91201         | TECH CHECK, LLC                      | \$ | 605.64        |
| 91202         | TOOLBOX PROJECT                      | \$ | 972.40        |
| 91203         | US FOODSERVICE INC TM                | \$ | 14,374.58     |
| 91204         | VOYAGEUR CHARTER, INC                | \$ | 31,269.40     |
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| Total Payment |                                      |    | \$ 229,566.72 |
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Extra Payroll: Paid: January 30, 2023

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| Johnson, Janet    | Meeting                  | \$4.55     |
| Jourdan, Doug     | Board Meeting            | \$95.00    |
| Kess, Kathleen    | Sub Teacher              | \$77.16    |
| Krause, Shelley   | Sub Teacher & Sub Office | \$930.00   |
| Kuhlman, Corey    | Sub Custodian            | \$390.00   |
| LeClaire, Paul    | Activity Driver          | \$306.00   |
| Lewis, Ralph      | Board Meeting            | \$50.00    |
| Lindley, Emily    | Board Meeting            | \$50.00    |
| Lorenzen, Mike    | Sub Teacher              | \$135.00   |
| Mai, Scott        | Board Meeting            | \$120.00   |
| Molnar, Anastasia | Sub During Prep          | \$40.00    |
| Nelson, Linda     | Activity Driver          | \$51.00    |
| Nissen, Terri     | Sub Teacher              | \$135.00   |
| Nosan, Shelby     | Sub Teacher              | \$1,701.91 |
| Peterson, Amber   | Activity Driver          | \$39.17    |
| Peterson, Colyn   | Sub Custodian            | \$240.00   |
| Reinarz, Jill     | Meeting                  | \$12.21    |
| Schue, Malisa     | Board Meeting            | \$50.00    |
| Sjoblom, Jaime    | Sub Teacher              | \$135.00   |
| Skoe, Jamie       | Sub Para                 | \$907.50   |
| Stueven, Bob      | Board Meeting            | \$120.00   |

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| Szydel, Ashley                         | Sub Teacher  | <u>\$424.29</u>          |
|  | Total  | <u><u>\$6,013.79</u></u> |
| Extra Payroll: Paid: February 15, 2023 |  |                          |
| Bolhius, LeAnn                         | Sub During Prep                                    | \$60.00                  |
| Cain, Tammi                            | Dance Chaperone                                    | \$45.00                  |
| Decker, Dave                           | Budget   | \$350.00                 |
| Hasbargen, Patty                       | Extra Kitchen Time                                 | \$28.23                  |
| Holte, Janet                           | Dance Chaperone                                    | \$45.00                  |
| Kess, Kathleen                         | Sub Teacher  | \$540.00                 |
| Krause, Shelley                        | Sub Teacher  | \$810.00                 |
| Kucera, Char                           | Sub Teacher  | \$270.00                 |
| Kuhlman, Corey                         | Sub Custodian                                      | \$461.25                 |
| LeClaire, Paul                         | Activity Driver                                    | \$323.00                 |
| Lorenzen, Mike                         | Sub Teacher  | \$77.16                  |
| Maggert, Travis                        | Snow Plow  | \$175.00                 |
| Molnar, Anastasia                      | Sub During Prep & Tutor Mentor                     | \$90.00                  |
| Nelson, Linda                          | Activity Driver & Milk Pick Up                     | \$82.00                  |
| Nosan, Shelby                          | Sub Teacher  | \$1,701.91               |
| Olesen, Soren                          | Activity Driver, Dance Chaperone & Sub During Prep | \$106.00                 |
| Peterson, Colyn                        | Sub Custodian                                      | \$240.00                 |
| Plotts, Michelle                       | Sub During Prep                                    | \$40.00                  |
| Robar, Stacy                           | Sub During Prep                                    | \$40.00                  |
| Schneider, James                       | Tutor Mentor, Sub During Prep & Robotics Coach     | \$1,208.50               |
| Simonson, Kaylee                       | Sub During Prep                                    | \$20.00                  |
| Skoe, Jamie                            | Sub Para   | \$600.00                 |
| Steinbach, Myndi                       | Extra Para Time                                    | \$16.21                  |
| Szydel, Ashley                         | Sub Teacher  | \$135.00                 |
| Trisko, Juleen                         | Sub During Prep                                    | \$40.00                  |
| Turban, Karen                          | Extra Kitchen Time                                 | \$61.08                  |
| Waller, Marti                          | Robotics Coach                                     | <u>\$1,048.50</u>        |
|  | Total  | <u><u>\$8,613.84</u></u> |

Moved by Malisa Schue, seconded by Emily Lindley to accept the donations received from Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club for \$1,450.00 to Northome German Club, Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club for \$200.00 to Northome Washington DC Trip, Dianne Wiley for \$20.00 to Northome Student Council, Shannon's Inc for \$50.00 to Indus Prom, Friend's Garbage Service for \$100.00 to Indus Prom, Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club for \$500.00 to Northome Lego League and Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club for \$500.00 to Northome Prom. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Emily Lindley to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Emily Lindley to approve Hiring of Indus FT Paraeducator Ian Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Malisa Schue to approve Retirement of Indus Social Studies Teacher JoAnn Parish. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Malisa Schue to approve Adding New Board Chairperson Robert Stueven & New Board Clerk Douglas Jourdan to District's Bank Accounts. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Scott Mai, seconded by Ralph Lewis approve Northome Senior Class Trip. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Malisa Schue, seconded by Ralph Lewis to approve Indus Senior Class Trip. Motion carried unanimously.

Indus Transportation Contract Discussion. Notes: Reinke Bus Company will no longer be serving the Indus' transportation needs beginning school year 2023-24. Indus transportation bids are open until March 31, 2023. No bids have been received at this time. Maggert Transportation offered to help provide buses but drivers would still be needed. There are two district buses available. Scott Mai suggested advertising for bus drivers. Superintendent Jeremy Tammi offered to post job positions for bus drivers via newspaper and Facebook. Indus has 3 bus routes along with 1 van route and would be in need of four drivers, possibly three, considering Indus Para Steve Kramer currently drives bus for Reinke Bus Company.

FY23 Budget Discussion. Notes: FY23 revised budget was presented by Superintendent Jeremy Tammi which included ESSER revenue, a decrease in anticipated timber sales and a final roofing cost. Northome and Indus schools indoor air quality projects, a new Northome elevator, a Northome gymnasium scoreboard and the Indus wastewater treatment facility needing to be decommissioned were also discussed.

Moved by Malisa Schue, seconded by Emily Lindley to approve Resolution Directing Administration to Make Recommendations Regarding the Reduction and/or Discontinuance of Programs and Positions and Reasons Therefore. A roll call was made by Doug Jourdan. Bob Stueven, Doug Jourdan, Ralph Lewis, Emily Lindley and Malisa Schue voted in favor. Scott Mai voted not in favor. Motion carried with a 5-1 vote.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai to approve FY24 Achievement and Integration Revenue Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report: None.

Indus Principal's Report: Congratulations to our Spelling Bee Winner, Aiden Smith who represented South Koochiching County School District in Thief River at the regional Spelling Bee. Aiden attended the spelling bee and took 8th place. Falls Hunger Coalition is now Koochiching Food Access. Janet Hasbargen retired after 36 years of service. Her last day was Feb. 10th. The school held a small celebration in her honor. The event was well attended and all students helped clean up after the ceremony was over. Mrs. Holte took our band students to Backus Band Days in International Falls. (2/15) The students got the opportunity to perform with other local schools and learn what it is like to play in a large ensemble. The freezer compressor on our large lunch room freezer quit working on the 13th. We had to scramble to save our food. The part will be replaced on Wednesday the 15th. Students have been cross country skiing and ice skating! It has been so nice out we are enjoying the weather while it lasts!

Northome Principal's Report: Last week we had Homecoming. Our theme this year was VS. Winner Takes All. Student Council hosted a week full of fun and challenging activities. I want to thank everyone that helped out throughout the week as well as those that supervised the dance. Fun was had by all. We had our All School Celebration last week as well. Students were recognized for having Positive Attitudes and showing Kindness. Last week was School Counselor Appreciation Week. I would like to thank Christine Lundin for everything she does to support our students so each of them can be successful. Next Wednesday is Bus Driver Appreciation Day! We will be showing our appreciation to our amazing bus drivers with cards and treats. I want to thank each of them for getting our students to and from school safely each day. This week is Kindness Week, each day students and staff have the opportunity to fill out a heart to recognize someone showing kindness. Names are drawn each day and recognized on the announcements. Every day is a good day to be kind. February is I Love to Read Month. Our elementary students have been celebrating all month so far with mystery readers, flashlight reading and lots of reading challenges. They are working to read enough books so their book chain reaches my office. If they are successful with this, they will have a big surprise coming their way. The Golden Apple winner for the month is Karl Kallio. He has encountered some of the grossest jobs but has dealt with it so no one else had to. Karl takes pride in his work which is obvious by how great the school looks every day. Take a moment and check out the trophy case. He just got done making that look perfect!

Board Report: None.

Superintendent's Report: A compressor went out on the Indus Freezer over this past weekend. A part has been ordered with an estimated cost of part replacement and labor around \$3,500 and the plan was to have the compressor repaired today. In the meantime, a chest freezer was purchased from Menards to store the frozen goods. Northome school and the City of Northome had an unplanned power outage on Monday, February 13th. The power went out around 10:30AM. We were in communication with North Itasca throughout the morning and they could not give a time frame when the power would be restored. I made the decision around 12:00 to have an early dismissal since there were no lights in the building and water pressure was an issue. Northome students were dismissed at 1:00PM. The Northome School had a roof leak with the warmer temperatures. I contacted Nelson's Roofing and they send a crew up to take a look on Monday. They reported that they found

some T-Seams around a drain that needed additional caulking. Our school district has registered for three Virtual Career Fairs: Minnesota Educators Career Fair on March 23rd and April 13<sup>th</sup>, UMD/UofW Superior Virtual Career Fair on April 6<sup>th</sup>. Waiting on a response regarding Saint Cloud's availability for March 3rd. I would like to thank Ms. Mayer, Mr. Bowles and Ms. Robar for their willingness to help out with the Career Fairs. We are anticipating a number of openings during the 2023-2024 school year and our hope is by attending some of these events we can recruit candidates to fill the positions. With our school cancellation today, our Indus school will need to make up a student contact day since we have exhausted the allocated 5 eLearning Days and the two built in "snow days" in our school calendar. I have been in contact with Ms. Gerard and we are looking at the March 6<sup>th</sup> professional development date as a possible student contact make-up date.

The next regular monthly board meeting will be held on March 8, 2023 at Indus and by ITV.

Moved by Scott Mai, seconded by Ralph Lewis to adjourn at 7:57 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

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Bob Stueven, Chairperson

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Doug Jourdan, Clerk

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Scott Mai, Treasurer