

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Greenbush Middle River ISD 2683

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Greenbush Middle River ISD 2683 was held Monday, June 20, 2016, beginning at 7:30 PM in the Greenbush.

1. Call to Order at 7:36 P.M.
2. Roll Call
 2. 1. Roll Call: Carrie Jo Howard, Shane Kilen, Joseph Melby, Jeff Nelson, Paul Robinson, Kurt Stenberg, Laurie Stromsodt
 2. 2. Administration: Tom Jerome, Sharon Schultz
Other attendees: Terry Howard, Colleen Ness, Verna Flaten, Janice Wollin, Mary Stauffenecker, Sherri Jerome, Cathy Schenkey, Ryan Bergeron, Arlette Pearson, Mark Stromsodt, Cooky Kujava
3. Approval of Agenda
 3. 1. A motion was made by Paul Robinson, seconded by Joe Melby and UC that, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the agenda of the June 20th, 2016 Regular Board Meeting as amended.
4. Minutes
 4. 1. A motion was made by Carrie Jo Howard, seconded by Kurt Stenberg and UC that, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the preceding regular meeting of May 16th, 2016.
 4. 2. A motion was made by Laurie Stromsodt, seconded by Kurt Stenberg and UC that, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the preceding special meeting of May 13th, 2016.
5. Business Services
 5. 1. A motion was made by Kurt Stenberg, seconded by Shane Kilen and UC that, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the payment of bills check #32317 through check #32445 for a total of \$204,110.05 and Purchasing Card electronic payments dated May 4th, 2016 and Electronic Funds Transfers as submitted.
 5. 2. Treasurer's Report
6. Reports
 6. 1. Listening Session
Colleen Ness addressed comment made by Carrie Jo Howard at April Board Meeting and reported in April Minutes. Ness felt that the comment regarding the treatment of Eldon Sparby and his family should not have been made and

should not have been reported in the Minutes of the regular April meeting. Ness was further concerned about the “negativity” in the communities since the vote for a new school. Board member Howard addressed Ness, stating that she stood by her comments and would not retract them.

A motion was made by Joe Melby, seconded by Laurie Stromsodt that, BE IT RESOLVED comments as identified by Colleen Ness, reported in the previously approved April Minutes, made by Board member Howard should be taken out of Minutes. Upon a vote, Melby and Stromsodt voting “Aye”, Stenberg, Nelson, Robinson, Kilen and Howard voting “Nay”. Motion fails

7. Communications

7. 1. Superintendent

7. 1. a. Greenbush Middle River School District Enrollment

- As of May 26th, 2016: Greenbush Middle River School District enrollment is: 408
- Greenbush School: Grades K-5/9-12 = 244
- Middle River School: Grades K-3/5-8 = 164
- Enrollment in May of 2015 academic year was 419
- *See attached

7. 1. b. Buildings and Grounds

- Bid has been obtained for gym floor repairs at the Greenbush School site.
- *See attached

Upon a motion by Carrie Jo Howard, seconded by Shane Kilen and UC, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education proceed with gym floor repairs as presented with a bid by Brian Bulduc.

7. 1. c. Greenbush Middle River School District Budget to Actual expenditure report

- As requested by board member, document will be provided on monthly basis.
- Budget consists of 5 fund balances:
 - o 01 General Fund
 - o 02 Food Service
 - o 04 Community Services
 - o 07 Debt Redemption
 - o 08 Scholarships
 - o 09 Student Activities
- *see attached

7. 1. d. 2015 - 2016 Greenbush Middle River School District Enrollment

- Enrollment at the conclusion of the 2015 - 2016 academic year

was 408

- *see attached

7. 1. e. Projected 2016 - 2017 Greenbush Middle River Enrollment

- The Greenbush Middle River School District graduated 37 students in May of 2016.
- Anticipated Kindergarten enrollment in August of 2016 is approximately 21 students.
- Based on outgoing Seniors and incoming Kindergarten students only....the Greenbush Middle River School Districts is projected to decline in enrollment by 16 students.
- 2016 - 2017 anticipated enrollment is 392 K-12 Students

7. 1. f. Greenbush Middle River School District Staffing

- Administration is recommending Trish Waage as Special Education Teacher
- Mrs. Schultz and Mr. Sparby interviewed Mrs. Waage
- Mrs. Waage previously taught in the MCC School District

7. 1. g. Greenbush Middle River FIRST Robotics State Champions

- FIRST Robotics participated in a Minnesota State High School League sponsored State Championship competition May 21st in Minneapolis.
- The Greenbush Middle River FIRST Robotics team was claimed the State Championship while competing against the 30 highest ranking Minnesota Robotics programs based on previous regional competitions.
- The GMR Robotics team members included Irondale-New Brighton and New London Spicer.

7. 1. h. BGMR Softball

- Won Section 8A Championship
- Advanced to the Minnesota State High School League Softball Tournament
- After winning Quarterfinal and Semi Final game the Gators eventually were defeated the State Championship game.
- BGMR Gator Softball team finished Second in Minnesota State High School League Class A Softball
- Gator Softball team is coached by Kent Christian and assisted by Dave Blazek and Meghan Kvien

7. 1. i. BGMR Baseball

- The BGMR Gator Baseball team won the Section 8A Championship
- Advanced to the Minnesota State High School League Class A Baseball Tournament
- The Gators were defeated in the quarterfinal game 3-2 by the number one ranked team in State of Minnesota.
- In the consolation semifinal, the Gators were defeated 4-0 by Legacy Christian Academy.
- BGMR Gator Baseball team is coached by Nathan Voll and assisted by Todd Bergeron at the Varsity level as well as Jim Mack.

7. 1. j. Principal/Dean of Student Position

- The Greenbush Middle River School District advertised for a Principal and Dean of Students
- The District received applications for both positions
- Interviews have been scheduled for Tuesday as well as Wednesday

7. 1. k. 2016-2017 Projected Budget

- Expenditures and Revenues have been reviewed and projected
- Continued analysis is required prior to finalizing projected budget for board approval
- Budget will be presented for board approval prior to end of June

7. 1. l. Greenbush Middle River School District Insurance

- Currently in the process of reviewing insurance policies (property/automobile) as it relates to coverage, premiums, values, etc....
- Options will be reviewed, presented and insurance finalized prior to end of month of June

7. 1. m. Greenbush Middle River School District Annual Audit

- Eide Bailly is scheduled to conduct annually district audit during the month of August for Fiscal Year 2016
- Eide Bailly has conducted district audits for the past 3 years.

7. 1. n. Greenbush Middle River School District Call for Bread and Milk Bid

- Annually the Greenbush Middle River School District for Bread and Milk
- Bids will be reviewed and approved during the July Board Meeting.

7. 1. o. Minnesota Rural Education Association

- Greenbush Middle River School District is currently a member of the Minnesota Rural Education Association
- MREA advocates exclusively for Greater Minnesota School Districts
- MREA provides guidance and information relating to best practice within education, professional development opportunities as well as legislative policy.
- MREA provides a voice at the Minnesota Legislature advocating for policy, testifying before committees as well as informing legislators on the issues that impact rural education.
- Annual board approval is required to renew membership in the Minnesota Rural Education Association.

7. 1. p. Special Board Meeting

- A special board meeting is required prior to end of month.
- Tentative agenda items will include but may not be limited to the following:

°2016 - 2017 Budget

°Approval of recommendation of candidate for Principal or Dean of Students as well as Athletic Director

°Selection of District Insurance Provider

7.1.q. A student in our school district has passed away. The family is requesting use of our school gym on Friday, July 1st, at 3:00 pm for Memorial Service. It was the consensus of the Board to allow this use of our facilities.

7.1.r. There have been no applicants for the vacated FACS position. A staff member may move into FACS position with waiver.

8. Principal Report

8. 1. Principal Schultz – nothing to report.

9. Proposed Resolutions June 20, 2016

9. 1. A motion was made by Laurie Stromsodt, seconded by Kurt Stenberg, and UC that, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Education of District 2683 approves the hiring of Trish Waage as a Special Education teacher.
9. 2. A motion was made by Carrie Jo Howard, seconded by Paul Robinson, and UC that, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Education of District 2683 accept the resignation of Angela Westman, evening custodian.
9. 3. A motion was made by Joe Melby, seconded by Carrie Jo Howard, and UC that, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Education of District 2683 to renew annual membership with the Minnesota Rural Education Association.
9. 4. A motion was made by Laurie Stromsodt, seconded by Paul Robinson, and UC that, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Education of District 2683 call for bids for milk and bread to be purchased during the 2016 - 2017 academic year.
9. 5. A motion was made by Carrie Jo Howard, seconded by Kurt Stenberg, and UC that, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Education of District 2683 approve Eide Bailly to conduct annual district audit.
9. 6. A motion was made by Paul Robinson, seconded by Joe Melby, and UC that, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of District 2683 conduct a Special Board Meeting on the following Date: 6/28/16 and Time: 7:30 am in Greenbush.
9. 7. A motion was made by Jeff Nelson, seconded by Kurt Stenberg, and UC that, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of District 2683 accept the following donation(s).

- Central Boiler, INC. to GMR FIRST ROBOTICS \$2,000.00
- Brad and Stacy Dahl to GMR School Library \$20.00
- MIDDLE RIVER SPORTSMEN'S CLUB, INC. to GMR FCCLA \$150.00

10. Adjournment

Motion: Carrie Jo Howard

Second: Joe Melby

11. Communications

- Regular School Board Meeting - July 18th, 7:30 p.m. at Middle River