

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, March 10, 2021.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Brian Dreher at 7:03 pm.

Roll call by Teresa Rud

Brian Dreher, Chairperson
Scott Mai, Treasurer
Bob Stueven, Director
Jeremy Tammi, Superintendent

Douglas Jourdan, Director
Teresa Rud, Clerk
Ralph Lewis, Vice Chairperson

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Ralph Lewis, to approve the minutes, as presented, of the regular meeting of February 10, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

Recognition of Visitors / Public Comments: Jack Ungerecht

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

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Scott Mai, to approve the District payment of: \$138,643.18 for Accounts Payable invoices, and \$4,845.24 for Extra Payroll on 2/26/2021 and \$3,106.93 for extra payroll on 3/15/2021, as presented, for the month. Motion carried unanimously.

Check	Vendor	Amount
	BANK OF MONTREAL	\$29,124.47
	NORTHOME SCHOOL PETTY CASH	\$1,568.36
89611	CENTURY LINK	-\$296.56
89712	VOYAGEUR CHARTER COACH	-\$15,113.02
89723	ALEXANDRIA TECH & COMM. COLLEGE	\$4,422.83
89724	BEAR COUNTRY CHRONICLES	\$40.00
89725	BEMIDJI REG. INTERDIST. COUNC.	\$4,374.82
89726	BIMBO BAKERIES, INC	\$178.35
89727	BIRCHDALE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LLC	\$656.25
89728	BLACKDUCK GOLF COURSE	\$603.98
89729	BODEM, MCKENZIE	\$99.89
89730	CENTURY LINK	\$299.51
89731	COUNTRY MARKET #574	\$20.38
89732	FISHER PETROLEUM	\$8,027.07
89733	FORESTLAND SALES AND SERVICE	\$24.00
89734	FURTHER	\$64.80
89735	H. BROOKS & COMPANY	\$551.80
89736	INDECK LADYSMITH, LLC	\$4,515.85
89737	INDUS SCHOOL PETTY CASH ACCT.	\$366.92
89738	INFINITY ONLINE	\$5,450.00
89739	JIM'S DISPOSAL SERVICE	\$245.00
89740	JOURNAL, THE	\$763.66
89741	KANTOR ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC	\$194.00
89742	KARL HANSON TRUCKING, INC	\$2,462.00
89743	KENNEDY & GRAVEN, CHARTERED	\$202.50
89744	KNUTSON, FLYNN & DEANS, INC	\$1,210.00
89745	LAKESHORE LEARNING MATERIALS	\$11.48
89746	LEWIS, LOIS	\$58.78
89747	MAGGERT TRANSPORTATION INC.	\$19,796.86
89748	MARCO, INC	\$1,823.58
89749	MENARDS-INTERNATIONAL FALLS	\$297.28
89750	NELSON, CATHY	\$50.00

89751	NORTH ITASCA ELECTRIC COOP.	\$7,358.54
89752	NORTH STAR ELECTRIC COOP	\$8,719.24
89753	NORTHOME GROCERY	\$57.72
89754	NORTHOME LUMBER	\$215.00
89755	NORTHOME RENTAL & HDWR, INC	\$53.37
89756	NORTHOME SCHOOL ACTIVITY	\$860.00
89757	OLSON PLUMBING LLC	\$307.75
89758	PAUL BUNYAN COMMUNICATIONS	\$299.45
89759	QUILL CORPORATION	\$463.75
89760	SHANNON'S, INC	\$306.36
89761	UNION SUPPLIY AND SOLUTIONS, Inc	\$1,198.50
89762	US FOODSERVICE INC TM	\$15,750.99
89763	VERIZON WIRELESS	\$83.61
89764	VOYAGEUR CHARTER COACH	\$30,874.06
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	Total	\$138,643.18

Extra Payroll: Paid: February 26, 2021

Arhart, Gracie	Para and Office Sub	\$507.00
Bender, Patricia	Extra Bus Time	\$26.19
Denny, Janelle	Sports Bus Driver	\$152.00
Dreher, Brian	Board Meeting	\$120.00
Huddleston, Sandy	Sub Teacher	\$321.44
Jourdan, Douglas	Board Meeting	\$50.00
Kallio, Kristina	Sub Para	\$84.50
Kess, Kathleen	Sub Teacher	\$250.00
Lewis, Ralph	Board Meeting	\$50.00
Olesen, Soren	Sub Bus Driver	\$50.00
Rud, Teresa	Board Meeting & Sub Teacher	\$220.00
Rud Wayne	Extra Kitchen Time	\$7.74
Schenheit, Ray	Sub Teacher	\$125.00
Schultz, Rebecca	Extra Para Time	\$7.51
Simonson, Kaylee	Sub Teaching & Extra Bus Time	\$175.40
Stueven, Bob	Board Meeting & Union Meeting	\$150.00
Swalboski, Jeff	Maintenance	\$34.00
Turban, Karen	Extra Kitchen Time	\$14.46
Wickum, Elizabeth	Teacher Coordinator License by District Request	\$2,500.00
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	Total Extra Payroll	\$4,845.24

Extra Payroll: Paid: March 15, 2021

Arhart, Gracie	Para Sub	\$676.00
Bender, Patricia	Extra Bus Time	\$17.46
Buentemeier, Cayla	Extra Pre-School Hours	\$79.00
Denny, Janelle	Sports Bus Driver	\$285.00
Fisher, Kaylee	Para Meeting	\$11.26
Gorsbesk, Michael	Sub Teacher	\$125.00
Hanson, Ardell	Sub Bus Driver	\$40.00
Hanson, Matt	Sub during Prep	\$80.00
Huddleston, Sandy	Sub Teacher	\$500.00
Kallio, Kristina	Sub Para	\$435.50
Kess, Kathleen	Sub Teacher	\$125.00
Rud, Teresa	Sub Teacher	\$125.00
Rud Wayne	Extra Kitchen Time	\$23.21
Schanno, Debra	Sub Para	\$84.50
Schenheit, Ray	Sub Teacher	\$500.00
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Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Ralph Lewis, to accept the donations received from Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club for \$1,000.00 for the Northhome Prom. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai, to approve Policy #210 Development, Adoption & Implementation of Policies. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Ralph Lewis, to approve the hiring of Breanne Cipriano as FACS teacher at Indus School, effective as of the 2021/2022 school year. Contingent on licensure. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai, to approve the hiring of Sondra Monson as Special Education Teacher at the Indus School effective as of the 2021/2022 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Bob Stueven, to approve the Indus Senior class trip, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Scott Mai, to approve the Northhome Senior class trip, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Ralph Lewis, to approve the two, year renewal of the High School football coop with LFBF. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Ralph Lewis, to approve the 2021-2022 District calendar, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai, to approve the Review and Comment regarding the school district construction project, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Principals Reports: Indus Principal Report: Congratulations to the February Students of the Month. Colin Leahy, 11th grader, Lydia Black, 11th grader, Sophie Gaetzke, 6th grader, and Cadence Ross, 2nd grader. PBIS days for our students have been successful!!- Skating at Lake of the Woods new arena in the afternoon on Friday. Thank you, Mrs. Nosan for setting this up! All enjoyed the experience and want to go back. High School selecting an hour each week as a rewarding time for students that have completed their work and no write-ups. Students visit virtually with Author Lina Robinson Brendle through Zoom with the eleventh-grade students who her book Tatia's Tattoo. They learned about the process of writing and her topic of choice. They loved it! Mrs. Mayer thank you! Thank you to Jacob Hasbargen and Austin Hasbargen for getting our rink ready and keeping up with the flooding. All the students have enjoyed boot hockey, skating, hockey, and broomball in the arena for physical education and reward days. TESTING: STAR, MCA's, and ACT tests underway for assessment for our students. Students in grades 3-8 and 10-11 will be taking the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment tests starting March 8. (reading, math, and science). Teachers have been prepping the students for the testing and the importance of the tests. Last year we could not take the MCA's due to the Covid pandemic so we are happy to start up again. Elementary Collaboration continues on Tuesday mornings between the two buildings to look for our literacy curriculum for next year. Teacher Workshop on March 1. The morning started off with a webinar I did on Trauma, ADHD, Autism, and how it all affects the brain and behavior. We talked about how we have done a great job this year of being in school and not online. Grading, referendum, PBIS, field trips, parent/teacher conferences, prom, senior trip, spring sports, and testing were all part of the morning discussion. It was nice just to have the staff and me catch up. Dr. Suess Week: Tuesday was pajama day, Wednesday was read a book, and hat day, Thursday was wacky hair day. Friday was Dr. Seuss's wrap-up! Thank you, Janet Hasbargen. Parent/Teacher Conferences on March 11 from 3:30-7:00 virtually unless asked to come in. Coins on ICE NHS fundraiser- a reward for the top team will be a bowling trip in the falls. Spring Sports: Softball will be starting this year at Indus under Section 8A. We have four teams with a couple of doubleheaders set up so far. End of the Quarter is March 26.

Northhome Principal Report: We had a wonderful day celebrating Dr. Suess' birthday with cake, parties and lots of silly stories. We will have our MCA prep week in high school from March 29-April 9th. We will be using the Survivor theme and each grade level will have their own team and challenges throughout the week. We are looking forward to some fun! We have two new projects beginning. We are working to revamp our school garden as well as get some bees hives started for students, staff and community members to learn from. We are still waiting to hear back on some grants we applied for and are also looking for community members to sponsor either a hive or the garden. Mr. Moen has volunteered to be our master

beekeeper. More detailed information will be coming soon. March 17th is not only St. Patrick's Day but also the one-year anniversary of when distance learning started. We will be celebrating with shamrock cookies. We are sure glad to be back together this year! I have been spending some time observing in classrooms and am extremely excited about the good work I have been seeing! Keep it up everyone! High school teachers continue to implement interactive engagement lessons. There is a calling party scheduled for March 16 from 5-7 pm to advocate to vote yes for the referendum as well as another informational meeting scheduled for March 17 in the Commons at 6pm. We are still looking for volunteers to join our calling party. Our eighth graders have been busy reading *Touching Spirit Bear*, and will be spending Thursday afternoon in the woods creating shelters similar to those in the book. Monica Fontana is the Golden Apple winner for the month of March. She is a rockstar in our special education department, but also helps high school students emotionally and with mental health needs. Many students seek her out for guidance, trust, and someone that is willing to listen. In addition to the many hats she already wears, she has taken on leading Student Council this year and is doing a great job! This takes a lot of time and thought in order to make special events for our students and staff to participate in. We are very lucky and thankful for Ms. Fontana and everything she does. Spring sports will start practice March 29th with competition starting April 8th. I continue to be thankful for all of our staff that have stepped up to help cover classes, custodial needs and etc. due to staffing challenges with COVID. We could not do it without the team work that we have.

Committees: None

Board Report: None

Superintendent's Report: I received a letter last week from the SKRR Teacher's Union requesting an intent to start to negotiate. Once we wrap up our MSEA negotiations, we will begin with our teachers. It looks like the ESSER II funds will be coming to our public schools around June or July of this summer. We are still in the process of looking for staff to teach summer school and I have asked building principals to send me the names of any licensed and classified staff that are interested in working this summer. We've had a couple of positive Covid-19 cases in both of our buildings over the past week. I ask that our leadership team and staff remain diligent in following the proper CDC guidelines to ensure we can finish the school year safely and in person. The good news is a majority of our staff have now received their second Covid-19 vaccine. We held our first round of referendum community meetings on March 2nd and 3rd. The second round of meetings will take place on March 16th at the Indus School and March 17th will take place at the Northome school. The meeting times for both events will take place at 6PM and they will be live streamed. Today Corey and I met with a company to look at the cost of possibly replacing our phone lines and security systems for both buildings.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Bob Stueven, to close meeting at this time to discuss MSEA Contract negotiations and Northome Principal contract. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai, to open the regular meeting back up to the public. Motion carried unanimously.

The next regular monthly board meeting will be held on April 14, 2021 at 7:00 pm by ITV at the Northome and Indus School.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai, to adjourn at 8:28 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Dreher, Chairperson

Teresa Rud, Clerk

Scott Mai, Treasurer