

Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting

Of the School Board of Independent School District No. 709 held at: Denfeld High School Media Center, 401 North Forty-Fourth Avenue West, Duluth, Minnesota 55807, on

Tuesday, February 15, 2022

Members Present:

Kelly Durick Eder
David Kirby
Rosie Loeffler-Kemp
Jill Lofald
Alanna Oswald
Amber Sadowski
Paul Sandholm

Others Present:

John Magas, Superintendent
Cathy Erickson, CFO
Patty Paquette, Secretary

Student Representatives:

Ailee Naus (East)

Absent:

Sariyah Crawford (Denfeld)

➤ Chair Lofald called the Regular School Board meeting February 15, 2022 to order at 6:30 p.m.

Chair Lofald asked school board members if there was any discussion on the agenda.

M-Durick Eder, S-Loeffler-Kemp, to remove 1.B.2)b. B-2-21-3872-PLACEHOLDER-Amendment #1 to the Central on the Hill Property Purchase Agreement from the Consent Agenda. Upon a vote, the same was approved – unanimously.

M-Sandholm, S-Sadowski, to approve the agenda as amended. Upon a vote, the same was approved – unanimously.

School and Community Recognition

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Superintendent John Magas presented the School and Community Recognition

Public Comments

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Lisa Anderson, spoke to the School Board regarding the federal vaccine mandate for the Head Start program

Beth McCuskey, spoke to the School Board regarding collective bargaining negotiations.

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Alan Netland, spoke to the School Board regarding collective bargaining negotiations.

Bernie Bernham, spoke to the School Board regarding collective bargaining negotiations.

Maxine Alander, spoke to the School Board regarding school lockdowns and ALICE.

Amanda Pechek, spoke to the School Board regarding staffing shortages.

Jim Jubenville, spoke to the School Board regarding collective bargaining negotiations.

Ethan Fisher, spoke to the School Board regarding collective bargaining negotiations.

Judith McKeever, spoke to the School Board regarding collective bargaining negotiations.

Cassie LeTourneau, spoke to the School Board regarding paraprofessional staffing shortages.

Kristin Warmanen, spoke to the School Board regarding COVID leave.

Catherine Nachbar, spoke to the School Board regarding improving wages and COVID leave.

Jim Olson, spoke to the School Board regarding collective bargaining negotiations.

Communications, Petitions, Etc.

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Chair Lofald stated that were no communications received.

Superintendent's Report

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Student Representative Ailee Naus (East) presented her report.

Student Representative Sariyah Crawford's (Denfeld) report was presented by Ailee Naus.

Superintendent Magas presented the Superintendent's Report. Topics included the following:

- Historic Old Central High School Update
- Negotiations Update
- Safe Learning Plan Updates
- Strategic Planning Update

Monthly Committee of the Whole Report
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Anthony Bonds, Assistant Superintendent, presented the Committee of the Whole report which was available electronically to each school board member.

Discussion was had.

Human Resources/Business Services Committee Report
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Member Durick Eder presented the Human Resources/Finance Committee report which was available electronically to each school board member.

Discussion was had.

Policy Committee Report
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Member Loeffler-Kemp presented the Policy Committee report which was available electronically to each school board member.

Discussion was had.

Consent Agenda
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M-Eder S-Sandholm – to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Upon a vote on the consent agenda as amended, the same was approved - unanimously.

Special Resolutions/Other Action Items
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None

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Other
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Discussion was had on the possibility of School Board Members giving reports from the committees they serve on.

Member Loeffler-Kemp gave a report from the Duluth Public Schools Foundation Committee.

Member Sadowski gave a report from the Education Equity Advisory Committee.

M-Oswald, S-Sadowski to adjourn the meeting. Upon a vote, the same was approved – unanimously.

Chair Lofald adjourned the Regular School Board Meeting of February 15, 2022 at 8:28 p.m.