

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 10, 2021.

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

Roll call by Teresa Rud

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

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

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Bob Stueven, to approve the minutes, as presented, of the regular meeting of January 13, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

Recognition of Visitors / Public Comments: None

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

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Ralph Lewis to approve the District payment of: \$151,758.15 for Accounts Payable invoices, and \$2,555.22 for Extra Payroll on 1/29/2021 and \$2,430.55 for extra payroll on 2/12/2021, as presented, for the month. Motion carried unanimously.

Check	Vendor	Amount
	BANK OF MONTREAL	\$31,636.03
	NORTHONE PETTY CASH	\$2,050.00
89672	BEMIDJI REG. INTERDIST. COUNC.	\$26,559.99
89673	BEMIDJI WELDERS SUPPLY INC	\$40.00
89674	BIMBO BAKERIES, INC	\$88.19
89675	BIRCHDALE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LLC	\$463.75
89676	DREHER, JAMES	\$85.00
89677	EVAN-MOOR EDUC PUBLISHERS	\$23.50
89678	FISHER PETROLEUM	\$1,168.72
89679	H. BROOKS & COMPANY	\$658.62
89680	HAUGEN, CRAIG	\$20.00
89681	INDECK LADYSMITH, LLC	\$4,625.00
89682	INTERQUEST DETECTION CANINES	\$640.00
89683	JIM'S DISPOSAL SERVICE	\$245.00
89684	JOSTEN'S, INC.	\$74.20
89685	JOURNAL, THE	\$149.31
89686	KARL HANSON TRUCKING, INC	\$2,483.50
89687	KNUTSON, FLYNN & DEANS, INC	\$1,265.00
89688	LEWIS, LOIS	\$57.67
89689	MAGGERT TRANSPORTATION INC.	\$19,824.88
89690	MARCO, INC	\$1,823.58
89691	MENARDS-INTERNATIONAL FALLS	\$432.33
89692	MORT'S ELECTRIC, INC.	\$216.00
89693	NAPA FALLS SUPPLY	\$102.62
89694	NORTH ITASCA ELECTRIC COOP.	\$8,215.39
89695	NORTH STAR ELECTRIC COOP	\$11,998.17
89696	NORTHOME GROCERY	\$158.54
89697	NORTHOME LUMBER	\$202.05
89698	NORTHOME RENTAL & HDWR, INC	\$162.11
89699	NORTHOME SCHOOL ACTIVITY	\$33.08
89700	NORTHOME SCHOOL PETTY CASH	\$2,010.00
89701	NORTHOME, CITY OF	\$308.03
89702	NORTHWEST CHEMICAL SALES	\$123.15

89703	OLSON PLUMBING LLC	\$271.48
89704	OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY	\$1,392.24
89705	PAUL BUNYAN COMMUNICATIONS	\$290.95
89706	QUILL CORPORATION	\$752.79
89707	REGION 1	\$33.00
89708	REGION 8A	\$15.00
89709	SUNSHINE CLUB	\$5.11
89710	SUPER ONE	\$54.40
89711	US FOODSERVICE INC TM	\$13,278.39
89712	VOYAGEUR CHARTER COACH	\$15,113.02
89713	WICKUM ELIZABETH	\$2,608.36
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		\$151,758.15
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Extra Payroll: Paid: January 29, 2021

Bender, Patricia	Extra Bus Time	\$39.29
Buentemeier, Cayla	Kootasca Meeting	\$31.60
Dreher, Brian	Board Meeting	\$120.00
Furuseth, Joe	Sub during Prep	\$20.00
Hanson, Ardell	Activity Sports Driver	\$175.75
Huddleston, Sandy	Sub Teacher	\$250.00
Jourdan, Douglas	Board Meeting	\$50.00
Kallio, Kristina	Sub Para	\$562.25
Kess, Kathleen	Sub Teacher	\$125.00
Lewis, Ralph	Board Meeting	\$72.50
Mai, Scott	Board Meeting	\$120.00
Molnar, Anastasia	Sub during Prep	\$20.00
Olesen, Soren	Sub Bus Driver	\$40.00
Rud, Teresa	Board Meeting & Sub Teacher	\$220.00
Schenheit, Ray	Sub Teacher	\$375.00
Schultz, Rebecca	Extra Para Time	\$7.51
Simonson, Kaylee	Sub Teaching	\$142.86
Stueven, Bob	Board Meeting & Sports Coop Meeting	\$50.00
Swalboski, Jeff	Maintance	\$119.00
Turban, Karen	Extra Kitchen Time	\$14.46
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Total Extra Payroll		\$2,555.22
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Extra Payroll: Paid: February 12, 2021

Bender, Patricia	Extra Bus Time	\$21.83
Buentemeier, Cayla	Kootasca Meeting	\$126.40
Decker, David	Office Budget	\$500.00
Denny, Janelle	Sports Event Bus Driver	\$294.50
Huddleston, Sandy	Sub Teacher	\$125.00
Kallio, Kristina	Sub Para	\$279.50
Kess, Kathleen	Sub Teacher	\$125.00
Rud, Teresa	Sub Teacher	\$125.00
Rud, Wayne	Extra Kitchen Time	\$3.87
Schenheit, Ray	Sub Teacher	\$500.00
Swalboski, Jeff	Maintance	\$187.00
Turban, Karen	Extra Kitchen Time	\$48.20
Verveniotes, Eveni	Office Sub	\$94.25
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Total Extra Payroll		\$2,430.55
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Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Bob Stueven, to accept the donations received from Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories, for \$100.00 to Northome Robotics, and North Star Electric for \$300.00 to Industrial Arts Indus School. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Bob Stueven to approve the resignation/retirement of Charlene Kucera, teacher at the Indus School. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Ralph Lewis, to designate the law firm of Knutson, Flynn & Deans, Fuller Wallner Attorneys at Law and Kennedy and Gravens as the Districts representative of law. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Ralph Lewis, to approve the second reading of Policy #210, Development, Adoption and Implementation of Policies. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Ralph Lewis, to approve purchase agreement with Bemidji State University as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Ralph Lewis, to approve the revised FY 2020-2021 budget as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Ralph Lewis, to approve obtaining bids through NW Service Cooperative for bread bids for the 2021-22 and 2022-23 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Vice Chairman Ralph Lewis, took over the reading of the motion to approve the bids received for the Northome School bus routes. Due to lack of motion we will not be accepting bids at this time.

Principals' Reports: Indus Principal Report: Congratulations to our January Students of the Month, Elementary: Joshua Campbell (kindergarten), Ryder-Freden-Lockman (second grade) High School: Cyrus Thomopoulos (eighth grade), Katie Etienne (freshman). Congratulations to our District Spelling Bee Champion 8th grader Cyrus Thomopoulos, Cyrus went on to virtual Regions along with 17 others. He finished 6th overall!- Nice job. Our attendance has been really good since Christmas Break along with staff we have been a healthy school so far! The end of the 1st Semester was January 22 so we have 15 students that made the A honor roll. They were recognized along with the B honor roll with ice cream sundaes on Friday, February 5th. MCA testing begins on March 8th. Last year MCA's were waived so it is nice to be in school to get our state assessments done. College and Career News: ON Thursday, February 25, Itasca Community College is having a virtual career fair for grades 9-12. Food Shelf- this month is "Give from the Heart-Heart Healthy Foods". Thank you Lois Lewis for organizing this for our building. Buddy Packs are being delivered on Friday, February 5 to over 40 students in our building, not including family members. Thank you Amber Peterson for organizing this project for our families. Thank you to Lois Lewis and Charlene Kucera for your services to our building over the past years. You both are incredible women who care about our students so much. We wish you the best of retirement and relaxation but adventures ahead. We will miss you both so much. BRIC meetings coming up in person again. We look forward to seeing them in person and not virtual!- They are very important for our building staff and our students. Last but not least we would like to recognize Martin Luther King Day!- One of my favorite Quotes is below!- Everybody can be great... because anybody can serve.

Northome Principal Report: The Quarter 2 Responsibility Honor Roll students got to go on an ice fishing field trip on January 29th at October Ridge. There were 29 students that got to attend. Thank you to the Fahey's for being such wonderful hosts. Our elementary teachers have been collaborating with Indus' teachers on Tuesday mornings on literacy curriculum, best practice and student engagement. Staff have been spending time on growth vs fixed mindset and how it can improve our instruction with students. There will be no school February 15th. In honor of President's Day. Parent teacher conferences are coming up on March 1st. Teachers will have staff development in the morning with conferences from 1pm to 7 pm. All conferences will be held virtually. The Golden Apple winner this month is nurse Bonnie. Bonnie wears numerous hats in this building! She is more than our school nurse. She is busier than ever with everything that is happening in our world! She spends countless hours gathering information and organizing the testing and vaccinations needed to keep us all informed and safe. She helps to create and organize the wellness program for our staff which is a lot of fun competition by the way! She's always the first to volunteer to help pack breakfasts for our kids, fill in taking lunch count, anything that needs to be done really! And she does all of these things with a kind word and a very infectious laugh!! We are blessed to have her as a part of our Northome family. Para recognition week was the week of January 25th and School Counselor Recognition week was last

week. Again, I want to send out my appreciation to all of our paras and Christine for all of their hard work and dedication to our students. We are lucky to have such a great team. Bus driver recognition day is February 24th. We are very appreciative of the dedicated group of drivers that keep all of our students safe each day. Homecoming will take place the week of February 15th. Student Council is planning spirit days, coronation and a Covid friendly pep fest.

Committees Reports: None

Board Report: None

Superintendent's Report: We have posted Election Judge positions to assist with our District Referendum on Tuesday, April 13. We will use two election officials at each of our campuses. Training will be provided through the Minnesota Secretary of State's Office. We have money through our Title IV Grant to support Mental Health services in our School District. This position has been posted and keeping our fingers crossed that we can find a qualified individual. Currently, Northome has a Mental Health practitioner in the building one day a week and Indus has a staff member supporting students 3-4 days a week. Architecture Resources Incorporated (ARI) will assist District in creating an informational video that we can share with our communities regarding the upcoming referendum. The focus of the video will be the need for new roof replacements, along with heating and ventilation systems. Derek Foss and his team from Koochiching County Health visited both Indus and Northome schools last week and provided the first round of Covid-19 vaccinations for all staff that chose to receive the vaccine. This worked very well, versus the alternative pilot site in Mountain Iron. We had about 40 staff members receive a vaccination. Our district administration team as well as our elementary teachers have started the process of reviewing our current elementary literacy curriculum and take a look at what improvements we need to make that are researched based, embedded in evidence based best practice and best for our kids and community.

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

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

The next regular monthly board meeting will be held on Wednesday March 10, 2021 in the ITV studio's at the Northome and Indus School.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Bob Stueven to adjourn at 7:58 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Dreher, Chairperson

Teresa Rud, Clerk

Scott Mai, Treasurer