

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #239**

The regular meeting of the Rushford-Peterson School District #239 was called to order by Chairperson John Linder at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, December 18, 2017, at the Rushford-Peterson Schools Forum Room, 1000 Pine Meadows Lane, Rushford, MN 55971.

Members Present: Valarie Howe, Joyce Iverson, Julie Koop, John Linder, Dean Mierau, Bonnie Prinsen and Jon Pettit

Members Absent: None

Administration Present: Superintendent Charles Ehler, Angela Shepard, Jake Timm

Activities Director: Dan Bieberdorf

District Office Personnel: Laura Hahn

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moved by Iverson seconded by Koop to adopt the agenda with the following addition: Consent Agenda: Personnel: Hire of Cora Bauer – Kids Club Supervisor. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

Jason Boynton of Smith Schafer & Associates presented the 2016-2017 audit report.

Moved by Howe, seconded by Mierau to approve the following consent agenda items; November 20, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, Donations in the amount of \$1,850, November hand payables, wires & payroll liabilities in the amount of \$283,799.56, November payroll in the amount of \$281,787.90, December board bills in the amount of \$350,448.23; Personnel: Resignation of Mindy Meldahl (Hiser) - Foodservice assistant, hire of Lorelei Bunke - PROM Advisor, hire of MaryKate Franklin - Long-term Sub for MS Math and hire of Cora Bauer – Kids Club Supervisor. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Koop, seconded by Prinsen to approve the second reading and adopt Policy# 902 – Community Use of School Facilities. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Howe, seconded by Mierau to approve the school year ending June 30, 2017 audit report. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Koop, seconded by Howe to approve the agreement with Hiawatha Valley Mental Health for the 2017-2018 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Prinsen, seconded by Iverson to approve the Drainage and Utility Easement with the City of Rushford. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Iverson, seconded by Prinsen to approve the resolution supporting Safe Routes to School. With a roll call vote of 7:0, motion carries.

Moved by Koop, seconded by Mierau to set the following dates and times for the January meetings to be held in the Forum Room; Monday, January 8, 2018 at 5:30 PM and Monday, January 22, 2018 at 5:30 PM.

Angela Shepard presented the 2016-17 World's Best Workforce summary.

Moved by Mierau, seconded by Iverson to approve the 2016-17 World's Best Workforce summary. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Koop, seconded by Prinsen to approve the General Obligation School Building Bond payment, payable to Bond Trust Services in the amount of \$1,931,825 (Principal - \$1,360,000 | Interest \$571,825) to be paid as a hand payable prior to the next regular board meeting on January 22, 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Ehler presented the Superintendent and Community Education reports.
Angela Shepard presented the Elementary Principal's report.
Jake Timm presented the Middle School/High School Principal's report.

Due to the 6:15 PM Truth-in-Taxation meeting, part way through the Middle School/High School Principal's report, Prinsen made the motion to adjourn the regular meeting in order to go into the Truth-in-Taxation meeting, the motion was seconded by Iverson. Motion carried unanimously.

The Truth-in-Taxation hearing was called to order by Chairperson Linder at 6:16 PM.

Toni Oian, Business Manager presented information on 2017 Levy, payable in 2018.
Moved by Prinsen, seconded by Mierau to go back into the regular meeting at 6:36 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Jake Timm finished presenting the Middle School/High School Principal's report.
Dan Bieberdorf presented the Activities Director's report.

Moved by Koop, seconded by Howe to certify the final Levy Certification 2017 Payable 2018 in the amount of \$2,287,123.45. Motion carried unanimously.

INFORMATION:

The Organizational meeting will be Monday, January 8, 2018 at 5:30 PM in the Rushford-Peterson Schools Forum Room, 1000 Pine Meadows Lane, Rushford. The next regular monthly board meeting will be on Monday, January 22, 2018 at 5:30 PM in the Rushford-Peterson Schools Forum Room, 1000 Pine Meadows Lane, Rushford.

Moved by Howe, seconded by Prinsen, to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:42 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

John Linder, Chairperson

Bonnie Prinsen, Clerk