

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
BEMIDJI AREA SCHOOLS
SEPTEMBER 19, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, Bemidji Area Schools, Bemidji, Beltrami/Hubbard Counties, Minnesota, was held on Monday, September 19, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., in the District Office Board Room.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeff Lind, Sarah Young, Todd Haugen, Carol L. Johnson, Ann Long Voelkner and Superintendent Jeremy Olson

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

CALL TO ORDER: (Time: 6:30 p.m.)

PREVIEW OF AGENDA – SUPERINTENDENT DR. JEREMY OLSON

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The motion was offered by Jeff Lind, seconded by Todd Haugen, and carried by all in attendance to approve the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

The motion was offered by Ann Long Voelkner, seconded by Sarah Young, and carried by consent to approve the following items:

- A. Minutes from the August 15, 2022 School Board Meeting
- B. Current Bills & Special Checks Totaling: \$3,991,653.30
- C. Second Reading and Adoption of Revised SBR 300-60-1R: District Purchasing and Requisitioning Administrative Procedure
- D. Certified Staff Appointments
- E. Non-Certified Staff Resignations
- F. Resignation of Administrative Staff Member – Tony Andrews
- G. Release from Contract Requests

SPECIAL TOPICS

Spotlight Presentation: Mental Health – Angie Lauderbaugh, Jason Luksik, and Tiffany Rundquist

Information was presented on what types of support social workers provide in regards to mental health for the students in our district. Social workers offer individual support, small group support and whole class lessons. Having a social worker in the buildings have saved on other resources, utilizing the tiered system. A clip of students utilizing the summer programs available was shown.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

LISTENING SESSION REVIEW

There were no listening sessions

DONATIONS

The motion was offered by Jeff Lind, seconded by Todd Haugen, and carried by all in attendance to accept the following donations: \$1,000 and \$300.00 worth of sweatshirts from Randy and Jeanne Jaeger and \$500.00 from Knights of Columbus Council.

EQUITABLE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Assessment Results

Colleen Cardenuto, Director of Curriculum and Administrative Services, provided the Assessment Results for 2021-2022.

Overall Bemidji Schools scored slightly above the state in Mathematics. The subgroups of Special Education scored below the state and Free and Reduced and American Indian Education scored above than the state average.

Overall Bemidji Schools Scored slightly below the state in Reading proficiency. The subgroups of Special Education scored below the state and Free and Reduced and American Indian Education scored above than the state average.

In Science Proficiency Bemidji Schools scored below the state. All subgroups are above the state average.

The Spring 2022 NWEA Measures of Academic Progress results indicate Bemidji students scored at or above grade level in first through 6th grade.

Bemidji students taking the 2022 ACT scored above the state average.

Ms. Cardenuto indicated Bemidji High School graduation rates are higher than the state at Bemidji High School. The American Indian graduates increased from the previous year.

She discussed goals and action plans for this school year.

RELATIONSHIPS/COLLABORATION

HIGH QUALITY DISTRICT

Depository Resolution Establishing PMA Financial Network, Inc. as a Designated Depository of District Funds

Ann Long Voelkner introduced the following resolution and urged its adoption:

COMMENTS:

Each January, the board approves an Enabling Act which establishes guidance for daily operations of the school district. Specifically, the enabling act grants authority to the Director of Business Services to make short-term investments of surplus funds in legally approved securities. A Depository Resolution is also approved each year designating official depositories. The purpose of this resolution is to add PMA Financial Network, Inc to the list of official depositories and enable the district to hold excess funds and make legally approved short-term investments through PMA Financial Network, Inc.

DEPOSITORY RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PMA FINANCIAL NETWORK, INC AS A DESIGNATED DEPOSITORY OF DISTRICT FUNDS

BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Board of Directors of Independent School District No. 31, Bemidji, Beltrami/Hubbard Counties, Minnesota, at a meeting held on September 19, 2022, do hereby designate as A depository of district funds the PMA Financial Network, Inc family of accounts for a period beginning the 20th of September 2022, and ending on the 30th of January 2023.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with M.S. 123B.14. Subdivision 3, the Treasurer is authorized to exercise the powers of this governing body in designating the depositories of such funds. This authorization is subject to the right to said Board of Directors to modify, vacate, or revoke at any time.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Sarah Young, and upon vote thereon a tabulation of votes is as follows:

AYES: Sarah Young, Ann Long Voelkner, Jeff Lind, Todd Haugen, Carol L. Johnson

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

WHEREUPON, said resolution was declared passed and adopted

2022 Payable 2023 Levy Limit Certification

The motion was offered by Jeff Lind, seconded by Todd Haugen, and carried by all in attendance to approve the 2022 Pay 2023 Levy Limit at the Maximum.

Elementary/Alternative Programs Principal

The motion was offered by Ann Long Voelkner, seconded by Todd Haugen, and carried by all in attendance to employ Kim Goodwin as an Elementary/Alternative Programs Principal effective August 16, 2022.

First Reading of Revised SBR 200-90-16: Employment Background Checks

The motion was offered by Sarah Young, seconded by Jeff Lind, and carried by all in attendance to approve the first reading of SBR 200-90-16: Employment Background Checks.

First Reading of Revised SBR 200-90-19: Personnel Family and Medical Leave Policy

The motion was offered by Todd Haugen, seconded by Ann Long Voelkner, and carried by all in attendance to approve the first reading of SBR 200-90-19: Personnel Family and Medical Leave Policy.

First Reading of Revised SBR 900-20-1: Employment Background Checks

The motion was offered by Sarah Young, seconded by Jeff Lind, and carried by all in attendance to approve the first reading of SBR 900-20-1: Public and Private Personnel Data.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Crisis Prevention Institute (CPI) Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Training

We have had multiple trainings for staff for the initial CPI trainings as well as refresher courses.

Back to School Workshops

There were many different workshops for staff the week before school started. Our Keynote speaker was Sarah Lancaster.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Staff Development Day – Monday, October 3, 2022
October Meeting – Monday, October 17, 2022, 6:30 p.m.

OTHER

Once Around the Table

School Board Members shared their observations of events in the district.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

ADJOURNMENT

The motion was offered by Todd Haugen, seconded by Sarah Young, and carried by all in attendance to adjourn. Time: 7:59 p.m.

Jeff Lind, Clerk

Date Approved

Carol L. Johnson, Chair

Date Approved