

Minutes of the Special School Board Meeting

Of the School Board of Independent School District No. 709 held at the Historic Old Central High School, 215 North First Avenue East, Duluth, Minnesota 55802, on

Thursday, May 24, 2012

Members Present:

Art Johnston
Tom Kasper
Mike Miernicki
Judy Seliga Punyko
Ann Wasson
Bill Westholm

Others Present:

Bill Gronseth, Interim Superintendent
Bill Hanson, Deputy Clerk
Melinda Thibault, Secretary

Members Absent:

Mary Cameron

➤ Chair Wasson called the special school board meeting of May 24, 2012 to order at 5:00 p.m.

A. Coach Requests Meeting Pursuant to MN Statute 122A.33 Subd.3

Tim Sworsky, Human Resources Manager, explained what the item was related to and what information could be discussed in public. Mr. Sworsky listed the reasons that were given to Mr. Tolo for the non-renewal of his coaching contract.

Mr. Tolo spoke to the school board in response to the listed allegations against him. Melanie Ford, Mr. Tolo's attorney, read a letter that was sent to the district's attorney along with a statement from the student whose private data was released.

Member Seliga Punyko presented the resolution:

RESOLUTION Executive (Closed) Session

RESOLVED, By the School Board of Independent School District 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that the School Board shall meet in Executive (Closed) Session on Thursday, May 24, 2012 at approximately 5:00 p.m. in the Board Conference Room of Historic Old Central High School for the purpose of discussion related to private educational data, pursuant to Minnesota Statute Section 13D.05, subd. 2(a)(3).

Resolution HR-5-12-3023

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M-Seliga Punyko, S-Westholm, to approve Resolution HR-5-12-3023 Executive Closed Session. Upon a vote, the same was approved 6-0.

The board recessed to closed session at 5:15 p.m.
The board reconvened at 5:53 p.m.

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B. Contract for Assistant Superintendent, Eddie J. Crawford, for the period of July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2014

Superintendent Gronseth noted that Mr. Crawford has been an asset to the district in this position and looks forward to continuing to work with him.

M-Seliga Punyko, S-Miernicki, to approve the contract as presented for Eddie J. Crawford. Upon a vote the same passed 6-0.

C. Resolution B-5-12-3022 – Approval of Ten-Year Capital Facilities Plan – 2012 Update

Member Kasper left at 5:58 p.m.

Member Miernicki presented the resolution:

RESOLUTION
Ten-Year Capital Facilities Plan – 2012 Update

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 709, St. Louis County, State of Minnesota, that the Ten-Year Capital Facilities Plan – 2012 Update, be approved.

B-5-12-3022

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M-Miernicki, S-Westholm, to approve Resolution B-5-12-3022 – Ten-Year Capital Facilities Plan – 2012 Update. Upon a vote the same passed 4-1 as follows:

Yea: Seliga Punyko, Miernicki, Wasson, Westholm
Nay: Johnston

➤ Chair Wasson adjourned the Special School Board meeting of May 24, 2012 at 5:59 p.m.