

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, January 11, 2023.

The meeting was called to order by Jeremy Tammi at 7:00 pm.

Roll call by Jeremy Tammi:

Emily Lindley

Scott Mai

Bob Stueven

Jeremy Tammi, Superintendent

Douglas Jourdan

Malisa Schue

Ralph Lewis

Pledge of Allegiance

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai to approve the addendum items. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bob Stueven, seconded by Ralph Lewis to accept newly elected board members Ms. Emily Lindley and Ms. Malisa Schue and returning board member Mr. Scott Mai. Motion carried unanimously.

Member Doug Jourdan nominated Bob Stueven for **Chairperson**. Moved by Doug Jourdan that a vote be taken and Bob Stueven is Chairperson. Motion carried unanimously.

Member Doug Jourdan nominated Ralph Lewis for **Vice-Chairperson**. Moved by Doug Jourdan that a vote be taken and Ralph Lewis is Vice-Chairperson. Motion carried unanimously.

Member Bob Stueven nominated Doug Jourdan for **Clerk**. Moved by Bob Stueven that a vote be taken and Doug Jourdan is Clerk. Motion carried unanimously.

Member Ralph Lewis nominated Scott Mai for **Treasurer**. Moved by Ralph Lewis that a vote be taken and Scott Mai is Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson Bob Stueven appointed board members to committees as follows:

Community Education

Ralph Lewis and Malisa Schue

MN State High School League

Bob Stueven and Scott Mai

Vo-Ag Advisory Committee

Scott Mai and Doug Jourdan

Continuing Ed Committee

Ralph Lewis and Malisa Schue

B.R.I.C.

Bob Stueven and Doug Jourdan

Employee Interview Committee

Bob Stueven and Ralph Lewis

North Country Vocation Coop

Scott Mai

Negotiators

Bob Stueven and Emily Lindley

MSBA Legislative Liaison

Doug Jourdan

Indus Scholarship Committee

Ralph Lewis

Northome Scholarship Committee

Bob Stueven

Kelliher Athletic Coop Representative

Bob Stueven

Meet & Confer Indus

Ralph Lewis and Scott Mai

Meet & Confer Northome

Emily Lindley, Doug Jourdan, Malisa Schue and Bob Stueven

Moved by Malisa Schue, seconded by Ralph Lewis to approve the committee nominations. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Scott Mai, seconded by Ralph Lewis to schedule the regular monthly meetings of South Koochiching/Rainy River ISD #363 on the second Wednesday of every month with the meetings beginning at 7:00 pm unless held over ITV and these meetings will begin at 7:00 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Malisa Schue to set the School Board reimbursement rates at \$120.00 for Chairperson, \$120.00 for Treasurer, \$95.00 for Clerk and \$50.00 for Directors. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai to set the mileage reimbursement for use of a personal vehicle for school district business when: NO school vehicle is available for the trip at .45 per mile; and at .20 per mile when an employee chooses to use their own vehicle even though a school vehicle IS available. These rates become effective on 1/1/2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai to designate Deerwood Bank as the depositories for District 363 funds. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Moved by Malisa Schue, seconded by Ralph Lewis to designated the Rainy Lake Gazette as the official newspaper for the District. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai to approve the minutes, as presented, of the regular and Truth in Taxation meetings of December 14, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

Recognition of Visitors / Public Comments: Betsy Gerard, Rylee Mai, Alissa Carlson.

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

Moved by Scott Mai, seconded by Ralph Lewis to approve the District payment of: \$608,919.66 and Indus and Northome School Activity account of \$6,094.18 for Accounts Payable invoices and \$14,336.12 for Extra Payroll on 12/30/2022 and \$2,894.92 for Extra Payroll on 1/13/23, as presented, for the month. Motion carried unanimously.

Check	Vendor	Amount
	BANK OF MONTREAL	\$ 28,741.95
91081	ARCHITECTURAL RESOURCES, INC	\$ 118,080.00
91082	Battalion Distributing	\$ 42.90
91083	BEAR COUNTRY CHRONICLES	\$ 70.00
91084	BEMIDJI REG. INTERDIST. COUNC.	\$ 30,240.59
91085	BEMIDJI WELDERS SUPPLY INC	\$ 38.50
91086	BESSLER BROTHERS ELECTRIC, LLC	\$ 2,465.83
91087	BIMBO BAKERIES, INC	\$ 292.14
91088	BIRCHDALE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LLC	\$ 1,225.00
91089	BLACKDUCK YOUTH BASKETBALL	\$ 150.00
91090	BOND TRUST SERVICES CORP	\$ 265,406.67
91091	BRADY, MARTZ & ASSOCIATES, PC	\$ 8,850.00
91092	DREHER, BRIAN	\$ 543.01
91093	FISHER PETROLEUM	\$ 8,857.45
91094	FORESTLAND SALES AND SERVICE	\$ 934.96
91095	FROE BROS DRILLING, LLC	\$ 865.00
91096	HANSON, MATTHEW	\$ 73.00
91097	INDECK LADYSMITH, LLC	\$ 9,484.95
91098	INTERQUEST DETECTION CANINES	\$ 680.00
91099	ITA BEL KOO D A C	\$ 421.00
91100	JIM'S DISPOSAL SERVICE	\$ 332.87
91101	KARL HANSON TRUCKING, INC	\$ 2,920.62
91102	LAKE OF THE WOODS FOODS	\$ 27.33
91103	LECLAIR, PAUL	\$ 42.02
91104	LEHN, MACKENZIE	\$ 33.75
91105	MAGGERT TRANSPORTATION INC.	\$ 44,888.25
91106	MARCO, INC	\$ 1,262.86

91107	MASSP	\$	145.00
91108	MENARDS-INTERNATIONAL FALLS	\$	499.31
91109	MN DEPT. OF HUMAN SERVICES	\$	51.00
91110	NAPA FALLS SUPPLY	\$	16.94
91111	NORTH ITASCA ELECTRIC COOP.	\$	8,062.76
91112	NORTH STAR ELECTRIC COOP	\$	11,114.58
91113	NORTHERN LIGHT REGION	\$	132.80
91114	NORTHLAND PROGRSSIVE, INC	\$	35.00
91115	NORTHOME GROCERY	\$	152.09
91116	NORTHOME LUMBER PLUS	\$	298.50
91117	NORTHOME RENTAL & HDWR, INC	\$	203.88
91118	NORTHOME, CITY OF	\$	610.48
91119	NORTHWEST IRON FIREMEN, INC.	\$	1,306.00
91120	NORTHWEST SERVICE COOP.	\$	197.50
91121	NORTHWEST TIRE INC	\$	588.60
91122	NW-LINKS	\$	2,700.00
91123	OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY	\$	1,613.00
91124	PACE ANALYTICAL	\$	911.15
91125	PAUL BUNYAN COMMUNICATIONS	\$	255.31
91126	PERFORMANCE FOODSERVICE -TWIN CITIES	\$	683.12
91127	POMPS TIRE SERVICE, INC	\$	458.04
91128	QUILL CORPORATION	\$	513.22
91129	REGION 1	\$	2,933.93
91130	SANDSTROM'S	\$	942.00
91131	SEPTIC CHECK	\$	700.00
91132	SHANNON'S, INC	\$	1,389.89
91133	STELLHER HUMAN SERVICES, INC.	\$	4,312.50
91134	STUDIO 53 FABRIC	\$	65.00
91135	SUPER ONE	\$	24.39
91136	TAMMI, JEREMY	\$	75.00
91137	UNION SUPPLIY AND SOLUTIONS, Inc	\$	2,641.00
91138	US FOODSERVICE INC TM	\$	14,176.27
91139	VOYAGEUR CHARTER, INC	\$	24,140.75
Total		\$	608,919.66

Extra Payroll: Paid: December 30, 2022

Boes, Rebecca	Sub Custodian	\$51.84
Bohne, Raymond	Sub Teacher	\$135.00
Dietrich, Chazlynn	CPI Training	\$123.68
Dreher, Brian	Truth in Taxation Meeting & Board Meeting	\$240.00
Jourdan, Doug	Truth in Taxation Meeting & Board Meeting	\$100.00
Kindem, Miriam	Sub Teacher	\$270.00
Krause, Shelley	Sub Teacher	\$1,080.00
Kuhlman, Corey	Sub Custodian	\$513.75
LeClaire, Paul	Activity Driver	\$306.00
Lewis, Ralph	Truth in Taxation Meeting & Board Meeting	\$100.00
Lorenzen, Mike	Sub Teacher	\$270.00
Mai, Scott	Truth in Taxation Meeting & Board Meeting	\$240.00
Nissen, Terri	Sub Teacher	\$405.00
Nosan, Shelby	Sub Teacher	\$1,867.95
Olesen, Soren	Activity Driver	\$41.00
Plotts, Michelle	Tutor Mentor	\$70.00
Rud, Terri	Truth in Taxation Meeting & Board Meeting	\$100.00
Skoe, Jamie	Sub Para	\$735.00

Streiff, Kyla	Sub Para	\$585.00
Stueven, Bob	Snow Plowing, Negotiations, Truth in Taxation & Board Meeting	\$627.50
Szydel, Ashley	Sub Teacher	\$270.00
Thomas, Al	Sub Teacher	\$675.00
Turban, Karen	Extra Kitchen Time	\$49.65
White, Corey	Extra Summer Hours	\$5,479.75
Total		<u>\$14,336.12</u>

Extra Payroll: Paid: January 13, 2022

Bohne, Raymond	Sub Teacher	\$135.00
Bolhuis, LeAnn	Sub During Prep	\$40.00
Elhard, Colleen	Workshop	\$17.09
Kindem, Miriam	Sub Teacher	\$405.00
Krause, Shelley	Sub Teacher	\$135.00
Kuhlman, Corey	Sub Custodian	\$131.25
LeClaire, Paul	Activity Driver	\$34.00
Molnar, Anastasia	Sub During Prep	\$40.00
Nissen, Terri	Sub Teacher	\$135.00
Nosan, Shelby	Sub Teacher	\$871.71
Olesen, Soren	Sub During Prep	\$20.00
Peterson, Colyn	Sub Custodian	\$90.00
Plotts, Michelle	Tutor Mentor	\$70.00
Schackman, Amanda	Kitchen Meeting	\$4.37
Schneider, James	Tutor Mentor, Staff Development & Sub During Prep	\$152.34
Skoe, Jamie	Sub Para	\$495.00
Turban, Karen	Extra Kitchen Time	\$119.16
Total		<u>\$2,894.92</u>

Moved by Malisa Schue, seconded by Ralph Lewis to accept the donations received from Stanley Hubbard for \$10,000.00 to Northome Food Pantry. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Doug Jourdan to approve Resignation of Northome School Bus Driver Peggy Gross. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai to approve 2022-23 Snow Removal Contracts. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Emily Lindley to approve Policy 704.1 Extracurricular Transportation (3rd Reading). Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Scott Mai, seconded by Ralph Lewis to approve opening of bids for Indus Bus Routes. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Scott Mai, seconded by Ralph Lewis to approve Sealed Quotation for District Bus #6 in the amount of \$48,790.00 from Maggert's Transportation. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai to approve 2022-24 MSEA Contract. Motion carried unanimously.

IAQ Bids Discussion with ARI regarding two bids from Peterson Sheet Metal 5.2 million and Shannon's Inc at 6 million for Indus and Northome School's air handlers and boilers. No action taken by the board.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai to approve Resignation/Retirement of Indus Para Janet Hasbargen. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai to approve Contract for Additional SPED Hours for Wendy Mayer. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Reports: Supt. Jeremy Tammi and Business Manager Alissa Carlson will meet to discuss budget revisions to be presented at the February board meeting.

Indus Principal's Report: We are happy to be back after the holiday break! We left school a little earlier than expected, but we are happy to be back. The well issues are being addressed. As Mr. Tammi mentioned, the water tested safe. Von is continually monitoring the situation and changing filters as needed. This project will continue until the ground is thawed enough for the well drillers to do anything major. We will keep our fingers crossed that our maintenance in the meantime will take care of it. We also had a pipe burst in the boys locker room. Shannon's came and determined the pipes did freeze. The heater in the locker room wasn't working properly. The belts are being replaced and we should be back in business. As of today, the water is back on in the boys locker room. I would like to thank Indus staff for continuously doing their part to be flexible as far as teacher/para coverage within the school. On days where we have nobody available, our staff is more than willing to help out to make sure our students have what they need. Ms. Lehn and I were able to attend the drug task force meeting on January 4th with several members of the Koochiching County community. The committee will be organizing a public forum where individuals can come and learn about the issues the community faces concerning youth drug use. This event will be advertised through the radio stations and will be held at the Backus Center on Feb. 8th. We have another meeting scheduled for January 18th. Notes from Ms. Cain: The new year is bringing some new changes to the food shelf. Our food delivery date has changed to the beginning of each month rather than the middle of the month. This is hopefully going to allow us to access a different variety of food for our customers. We are now getting a fresh produce box every month as one of our bonus boxes. There were a total of 12 visits for December. Which is a little lower than average due to Christmas Vacation. We are doing some rearranging of the pantry including adding more shelving and storage. The student part of the pantry is doing extremely well. We have seen a large increase in visits by the students. We are reaching out to the families of those students we see as "High Flyers" to the student pantry and making sure we help them as needed. We are also trying a wider variety of food for those students as well.

Northome Principal's Report: Welcome back to the new year! Staff and students seemed excited to be back in the building and together after break. Both staff and students have been taking time to set goals for the upcoming year and semester. Alex from the Army Recruitment center in Bemidji was here to present Army 101 to our 10th through 12th graders on Monday. There is no school next Monday, January 16th due to Martin Luther King Day. Northome will host the district Spelling Bee next Thursday, January 19th. Indus will join us for the bee around 10am and then will join us for lunch before heading back. The end of quarter 2/ semester 1 is January 20th. We will be taking time to celebrate all of the accomplishments from semester 1. Our students and staff have done a lot of hard work the first half of the year. We will have our next All School celebration on Friday. This month we are focusing on living a positive lifestyle and overcoming challenges. I will be visiting each elementary classroom for our monthly read aloud in the coming days. We will be reading, "Energy Bus," which ties directly into our theme of overcoming negativity and overcoming obstacles. Homecoming is planned for the week of January 23rd (as long as the floors are complete. Student Council has been busy planning events and a pepfest. Teachers are focusing on strategies to be a Champion for all of our students. This is all about developing relationships and making adjustments to meet the needs of every individual student. Betsy and I have joined the Koochiching County Juvenile Drug Task Force. I want to invite all of you to attend the Open Forum on February 8th at 6 pm, the location is TBD. We are also looking at offering a virtual option. The Golden Apple winner for the month of January is LeAnn Bolhuis. LeAnn is very dedicated to her job, works hard to meet the needs of her students, and makes extra efforts to check in with her students when needed.

Board Report: None.

Superintendent's Report: Happy New Year and Congratulations again to our newest Board Members. I wanted to give the Board an update on Northome Gymnasium Floor. The line painting will be completed by tomorrow and the finishing coats will be applied starting on Thursday, January 19th. There will be three coats applied on three consecutive days. Once the final coat is applied, the floor will need to sit for 7-10 days. We anticipate the floor open for use the week of January 30th. Northome Community Ed Report - Current Activities: Grades 3-5 Youth Basketball registration is happening; mostly in Kelliher at this time due to gym reconstruction. Fancy Frosted Sugar Cookies in early December was a huge success and we are hopeful to get the instructor back in the spring. Upcoming: Beading. Tentative date was set for January but due to an illness the instructor needs to reschedule. Senior Defensive Driving: Initial & Refresher. Date/details are being worked out. PomPoms. Ceramics class. Crazy Quilted Pincushion. Anyone interested in sharing a skill and teaching a community ed class is encouraged to contact Libby Wickum. Indus Community Ed Report - Indus Community Ed is planning a few different things for the upcoming months. These include bringing back the Indus Ski Trip to Giants Ridge. This is a community favorite and

has been highly missed and asked for. I have been talking to Giants Ridge and they are putting together package pricing for me. The big problem again is transportation due to we no longer having district busing. I am reaching out to families and to Reinke bussing to see what our options are. If we can work everything out we are planning to do the trip on Saturday, February 25th. I have been in contact with Stacy Hall from 4H to do a spring session in March but would like to add a winter session starting in February as well if we can figure out schedules and transportation. The new year is bringing some new changes to the food shelf. Our food delivery date has changed to the beginning of each month rather than the middle of the month. This

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The next regular monthly board meeting will be held on February 8, 2023 at 7:00 pm at Indus and by ITV.

Moved by Ralph Lewis, seconded by Scott Mai to adjourn at 8:04 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Bob Stueven, Chairperson

Doug Jourdan, Clerk

Scott Mai, Treasurer