

SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Monday – May 3, 2010 6:00 P.M.
Becker City Hall Council Chambers

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lumley. Members present: Philip Norgaard, Mike Horgen, Dawn Hill, Tina Holty, Lynel Johnson and Mark Lumley. Administrators present: Supt. Steven Dooley, Gary Kawlewski, Betsy Ziemer, Sandy Logrono and Dale Christensen.

Procedural Items. The meeting was called to order, the pledge of allegiance was recited, and the agenda was reviewed. An additional agenda item was added: Online Learning Report by Betsy Ziemer, Dir. Of Curriculum & Instruction, Addition of a Special School Board Meeting on May 17, 2010; Chair Lumley recognized the visitors.

Norgaard moved, seconded by Holty to approve Consent Agenda Items. Minutes: Regular – Monday – April 12, 2010, Special - Thursday – April 22, 2010, Special – Tuesday – April 27, 2010; Voucher Batch 79686-80134 Total \$377,942.92, Cash Treasurer's Report for March. Motion carried.

Reports. Student Council Report. No Report. Online Learning Report by Dir. of Curriculum & Instruction, Betsy Ziemer: This is a district wide approach with an ultimate goal to achieve MDE certification for Online Learning. To date there are twenty-four districts in MN certified in online learning. The program has been started in the ALP program and additional services would include Credit Recovery, Hybrid Courses, Enrichment, Homebound, Independent Study, AP, Test pre (MCA, ACT, SAT, EXPLORE, PLAN), Homeschool, Intervention – Targeted Service, RtI. The district will start the process for application to the MDE and get certification. Becker Schools will work with a provider to offer online classes to all grade levels and will engage students interactively.

Action Items. Johnson moved, seconded by Holty to continue membership in the MN State High School League for the 2010-2011 school year. Motion carried. Horgen moved, seconded by Norgaard to discontinue or reduce positions & programs if needed. Motion carried. Horgen moved, seconded by Norgaard, to hold a Special Meeting on May 17, 2010. Motion carried.

Personnel Items. The following personnel items were approved on the premise that they conform to previous board approved actions or contractual agreements. Norgaard moved, seconded by Holty to approve the following: Child care leave requests of Erika Bakke for 12 weeks beginning on or about September 21, 2010 & Connie Robinson beginning September 7, 2010 and to continue for 12 weeks thereafter; Medical leave requests of Lisa Bruska for the remainder of the 09-10 school year and for Sheri Bertsch for the 2010-2011 school year; Family leave request for Mary Schields-Good beginning April 26, 2010 through the end of the 2009-2010 school year; Approving the placing of non-certified school personnel on season layoffs, list includes transportation, food service and playground/noon hour employees; Approving the continued employment of van driver, Lynette Peterson in accordance with Article XI, Section I of the SEIU agreement with the district; Approving the long term substitute teaching agreement of Tracy Beuning in the primary school. Motion carried.

Discussion Items. The district held a first reading of district of policy 726 Fund Balance Policy. Director of Business Services Hire/Timeline; Supt. Dooley shared with the board the guideline for hiring: May 14th deadline for applications, week of May 17th Member Norgaard, Member Horgen, Dr. Malone, Gary Kawlewski and Supt. Dooley will review applications; May 24th determine finalists (4:30 district office); May 25th Offer interviews to candidates and June 2nd interview candidates with full board starting at a Special Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Board Committee Reports. None

Superintendent's Report. Supt. Dooley reminded the board that for the next board meeting there will be a re-employment agreement for two individuals.

Other. None.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Tina Holty - Clerk
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