

**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 5:33 p.m. on Monday, April 16, 2018 at the Rushford-Peterson Schools Forum Room, 1000 Pine Meadows Lane, Rushford, MN 55971, Air Force Lodge, 14 Summit Drive, Minot, ND 58705 and 21871 East Berry Lane, Centennial, CO 80015.

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

Members Absent: None

Student Member: Anna Kjos

Administration Present: Superintendent Charles Ehler, Jake Timm, Angela Shepard and Lisa Lawston

Activities Director: Dan Bieberdorf

District Office Personnel: Laura Hahn

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moved by Prinsen seconded by Howe to adopt the agenda with the following additions: New Business item 8.J. Authorize Superintendent Ehler to advertise for quotes for Property, Liability and Worker's Compensation Insurance. 8.K. Discussion items: 1. Superintendent Evaluation and 2. School Board Self-Evaluation. Per Director Mierau – Add New Business Item 8.L. Hire the current assistant boys basketball coach and M. Discussion regarding school bussing and bullying. Motion carried unanimously.

There were no public comments.

Moved by Howe, seconded by Koop to approve the following consent agenda items; March 19, 2018 Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes, Donations in the amount of \$2,150, March hand payables, wires & payroll liabilities in the amount of \$205,493.03, March payroll in the amount of \$342,911.51, April board bills in the amount of \$137,986.69, Personnel: Leave of absence request for Dena Mathison, Leave of absence request for Tracy Smith, Resignation of Nina Torkelson - Student Council and WE Group Advisor and Resignation of Tom Vix - Head Boys Basketball Coach. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ehler thanked Coach Tom Vix for his 30 plus years of dedicated coaching at Rushford and Rushford-Peterson schools.

Moved by Iverson, seconded by Prinsen to approve the second reading and adopt the following policies: #506 - Student Discipline & Notice of Suspension, #514 - Bullying Prohibition Policy, #522 - Student Sex Nondiscrimination (Title IX) & Unlawful Sex Discrimination Towards a Student Report Form, #524 - Internet Acceptable Use & Safety Policy & Internet Use Agreement - Student Form. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Iverson, seconded by Koop to approve adding the following positions to the theatre program for the fall play: Vocal Assistant, Musical Assistant, Choreographer and Technical Assistant. Each position will receive a \$750 stipend. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Koop, seconded by Prinsen to set the date for a special meeting to approve the proposal for the Athletic Field Enhancements Project and approve the contracts and salaries for district personnel. The meeting was set for Monday, April 30, 2018 at 5:30 PM in the Forum Room. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Mierau, seconded by Iverson to table the following agenda item until next month's meeting: Approve the purchase of a Gravely lawn mower from M & M Lawn & Leisure. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Mierau, seconded by Prinsen to approve Superintendent Ehler as the Identified Official with Authority for MDE's secure website access. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Prinsen, seconded by Pettit to authorize Superintendent Ehler to advertise for bread quotes for the 2018-2019 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Prinsen, seconded by Pettit to approve the Bus Transportation Contract with Bernard Bus Service for the 2018-19 & 2019-20 school years. Motion carries with Howe opposing.

Moved by Iverson, seconded by Koop to approve the first reading of the following policies: #503 - Student Attendance, #504 - Student Dress and Appearance, #505 - Distribution of Non-school-Sponsored Materials on School Premises by Students and Employees, #507 - Corporal Punishment and #508 - Extended School Year for Certain Students with Individualized Education Programs. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pettit, seconded by Prinsen to approve the Resolution Approving the Sale of Peterson School Site Parcels. Motion carries with a roll call vote of 7:0.

Moved by Howe, seconded by Mierau to authorize Superintendent Ehler to advertise for quotes for Property, Liability and Workmen's Compensation Insurance. Motion carried unanimously.

The board discussed the timeline for the Superintendent Evaluation and School Board Self-Evaluation.

Moved by Iverson, seconded by Prinsen to have the board complete the Superintendent Evaluation. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Mierau, seconded by Pettit to hire Chris Drinkall as the Head Boys' Basketball Coach. With a vote of 2:5 (In favor: Mierau, Pettit | Against: Howe, Iverson, Koop, Linder) motion fails.

Director Mierau made a motion to advertise for the position as soon as possible and follow normal hiring procedures. The motion was seconded by Koop. Motion carried unanimously.

There was a discussion among administration and the board regarding district bussing and bullying policies and procedures. Director Mierau recommended having cameras on all school busses. Mr. Ehler will check with Bernard Bus Service on the cost associated with equipping all busses with cameras.

Superintendent Ehler presented the Superintendent.

Lisa Lawston presented the Community Education report.

Angela Shepard presented the Elementary Principal's report.

Jake Timm presented the Middle School/High School Principal's report.

Dan Bieberdorf presented the Activities Director's report.

INFORMATION:

A special meeting will be held on Monday, April 30, 2018 at 5:30 PM in the Rushford-Peterson Schools Forum Room.

The next regular monthly board meeting will be on Monday, May 21, 2018 at 5:30 PM in the Rushford-Peterson Schools Forum Room, 1000 Pine Meadows Lane, Rushford.

Moved by Prinsen, seconded by Howe, to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:12 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

John Linder, Chairperson

Bonnie Prinsen, Clerk