

Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting

Of the School Board of Independent School District No. 709 held at: Duluth East High School Media Center, 301 North Fortieth Avenue East, Duluth, Minnesota 55804, on

Tuesday, November 15, 2022

Members Present

Kelly Durick Eder
David Kirby
Rosie Loeffler-Kemp
Jill Lofald
Amber Sadowski
Paul Sandholm

Others Present:

John Magas, Superintendent
Patty Paquette, Secretary

Student Representatives:

Sariyah Crawford (Denfeld)
Ailee Naus (East)

Absent:

Alanna Oswald

- Chair Lofald called the Regular School Board meeting November 15, 2022 to order at 6:30 p.m.

M-Sandholm, S-Loeffler-Kemp, to approve the agenda. Upon a vote, the same was approved – 6-0.

School and Community Recognition

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School and Community Recognition will be postponed until the December School Board meeting due to recipients unexpectedly unable to attend tonight's meeting.

Public Comments

November 2022

Johanna Cummins spoke to the school board regarding world language in middle school.

Charlotte Ascheman spoke to the school board regarding world language in middle school.

Chelsea Adatte spoke to the school board regarding mental health support and caseloads at Myers-Wilkins.

Heidi Schuchman spoke to the school board regarding Be Smart – safe gun storage.

Carol Marsh spoke to the school board regarding Be Smart – safe gun storage.

Sarah Mikesell spoke to the school board regarding Be Smart – safe gun storage.

Kevin Hoeschen spoke to thank the school board.

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Stacey Atherhoff spoke to the school board regarding union issues.

Hailey Siafus spoke to the school board regarding world language pre-planning.

Communications, Petitions, Etc.

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Chair Lofald stated one communication was received.

Superintendent's Report

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Ailee Naus gave the East Student Representative report.

Sariyah Crawford gave the Denfeld Student Representative report.

Superintendent Magas presented the Superintendent's Report. Topics included the following:

- School Board Work Session Update
- Strategic Planning Update
- Elementary and Secondary Scheduling Updates
- Music Supports Update
- Community and Schools Outreach Update

Monthly Committee of the Whole Report

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Assistant Superintendent Bonds, presented the Committee of the Whole report which was available electronically to each school board member.

Human Resources/Business Services Committee Report

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Member Durick Eder presented the Human Resources/Business Services Committee report which was available electronically to each school board member.

Policy Committee Report

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Member Loeffler-Kemp presented the Policy Committee report which was available electronically to each school board member.

General Board Committee Updates

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Consent Agenda

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M-Durick Eder, S-Sandholm – to approve the Consent Agenda. Upon a vote on the consent agenda, the same was approved – 6-0.

Resolutions from Committee Reports

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B-11-22-3921- Acceptance of Donations to Duluth Public Schools

M-Kirby, S-Sadowski to approve B-11-22-3921 Acceptance of Donations to Duluth Public Schools. Upon a vote, the same was approved – 6-0.

B-11-22-3922 Acceptance of Grant Awards to Duluth Public Schools

M-Sandholm, S-Kirby to approve B-11-22-3922 Acceptance of Grant Awards to Duluth Public Schools. Upon a vote, the same was approved – 6-0.

Special Resolutions/Other Action Items

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SP-11-22-3923-Safe Firearm Storage Resolution

M-Loeffler-Kemp, S-Kirby to approve SP-11-22-3923 Safe Firearm Resolution. Upon a vote, the same was approved – 6-0.

Approval of Licensure Variances

The board was informed that a Community Education Coordinator was hired that does not have the Community Education Directors License and a variance is being sought through the Board of School Administrators. Upon a vote, the same was approved – 6-0.

The board was informed that an Assistant Director of Special Education was hired that does not have the Special Education Directors License and a variance is being sought through the Board of School Administrators. Upon a vote, the same was approved – 6-0.

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Superintendent Contract

M-Lofald, S-Durick Eder to approve the Superintendent Contract. Upon a vote, the same was approved – 6-0.

Other
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None

M-Eder, S-Sadowski to adjourn the meeting. Upon a vote, the same was approved 6-0.

➤ Chair Lofald adjourned the Regular School Board Meeting of November 15, 2022 at 8:37 p.m.