# Minutes of the Regular 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

Tuesday, June 20, 2017

<u>Members Present</u>: Annie Harala Art Johnston David Kirby Rosie Loeffler-Kemp Alanna Oswald Nora Sandstad Harry Welty <u>Others Present:</u> Bill Gronseth, Superintendent Doug Hasler, Deputy Clerk Jackie Dolentz, Secretary

> <u>Student Representatives:</u> Benjamin Emmel Cabrilla Francis

> Chair Kirby called the Regular School Board Meeting of June 20, 2017 to order at 6:30 p.m., and the pledge of allegiance to the American flag was given.

# M-Harala, S-Welty, to approve the agenda as presented.

Chair Kirby asked School Board members if there was any discussion on the agenda.

#### Upon a vote, the agenda was approved as presented – unanimously.

Chair Kirby asked School Board members if there were any corrections or changes to the minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting of May 16, 2017.

# <u>M-Kirby, S-Welty, to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2017 Regular School Board</u> <u>Meeting as presented. Upon a vote, the same was approved – unanimously.</u>

Chair Kirby asked School Board members if there were any corrections or changes to the minutes of the Special School Board Meeting of May 30, 2017.

# <u>M-Welty, S-Oswald, to approve the minutes of the May 30, 2017 Special School Board</u> <u>Meeting as presented. Upon a vote, the same was approved – unanimously.</u>

Chair Kirby asked School Board members if there were any corrections or changes to the minutes of the Special School Board Meeting of May 31, 2017.

# <u>M-Harala, S-Welty, to approve the minutes of the May 31, 2017 Special School Board</u> <u>Meeting as presented. Upon a vote, the same was approved – unanimously.</u>

Chair Kirby asked School Board members if there were any corrections or changes to the minutes of the Special School Board Meeting of June 5, 2017.

# <u>M-Loeffler-Kemp, S-Welty, to approve the minutes of the June 5, 2017 Special School</u> <u>Board Meeting as presented. Upon a vote, the same was approved – unanimously.</u>

# **School and Community Recognition**

June 2017

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Members of the Board, this month I'm pleased to present Alyssa Isaacson and Keeli Gustafson, Denfeld High School, for recognition. Alyssa and Keeli took the top two spots in the Minnesota 2017 Esri ArcGIS Map Competition. The contest challenges students to create and share maps about something in their home states. This year's topic focused on mapping topics located within 50 miles of the student's hometown. GIS professionals judged each entry based on Topic, Map Presentation, Cartography, Data, Geographic Analysis and Documentation. Keeli earned second place in the State high school division for "Morgan Park Minnesota," a history of the nation's first company town. Alyssa took first place in both the State and National high school division for her project "Minnesota Iron Range Mines," an in-depth look at the economic and community impact of iron mines in Minnesota. Alyssa and her teacher, Gina Hollinday, will be honored at the Esri User Conference in San Diego in July. Congratulations to these outstanding students and their teacher for their achievements at both the state and national level!

#### Public Comments June 2017 \*\*\*\*

Member Harala read the Eleven Tools of Civility.

Bernie Burnham, 4130 West Superior Street, wanted to thank the Board for the teacher negotiation process and spoke to the School Board about the principal assignments within the District.

Kevin Skwira-Brown, 2702 Northridge Drive, a member of the Community Based School Equity Initiative, discussed the compensatory education funds and how they are distributed within the District.

Brad Bennett, 1 Pinenut Circle, spoke to the School Board about the principal assignments within the District.

Melissa Janzen, 6154 Howard Gnesen Road, spoke to the School Board about the principal assignments within the District.

Leonard Johnson, 127 South 61st Avenue West, spoke to the School Board about the principal assignments within the District.

Catherine Nachbar, 5118 Colorado Street, spoke to the School Board about the teacher contract negotiations and the process used.

Stephanie Randby, 2605 Ogden Avenue, spoke to the School Board about the principal assignments within the District.

Wendy Berg, 1127 North Central Avenue, spoke to the School Board about the principal assignments within the District.

Stephanie Dietrich, 301 North 54<sup>th</sup> Avenue West, spoke to the School Board about the principal assignments within the District.

Lynn Kuehnow, 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue West, spoke to the School Board about the principal assignments within the District.

Marcia Stromgren, 6179 Lakewood Road, spoke to the School Board about student transportation and the vacant buildings for sale.

#### <u>Communications, Petitions, Etc.</u> June 2017 \*\*\*\*

06/12/17 A letter addressed to the School Board from MaryJo Twight regarding the lack of control and respect during commencement ceremonies.

#### Superintendent's Report June 2017 \*\*\*\*

The graduations are done and summer has begun! One might think schools are pretty quiet during the summer, but I know that summer school is underway and we have students, teachers and principals working throughout the district.

Today we had a number of staff come to Old Central to train on developing profiles of practice. It's one of the ways we're working to ensure new achievement strategies are implemented with fidelity. Basically, staff come together to describe each stage of implementation; what the strategy looks like at the beginning stages all the way through to full implementation. It helps staff better understand the strategy and what we'll be looking for when we do classroom observations and walkthroughs. Thank you to Principal Jen Larva and Assistant Superintendent Starzecki for facilitating this training.

I am sorry to report, that last weekend someone intentionally set a fire on the Lester Park Playground. We want to thank Police and firefighters who responded quickly and contained the fire. We did lose one event on the playground, and some of the mulch was damaged. In total, there was about \$45,000 in damage. It does sound like there was a report to the hotline regarding who might have started the fire, and the investigation is still in process. If the person or people are identified, the district will be seeking restitution. We encourage anyone with further information to contact The MN Arson Reward Project at 1-800-723-2020. Hopefully we will be able to resolve this matter quickly. On a more positive note, I also want to be sure to mention that free meals for children, breakfast and lunch, are available over the summer. Adults accompanying children can purchase a meal for \$3.85. Meals will be available now until August 25. No paperwork is necessary to receive the meals. Breakfast is served from 8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. and lunch is served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Meals are being served at the following locations: Lester Park Elementary; Lowell Elementary; Myers-Wilkins Elementary; Piedmont Elementary; Laura MacArthur Elementary; Stowe Elementary, Lincoln Middle School and Denfeld High School. Any age children (under the age of 18) can go to any of these locations for free breakfast or lunch.

Denfeld High School: Student Representative Ben Emmel went over the sports wrap up for the school year. Golf and baseball did well. The All Night Grad Party was a success and Honor Court crowned their king and queen. \$3.9M in scholarships were offered to the Senior class! Fine Arts Night was also a success as students showed off their art and music skills. Graduation had 191 students graduates walk across the stage and they can now call themselves Denfeld alumni. The Outdoor Concert was fantastic and the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Senior Walk happened as seniors walked through Duluth elementary schools to motivate the younger students. Seniors were also given a tour of the entire Denfeld building from the "bowels" to the top of the tower, roughly seven stories tall!

Duluth East High School: Student Representative Cabrilla Francis mentioned that the last student forum meeting had celebratory root beer floats while discussing various items such as MCA scores, effectiveness of the Coach for Homelessness, highlights of the school year, expectations for the upcoming year and bring a Dollar for a Hat for a Cat campaign that was donated to Animal Allies. Team sports ended well with the Robotics team state champions, boys tennis team had members compete at state, and the track team had their end of year banquet. The Catsby Run had its first annual run this year to honor a famous neighborhood feline who was considered the school's second mascot. The National Ride Your Bike to School day was a huge success and a student advanced to nationals cooking. End of the year concerts were wonderful and will be hard to top next year! Honors Night and the All Night Grad party were also successful with everyone having a good time. The graduation ceremony for the school was both happy and sad.

#### Education Committee Report June 2017 \*\*\*\*

Member Loeffler-Kemp presented the Education Committee Report, a copy of same being in the hands of each School Board member.

Member Loeffler-Kemp presented the resolution:

# **RESOLUTION**

Acceptance of Grant Awards to Duluth Public Schools

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 465.03 requires a school district to accept grants by resolution expressed in the terms prescribed by the donor in full; and,

WHEREAS, acceptance of the grant in accordance with the donor's terms is in the best interest of the Duluth Public Schools:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Duluth Public Schools does accept the below-described grants from said organizations in accordance with the terms set forth herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Duluth Public Schools wishes to extend its grateful appreciation to this organization.

Organization	Author / Contact	Project Title	Award Amount	Terms
Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation – Scott D. Anderson Leadership Foundation Fund and the Community Leaders Fund	Chris Peterson	Scott Anderson Leadership Forum	\$24,017	Funds from these grants will support the annual week-long Scott Anderson Leadership Forum.

E-6-17-3458

June 20, 2017

<u>M-Loeffler-Kemp, S-Sandstad, to approve Resolution E-6-17-3458 – Acceptance of Grant</u> <u>Awards to the Duluth Public Schools. Upon a vote, the same was approved – unanimously.</u>

# <u>M-Loeffler-Kemp, S-Oswald, to approve the remainder of the Education Committee</u> <u>Report.</u>

Member Harala withheld Item 2.B.

Member Harala withheld item 2.B. Wellness Policy to highlight positive changes to the policy and the great input received from several groups in the community.

Discussion took place regarding this item.

# <u>Upon a vote, the remainder of the Education Committee Report was approved –</u> <u>unanimously</u>

# Human Resources Committee Report June 2017

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Member Sandstad presented the Human Resources Committee report, a copy of same being in the hands of each School Board member.

Member Sandstad presented the resolution:

#### RESOLUTION

Termination of Certified Hourly Staff

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that the employment of the following hourly teachers shall terminate effective at the end of the school day on June 9, 2017, unless another date is indicated below, in which case the employment of the individual shall terminate on that date.

Elizabeth Mayou Kaitlyn McKechnie Jeanne Rodberg

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the School Board shall notify such teachers in writing before July 1, 2017, of the termination of their employment.

HR-6-17-3454

June 20, 2017

<u>M-Sandstad, S-Oswald, to approve Resolution HR-6-17-3454 – Termination of Certified</u> <u>Hourly Staff. Upon a vote, the same was approved – unanimously.</u>

Member Sandstad presented the resolution:

#### **RESOLUTION**

Termination of Certified Probationary (Non-Tenured) Staff

WHEREAS, during the first three years of consecutive employment all teachers in the public schools in cities of the first class are deemed to be in a probational period of employment during which period the School Board may renew, or not renew, any teachers' annual contract as the School Board shall see fit. The term "teacher" includes every person regularly employed, as a principal, or to give instruction in a classroom, or to superintend or supervise classroom instruction, or as a placement teacher and visiting teacher.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board on Independent School District No. 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota that the employment contracts of the following probationary teachers shall not be renewed and their employment shall terminate at the end of the school day on June 9, 2017, unless another date is indicated below, in which case the employment of the particular teacher shall terminate on that date.

John Atella	Orobona			
Jenna Dickinson	Thomas Jack			
Molly Fletcher	Melissa Kliegle			
Sarah Grenberg	Patricia Kolar –			
Michael Hallgren	07/20/2017			
Tyler Henkels	Kristine Kolenz			
Stacey Hewitt-	Abby Norton			

Kari Romano Julia Sampson Barbara Swanson Karen Tokarczyk Douglas Yates

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Clerk of the School Board shall notify such teachers in writing before July 1, 2017, of the termination of their employment.

HR-6-17-3455

June 20, 2017

# <u>M-Sandstad, S-Oswald, to approve Resolution HR-6-17-3455 – Termination of Certified</u> <u>Probationary (Non-Tenured) Staff.</u>

Discussion took place regarding this item.

# <u>Upon a vote, the same was approved – 6-1 as follows:</u> <u>Yea: Harala, Kirby, Loeffler-Kemp, Oswald, Sandstad, Welty</u> <u>Nay: Johnston</u>

Member Sandstad presented the resolution:

#### RESOLUTION

#### Termination of Certified Tenured Staff

WHEREAS, enrollment in the School District is declining;

WHEREAS, during the 2017-18 school year, the District will lack a sufficient number of pupils to support all tenured teachers currently employed by the District;

WHEREAS, the School Board has found it necessary to discontinue certain positions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, as follows:

1. The Board proposes that the employment of the following tenured teachers terminate effective at the end of the school day on June 9, 2017, unless another date is indicated below, due to discontinuance of position or lack of pupils.

2. The Clerk of the School Board shall notify all such teachers in writing of the proposed layoff, the grounds for the proposed layoff, and the right to request a hearing within ten (10) calendar days after receiving said notice. The Clerk shall also notify all such teachers that if they fail to request a hearing within ten (10) days, they will be deemed to have acquiesced in the Board's action.

HR-6-17-3456

June 20, 2017

#### This resolution was pulled as it was not needed.

Member Sandstad presented the resolution:

#### **RESOLUTION**

Duluth Federation of Teachers Local 692, A.F.T.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District #709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that the Collective Bargaining Agreements between Independent School District #709 and the Duluth Federation of Teachers Local 692, A.F.T., a summary of which is in the hands of all School Board members, be approved and adopted for the periods July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2019, and July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021 inclusive, and that the Chairperson and Clerk of the School Board be hereby authorized to execute said Agreement on behalf of the School District.

HR-6-17-3459

June 20, 2017

# <u>M-Sandstad, S-Harala, to approve Resolution HR-6-17-3459 – Duluth Federation of Teachers Local 692, A.F.T.</u>

Discussion took place regarding this item.

#### <u>Upon a vote, the same was approved 6-1 as follows:</u> <u>Yea: Harala, Kirby, Johnston, Loeffler-Kemp, Oswald, Sandstad</u> <u>Nay: Welty</u>

<u>M-Welty, S-Sandstad, to approve the remainder of the Human Resource Committee</u> <u>Report. Upon a vote, the same was approved - unanimously.</u>

# Business Committee Report June 2017

Member Harala presented the Business Committee Report, a copy of same being in the hands of each School Board member.

Member Harala presented the resolution:

# RESOLUTION

Acceptance of Donations to Duluth Public Schools

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 465.03 requires a school district to accept donations by resolution expressed in the terms prescribed by the donor in full; and,

WHEREAS, acceptance of the donations in accordance with the donor's terms is in the best interest of the Duluth Public Schools:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Duluth Public Schools does accept the below-described donations from said organizations in accordance with the terms set forth herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Duluth Public Schools wishes to extend its grateful appreciation to these organizations.

SCHOOL	DONOR	AMOUNT	RESTRICTION	
Denfeld	Howard J & Barb Ignatius Fund	\$2,066.50	Technology	
Denfeld	Art Johnston	\$80.00	Stand to hold a chair swing	
Denfeld	Jim Arndt	In Kind	Denfeld Automotive Technology department (1998 Buick LeSabre)	
Denfeld	Joan Lancour & Kenneth Wilcox	\$40.00	Track	
Denfeld	Keith & Claudia Anderson	\$100.00	Spring play	
Denfeld	Kiwanis Club of Spirit Valley Duluth	\$100.00	Key Club	
Denfeld	Margot Klaber	In Kind	Denfeld Automotive Technology department (1992 Toyota Camry LE)	
Denfeld	Minitmart 554	\$500.00	General Fund Tonya Sconiers	
Denfeld	MN Health Occupations Students of America	\$500.00	HOSA membership conference fees	
Denfeld	Pachel Foundation c/o North Shore Investments & Trust	\$3,500.00	Speech	
Denfeld	Wells Fargo Foundation	\$1,000.00	General operating expenses	
East	Duluth Teachers Credit Union	\$250.00	Sterling Strings	
East	Duluth East High School Foundation	\$1,000.00	Activities	
East	Duluth East High School Foundation	\$500.00	Drama department	
East	Duluth East High School Foundation	\$1,500.00	FFA	
East	Full Circle Sr. Living Diamond Willow	\$100.00	Sterling Strings	
East	Lynn Wagner	\$250.00	Sterling Strings	
Lakewood	Benton Stearns Education District	\$2,300.00	PBIS intervention & supports	
Lakewood	MN Association for Health, Phy Ed, Recreation & Dance		Phy-ed equipment	
Laura MacArthur	Cindy French	\$60.00	3rd grade field trip	
Laura MacArthur	McDonalds	\$517.50	None	
Lincoln Park	Essentia Health	\$500.00	Walking Club (purchase incentives for participation)	

Lincoln Park	Mini Mart - Matt Glibota	\$500.00	Math/Science
Myers-Wilkins	Anonymous	\$50.00	For students with negative lunch
			balances
Myers-Wilkins	Box Tops for Education	\$244.90	None
Myers-Wilkins	David & Diana Hill	\$120.00	Bus passes for families
Myers-Wilkins	Debora Zauhar	\$100.00	None
Ordean-East	MN Association of Secondary	ssociation of Secondary \$100.00	
	School Principals	\$100.00	None
Ordean-East	Parents and attendees	\$1,404.51	Choir
Ordean-East	Peter A Good & Deanna L Notaro	\$50.00	Garden Club greenhouse
Stowe	Debbie Isabell-Nelson	\$400.00	For students with negative lunch
		\$400.00	balances
	Totals	\$18,333.41	

B-6-17-3460

June 20, 2017

# <u>M-Harala, S-Loeffler-Kemp, to approve Resolution B-6-17-3460</u> – Acceptance of <u>Donations to Duluth Public Schools.</u>

Discussion took place regarding this item.

# Upon a vote, the same was approved – unanimously.

Member Harala presented the resolution:

# RESOLUTION

Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2018 Budget

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of School District No. 709, St. Louis County, State of Minnesota, that the fiscal year 2018 budget as presented to the School Board, be adopted.

Resolution B-6-17-3461

June 20, 2017

# <u>M-Harala, S-Sandstad, to approve Resolution B-6-17-3461 – Adoption of the Fiscal Year</u> 2018 Budget.

<u>M-Johnston, S-Oswald, be it further resolved by the School Board of ISD 709, that the</u> <u>District commit to a multi-year alignment of Compensatory Education funds to stay at the</u> <u>school where generated.</u>

Discussion took place regarding this item.

# <u>Upon a vote, the motion to have compensatory education funds stay at the school where</u> <u>generated was approved - unanimously</u>

Discussion continued regarding the 2018 budget.

# <u>Upon a vote to approve the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2018 Budget, the same passed as amended 6-1 as follows:</u> <u>Yea: Harala, Johnston, Kirby, Loeffler-Kemp, Sandstad, Welty</u> <u>Nay: Oswald</u>

Member Harala presented the resolution:

# **RESOLUTION**

Reassessment of Debt Load for Duluth Public Schools

WHEREAS, the \$315 million Long Range Facilities Plan was financed by eight debt obligations; and,

WHEREAS, one of these debt obligations is a Bond and seven are Certificates of Participation (COP); and,

WHEREAS, COPs have higher interest rates than bonds; and,

WHEREAS, the remaining principal is about \$240 million; and,

WHEREAS, the debt obligations were set up to have low payments at the start and then increase in payment amount (and interest rates) until they are paid off; and,

WHEREAS, the effective annual interest rate on all the debt obligations is 4.0%; and, WHEREAS, the current bond market interest rates are hovering around 2%; and,

WHEREAS, total annual payments are \$23 million and will increase to \$31 million in ten years; and,

WHEREAS, if the debt obligations were refunded (refinanced) at 2% for 20 years, the annual payments would be only \$15 million (versus the current \$23 million to \$31 million); and,

WHEREAS, during refunding, there will be defeasement and re-issuance costs, depending on the authority that they were issued under, that need further investigation; and,

WHEREAS, COP 2009A, issued under Minn. Stat. § 126C.40 (Capital Levies), can be paid out of tax levy or General Fund revenue, with \$13 million paid out of the General Fund from 2010 to 2013; and,

WHEREAS, COPs 2009B, 2010D, and 2012B were issued under Minn. Stat. § 465.71 (Installment, Lease Purchase; City, County, Town, School) and MUST be paid out of the General Fund, with \$24 million having been paid out of the General Fund through 2018; and,

WHEREAS, in 2018 \$3.3 million will be pulled from the General Fund; and,

WHEREAS, if an alternative to paying out of the General Fund isn't found for these COPs, \$80 million will have been extracted from the General Fund over the next 15 years; and,

WHEREAS, the District has been running about \$3 million in budget deficits (totaling \$24 million for the last 8 years), has nearly eliminated reserve funds, is having a difficult time meeting basic conditions requiring money, and must take out loans to do basic improvement work; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to eliminate the General Fund transfer to free up money to reduce class size, eliminate the achievement gap, and increase our attractiveness to parents by reinstating seven period days; and,

WHEREAS, refunding our debts can eliminate the General Fund transfer and if done promptly, can reduce the property tax levy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Duluth School Board form a committee with staff from Administration to investigate and determine alternatives to the current funding scheme to take advantage of low interest rates by refunding the COPs and bond as their authority allows. This committee will report back to the School Board by the August regular meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Duluth School Board request assistance from the State legislative delegation to explore legislative fixes and research subsidies to eliminate any further General Fund transfers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Duluth School Board requests legal advice and financial counsel to get second opinions on legal and financial ramifications to carry out the objectives of this resolution.

Resolution B-6-17-3462

June 20, 2017

# <u>M-Johnston, S-Welty, to approve Resolution B-6-17-3462 – Reassessment of Debt Load for Duluth Public Schools.</u>

Discussion took place regarding this item.

# <u>M-Sandstad, S-Johnston, to substitute the above stated Resolution with the following updated wording for Resolution B-6-17-3462:</u>

# RESOLUTION

Reassessment of Debt Load for Duluth Public Schools

WHEREAS, Certificates of Participation (COPs) 2009B, 2010D and 2012B must be paid out of the General Fund without legislative change, and

WHEREAS, the School Board of ISD 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, wishes to eliminate payment of these COPs to free up funds to invest in classrooms to eliminate the achievement gap, reduce class size, and invest in early childhood education,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board of ISD 709 supports legislation permitting payment of the aforementioned COPs from sources other than the general fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the School Board strongly encourages our administration and advisers to seek out alternatives to the present debt repayment structure to conserve District resources.

Discussion took place regarding this item.

<u>Upon a vote, the substituted wording for Resolution B-6-17-3462 passed 5-1-1 as follows:</u> <u>Yea: Harala, Johnston, Loeffler-Kemp, Sandstad, Welty</u> <u>Nay: Kirby</u> <u>Abstain: Oswald</u>

### <u>Upon a vote, the substituted resolution was then approved 5-1-1 as follows:</u> <u>Yea: Harala, Johnston, Loeffler-Kemp, Sandstad, Welty</u> <u>Nay: Kirby</u> <u>Abstain: Oswald</u>

Member Harala presented the resolution:

#### **RESOLUTION**

Support for Lowell Elementary School Forest Designation

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District 709 recognizes that a School Forest would have a positive impact on students, teachers, parents, and the community where students would learn a variety of subjects and have a place that enhances an appreciation of natural resources and heightens community pride and involvement; and

WHEREAS, Lowell Elementary School students, parents, staff, and community members wish to begin the process of establishing the Lowell School Forest as depicted on Exhibit A attached hereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the School Board of Independent School District 709 supports the establishment of the Lowell School Forest and outdoor classroom comprising of the wooded sections approximately the following:

- Block 6: Lots 1-10, Triggs and Kennedys Addition, including adjacent vacated Madison Avenue and Cortez Street
- Block 7: Lots 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 Triggs and Kennedys Addition, including adjacent vacated Madison Avenue
- Block 9: Lots 9-16 Triggs and Kennedys Addition, including adjacent vacated Connecticut Avenue
- Block 10: Lots 7-16 Triggs and Kennedys Addition, including adjacent vacated Connecticut Avenue
- Block 11: Lots 2, 4, 6 Triggs and Kennedys Addition, including adjacent vacated Cortez Street

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Board of Independent School District 709 supports enrollment of said school forest in the Minnesota DNR School Forest Program for educational purposes.

Resolution B-6-17-3463

June 20, 2017

#### <u>M-Harala, S-Sandstad, to approve Resolution B-6-17-3463 – Support for Lowell</u> Elementary School Forest Designation.

Discussion took place regarding this item.

#### <u>Upon a vote, the same approved – unanimously.</u>

# M-Harala, S-Loeffler-Kemp, to approve the remainder of the Business Committee Report.

Member Johnston withheld Item 1.F. Member Johnston withheld 2.A.1) and asked for a separate vote

Member Johnston withheld Item 1.F. APU Projections to voice his concern regarding falling enrollment numbers.

Member Johnston withheld Item 2.A.1) Bid 1258-1 District-wide Playground Rubber Mulch Replacement to express concern regarding the cost.

Discussion took place regarding this item.

# <u>Upon a vote, 2.A.1) Bid 1258-1 District-wide Playground Rubber Mulch Replacement was approved - unanimously.</u>

<u>Upon a vote, the remainder of the Business Committee Report was approved –</u> <u>unanimously.</u>

#### Questions/Other June 2017 \*\*\*\*

Chair Kirby mentioned only two Board members had participated in the board survey. There are only a few days left so a reminder to complete the survey.

# <u>M-Sandstad, S-Loeffler-Kemp, to adjourn the meeting.</u> Upon a vote, the same passed – <u>unanimously.</u>

> Chair Kirby adjourned the Regular School Board Meeting of June 20, 2017 at 10:11 p.m.