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Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, March 25, 2013
Board Room, Roosevelt 104, 6:00 PM

AGENDA

AMENDED

1. Call to Order of regular meeting.
The Chair will call the meeting to order using the gavel if necessary. **The Chair will request those with communication devices to either turn them off or place them on silent mode.** This may be a good time to introduce any special guests.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
The Chair will ask the members and audience to face the flag for the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Consider additions or deletions to the agenda.
If members have items to be added to the agenda, now is the time. **If you have items that you want removed from the agenda, or removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion, make the request at this time.** The Chair will call for a motion and second to approve the agenda.
4. Recognition of visitors and public input regarding the meeting agenda.
The Chair will ask the audience if they have any comments on the items on the agenda. This gives the public the opportunity to comment on issues prior to Board decisions/action.
5. Consider Consent Agenda:
The Chair will ask for a motion to accept the Consent Agenda as presented or amended. With a motion and a second, the Chair will call for the vote.
 5. 1. Minutes of the March 11, 2013, regular meeting.
Please call Jane prior to the meeting if you have any questions.

5. 2. Minutes of the March 18, 2013, special meeting.
Please call Jane prior to the meeting if you have any questions.
5. 3. Cash on Hand Finance Report.
Please call Spencer prior to the meeting if you have any questions.
5. 4. Electronic Transfer Report for February, 2013
Please call Spencer prior to the meeting if you have any questions.
5. 5. \$50.00 donation to the Roosevelt Children's Closet from Harold Korpela.
Please accept the donation. Thank you Mr. Korpela!
5. 6. Resignation of secondary teacher Richard Odell effective at the end of the 2012-2013 school year, June 30, 2013.
Please accept the resignation of Mr Odell. Mr. Odell is retiring (again) from the district. We thank him for the many years of service!
6. Recognition/Reports:
 6. 1. Student Representative.
 6. 2. Parkview Principal.
Mr. Krebsbach will report on activity and events at Parkview. Please contact Mr. Krebsbach with any questions.
 6. 3. Superintendent.
Mr. Stender will report on activity in the district. Please contact Mr. Stender with any questions.
 6. 4. Finance Committee Minutes, March 13, 2013.
Please review the enclosed minutes and note the items of support. Please contact me with any questions or concerns.
 6. 5. Policy Committee.
 6. 6. Joint Legislative Session.
Board members Riordan, Stokes, and Surla along with superintendent Stender, attended the MSBA Joint Legislative Session on March 21 in St. Paul. Members met with Representatives Melin and Metsa and Senator Tomassoni to discuss legislation that impacts education and Virginia.
 6. 7. Highway 53 Project.
Chair Riordan will report on the Highway 53 Planning meeting he attended.
7. Administration:
 7. 1. Consider 2013-2014 school calendar.
Based on discussion at the March 18 Special Meeting, three calendars have

been drafted. After careful consideration and lengthy discussion, administration recommends version 2.1 of the school calendar as it adds 2 additional days of professional development. This option decreases student contact by 2 days. We believe that the additional professional development will provide for great instruction and student achievement. Please contact Mr. Stender with any questions.

7. 2. Consider Schedule and Proposals for Repurposing Instructional Space.

Administration has studied and carefully reviewed space utilization options to accommodate our student and staff needs. This is a preliminary proposal for board review and approval. Approving this allows administration to continue with planning. Please contact Superintendent Stender with any questions. Please approve.

7. 3. Consider authorizing hiring fulltime technology director.

Please consider administrations recommendation to hire a fulltime technology director. Administration has restructured the current model for technology services to provide increased onsite support, training, and services. The Finance and Facilities Committees support the proposed model that repurposes funds and does not increase costs to the district. Please see the attached sheet illustrating the staff, time, and costs of the current model and proposed model. This model is contingent upon the hiring of a highly skilled and qualified applicant. Please contact Mr. Aune or Mr. Stender with any questions. Please approve.

7. 4. Consider 2013-2014 Technology Service Agreement with the Northland Special Education Cooperative.

This is an agreement that generates revenue for the district to help it support a fulltime Technology Director. Administration has met with the NSEC Director to discuss and review the needs and support services necessary for this agreement to support each organization. The NSEC Board of Directors has approved the agreement. This agreement can be reviewed and considered annually. This agreement is contingent upon the hiring of a highly skilled and qualified applicant. Please contact Mr. Aune or Mr. Stender with any questions. Please approve.

7. 5. Reduction of fulltime AFSCME position to parttime.

We do not anticipate the employee who held the position to return to work. Since September, the district has filled the position with a temporary employee on a part time basis. An analysis of time and costs has been conducted and based on the results, administration recommends the position

be filled with a parttime employee.

8. Personnel:

8. 1. Consider Resolution Discontinuing and Reducing Educational Programs and Positions.

ROLL CALL VOTE On January 14, 2013, the School Board passed a Resolution directing the administration to make recommendations for reductions in programs and positions. Based on student registration, there is a decreased interest and participation in foreign language. Administration recommends a reduction of 0.4FTE in foreign language. The second step is for the Board to approve a Resolution Proposing to Place Employee(s) on Unrequested Leave of Absence. Please see the attached resolution and contact Superintendent Stender with any questions. Please approve.

8. 2. Consider placing a teacher on ULA (part-time.)

ROLL CALL VOTE This is the second step in required procedures for placing tenured staff on ULA. This is a reduction of 0.4 FTE and is a result of decreased participation and enrollment in foreign language. Please review the attached resolution and contact Superintendent Stender with any questions. Please approve.

8. 3. Consider Resolution Relating to the Termination and Nonrenewal of a Teaching Contract.

ROLL CALL VOTE. This is a result of the reduction in social studies per the above reduction resolution. Please review the attached resolution and contact Superintendent Stender with any questions. Please approve.

8. 4. Consider Resolution Relating to the Termination and Nonrenewal of a Teaching Contract.

ROLL CALL VOTE. This is a result of the reduction in elementary per the above reduction resolution. Please review the attached resolution and contact Superintendent Stender with any questions. Please approve.

8. 5. Consider Resolution Relating to the Termination and Nonrenewal of a Teaching Contract.

ROLL CALL VOTE. Administration has completed the required evaluations and observations and recommends nonrenewal. Please review the attached resolution and contact Superintendent Stender with any questions. Please approve.

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8. 7. Consider Resolution Relating to the Termination and Nonrenewal of a Teaching Contract.

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9. Public input regarding meeting agenda.

The Chair will request comments from the audience regarding actions on agenda items from tonight's Board meeting.

10. Meeting Announcements:

10. 1. Regular meeting on Monday, April 8, 2013, at 6:00 P.M. in the Board Room, Roosevelt 104.

11. Adjournment.