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Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, November 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.
ACTION 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:
ACTION 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 November 12, 2013, regular meeting.
Please call Jane prior to the meeting if you have any questions.

5. 2. Cash on Hand Finance Report.
Please contact Mr. Aune with any questions.
5. 3. Electronic Transfer Report for October 2013.
Please contact Mr. Aune with any questions.
5. 4. Donation of site preparation material for the new storage building at Ewens Stadium from Ulland Bros.
We are grateful for the donation and support of the Virginia School District.
5. 5. Donation of the use of concrete forms for the new storage building at Ewens Stadium from the City of Virginia Public Works Department.
We are grateful for the donation and support of the Virginia School District.
5. 6. Donation of clothing and personal hygiene products from the Alpha Psi Sorority.
We are grateful for the donation and support of the Virginia School District.
5. 7. Resignation of secondary teacher Jeanna Tronnes effective November 22, 2013.
Please accept the resignation of Jeanna Tronnes. We thank her for her time and service with the district.
5. 8. Hire Marie Today for a 0.6 FTE secondary teaching position, science- 2013-2014, at BA, Step 1, effective November 25, 2013.
Administration has conducted the hiring process in accordance with district policy and practice. Please accept the following recommendation for hire to meet district staffing needs. Please contact Supt. Stender with any questions.
5. 9. Hire Heather Seppala for an ECFE teacher position.
Administration has conducted the hiring process in accordance with district policy and practice. Please accept the following recommendation for hire.
Please contact Supt. Stender with any questions.
5. 10. Hire Cindy Hare for a paraeducator position effective November 11, 2013.
Administration has conducted the hiring process in accordance with district policy and practice. Please accept the following recommendation for hire.
Please contact Supt. Stender with any questions.
5. 11. Hire Kelsey Radle for a paraeducator (library) position effective November 11, 2013.
Administration has conducted the hiring process in accordance with district policy and practice. Please accept the following recommendation for hire.

Please contact Supt. Stender with any questions.

5. 12. Hire Jill Matkovich for an ECFE aide position effective October 28, 2013.
Administration has conducted the hiring process in accordance with district policy and practice. Please accept the following recommendation for hire.
Please contact Supt. Stender with any questions.
5. 13. Hire Debra Avikainen for an ECFE aide position effective October 28, 2013.
Administration has conducted the hiring process in accordance with district policy and practice. Please accept the following recommendation for hire.
Please contact Supt. Stender with any questions.
5. 14. Hire Angela Turner for a playground aide position at Parkview Learning Center.
Administration has conducted the hiring process in accordance with district policy and practice. Please accept the following recommendation for hire.
Please contact Supt. Stender with any questions.
5. 15. Hire Amanda Lambert for a noon aide position at Parkview Learning Center.
Administration has conducted the hiring process in accordance with district policy and practice. Please accept the following recommendation for hire.
Please contact Supt. Stender with any questions.
5. 16. Hire Michael Schefers for a noon aide position at Parkview Learning Center.
Administration has conducted the hiring process in accordance with district policy and practice. Please accept the following recommendation for hire.
Please contact Supt. Stender with any questions.
5. 17. Six week leave of absence commencing the end of January 2014, for paraeducator Michelle Edblom.
Please approve the leave request in accordance with District policy and the AFSCME Master Agreement. Please contact Supt. Stender with any questions.

6. Reports/Recognition:

6. 1. Student Representative.
The student representative report is attached for your review.
6. 2. Roosevelt Elementary School Principal.
Mr. Spelts' report is attached. Please contact Mr. Spelts with any questions.
6. 3. Superintendent.
The superintendents report is attached. Please contact Mr. Stender with any questions.

6. 4. Board Member Reports.

Please contact the superintendent or school board chair prior to the meeting if you have an item you would like to report on.

6. 5. AFSCME Negotiations Meeting Minutes.

Meeting minutes are attached.

6. 6. Finance Committee Meeting Minutes.

Please find attached, the Finance Committee Minutes from November 19, 2013 and supporting documents. Please contact Supt. Stender if you have any questions.

7. Administration:

7. 1. Consider nominating a board director for a three (3) year term as a school board representative on the Arrowhead Regional Development Commission. Sunny currently holds one of the two school board representative positions on the ARDC. This term expires January 2014. Please support Sunny and her nomination.

ACTION

7. 2. Consider Superintendent's Goals.

The attached goals reflect the review and work of the administrative team. Through my leadership, I am fully responsible for meeting the benchmarks and developed goals. Please contact Supt. Stender with any questions.

ACTION

7. 3. Consider Board Goals.

Attached are the board developed goals from the school board working session on October 24, 2013. Please contact Supt. Stender with any questions.

ACTION

7. 4. Removed.

7. 5. Consider awarding contract for architect and planning services to Architectural Resources, Inc.

The District received five RFP's (mailed out RFP's to 17 vendors). The five are as

follows: DSGW, Architectural Resources Inc., ATS&R, SGNWendel, and Lawal Scott Erickson Architects, Inc. After reviewing proposals, administration recommended the Facilities Committee interview two firms. The Facilities

Committee and administration interviewed DSGW and Architectural Resources Inc., and is recommending that the school board enter into a contract with Architectural Resources Inc. The recommendation is based on quality services, response to District needs, understanding of the District, and structured fee. The agreement has been reviewed by the District's attorney. If you have any questions, please contact Supt. Stender.

ACTION

8. Public input regarding meeting agenda.

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

9. Meeting Announcements:

9. 1. Mediation with the VEA on Monday, November 25, 2013, at 9:00 A.M. in the Superintendent's Office.

9. 2. School Board Working Session on Monday, December 2, 2013 at 4:30 P.M. in the Board Room, Roosevelt 104.

9. 3. Our next regular meeting will be held on Monday, December 9, 2013, at 6:00 P.M. in the Board Room, Roosevelt 104.

9. 4. MSBA Leadership Conference, January 16-17, 2014, at the Minneapolis Convention Center.

There is no charge for the conference, but I must register you for the Recognition Luncheon and Early Bird sessions. The last day to cancel your room reservation without penalty is December 10th. Please let us know this evening if you are not planning on attending.

10. Adjournment.

The Chair will call for a motion and a second to adjourn the meeting.