

BRIEFS
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 553
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING, MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2013

CALL TO ORDER BY THE PRESIDENT- at 6:00 pm.

ATTENDANCE & DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM- All School Board Members plus Superintendent B. Novak, J. Brockway, M. Young-Lecoustre, M. Maki. Visitors J. Zesbaugh, B. Knoch, D. Geiser, M. Argall, M. Vogel, R. Brock, B. Tower, B. Theisen, S. Henrikson and C. Vandermay and E. Huwe of the press.

SETTING THE AGENDA TO DETERMINE THE ORDERS OF THE DAY- Approved.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES- Approved.

BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND APPROVAL OF BILLS- Approved.

PRESENTATIONS- Introduction of New Teaching staff; Bob Theisen– Bus Routes; Jodie Zesbaugh– Ehlers.

VISITOR COMMENTS- None.

BUILDING HAPPENINGS & REPORTS- Superintendent/Community Ed- Meetings: LCSC New Superintendent Meeting, MSBA Levy, MASA, Parent Aware; **Business Manager-** Meetings: Area business managers, Fall enrollment projection; **High School Principal-** Meetings: MDE Assessment, Rtl, LCSC, New Teachers, Fall Workshop, Seventh Grade orientation, Schedule 2013-2014; **Elementary Principal-** Meetings: Rtl, Evaluation, Eagle Pride, Phono-Graphix Training, Minnesota Reading Corp; **Activities Director-** Fall Sports numbers, Fall Sports Night recap, MSHSL Challenge Cup Ranking; **School Board-** LCSC Board Meeting Report– Rachel, Committee Meetings– None.

OLD BUSINESS- None.

CONSENT ITEMS- CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS-Select Account for HSA service, LCSC Wellness Incentive, Tender Hearts Home Care, M-State Concurrent Enrollment, Gifted/Talented Instructor with ISD #549, **MEETING DATES-** Truth in Taxation Meeting– December 16 at 6:00 pm; **GRANTS-** None; **DONATIONS-** Arvig Internet School Partnership Program- \$1348, NYM Lions- \$1000 for elementary football. Approved.

NEW BUSINESS

OUT OF DISTRICT BUS REQUESTS- Co Hwy 1, Ottertail, 2nd Street SW, Perham (Service Foods), Deer Creek Pickup (Deer Creek Stop), 2nd Street SW, Perham (Service Foods), Lake Avenue, Ottertail, 330th Street, Ottertail, 6th Avenue SE, Perham (Service Foods). Approved.
Fergus Avenue #2, Henning, Holden Ave. #104 Henning. Denied.

BUS ROUTES FOR 2013-2014- Approved.

HIGH SCHOOL GOALS- Approved.

Goal #1: The high school staff will continue to communicate and build relationships with students, parents, and the community. This will be identified by:

- Timely feedback for students with weekly grade updates
- Accommodating students with appropriate and timely interventions
- Deficiency reports at mid-quarter and midterm with a plan for improvement
- Parent –teacher conferences
- Teacher to parent personal communication as needed

Goal #2: The high school staff will improve the current level of instruction in all academic areas by clarifying essential learner outcomes for each course. This will be evident though clear course

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expectations, appropriate use of technology, rigorous academic tasks, and “research based best practice” to prepare students for the next level of learning.

Goal #3: In serving the whole child, the high school staff will work towards more collaboration and collegiality among staff. This will be identified by:

- Meeting in Professional Learning Communities (PLC) twice a month using the PLC protocol, which focuses on student progress toward proficiency on essential learner outcomes.
- Monthly department and grade level meetings.
- Monthly staff meetings.

ELEMENTARY GOALS- Approved.

Goal #1: (Student Achievement) The elementary staff will establish an active professional learning community that utilizes 21st Century skills and the best research/evidence based practices in order to challenge, inspire, and engage all learners and ensure that all students reach their full potential by setting personal goals that promote self-motivation, social, and academic achievement.

Goal #2: (Assessments) The elementary staff will increase student achievement by maximizing the use of assessments by analyzing, interpreting and sharing assessment data to guide and inform instructional decisions.

Goal #3: (Behavior) The elementary staff will consistently teach, model, and reinforce positive character traits by working together to foster an environment of respect and responsibility and will work to increase community awareness of our students who display positive character traits.

Goal #4: (Technology) The elementary staff will plan developmentally appropriate activities that provide students with opportunities to utilize technology skills as they accomplish curriculum objectives and will view technology as an educational tool to be used creatively, responsibly, and collaboratively for teaching and learning in order to solve problems and to access, analyze, present, and communicate information.

ACTION TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT AND REVIEW OF THE AID ANTICIPATION CERTIFICATE SALE REPORT- Approved.

BUS LEASE- Approved.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS- Elementary BET – 7/17/2013.

PERSONNEL CONSENT ITEMS- APPOINTMENTS- K. Bjorhus – Long Term Sub – Kindergarten, K. Koll – Ag teacher, P. Rogers – Cleaner 5 hours, L. Newman – Increase 2.0 hours, D. Geiser – JH Football and Elem Football, E. Niemi – JH Football, M. Argall - Special Ed Teacher, W. Thompson - Bus driver, T. Ekren – Jr High Volleyball, J. Boe – BBB Assistant, K. Welter – Football Cheer Advisor, T. Olson – Freshman Volleyball; **RESIGNATIONS-** K. Lee – Bus Driver, S. Perala – Cleaner, J. Rimpila – JH Football, K. Anderson – Bus Driver, J. Gunderson – School Nurse. Approved.

ADJOURNMENT–7:43 pm.

NEXT BOARD MEETINGS

Workshop - September 16, 2013 at 5:00 PM

Regular Meeting - September 23, 2013 at 6:00 PM

