

**IND. SCHOOL DISTRICT #36
KELLIHER PUBLIC SCHOOL
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
JUNE 13, 2013**

The School Board of ISD #36, Kelliher, MN met June 13, 2013 in the school media center. The meeting was called to order by Chair Frank Duresky at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Ed Gehlert, Barb Woltjer, David Nistler, Frank Duresky, Jerry Geerdes and Tim Lutz, Superintendent, Ex-Officio. Members absent: Ed Anderson.

Visitors: Karyn Lutz, Jamie Hand, Mary Lundin and Laura Nelson.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion by Jerry Geerdes, second by Dave Nistler to approve the agenda.

Motion by Barb Woltjer, second by Ed Gehlert to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2013 regular meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Jerry Geerdes, second by Dave Nistler to approve the Treasurer's reports and June bills in the amount of \$102,469.74 and bills paid between the May and June meetings in the amount of \$20,730.75. Motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence/Comments from Visitors:

A note was received from Steve and Anita Thunder, thanking the school district for the educational opportunities for their daughter.

A card was received from the children and grandchildren of Tony Long, thanking the school district for honoring Tony on his retirement.

Positive Feedback:

Thank you to Carolyn Drude for her donation of books to the district.

Congratulations to the students who had perfect attendance for the 4th quarter: Kindergarten – Anika Charnoski and Nakiah Heck; Gr. 1 – Gavin Adelman, Daniel Chappius, Keegan Enright, Joey Johnson, Jacob Jorgensen and Aubree Waldo; Gr. 2 – Cooper Brambrink, Wyatt Plackner and Dakota Rosebear; Gr. 3 – Braxton Lempart and Amelia Persons; Gr. 4 – Hailey Brambrink, Jacina Jourdain and Boden Lempart; Gr. 5 – Riley Gilge and Kelly Lynn; Gr. 6 – Daniel Durantes, Carter Gilge, Destiny Heck and Brook Kingbird; Gr. 7 – Tres Grundmeier and Allyson Hendricks; Gr. 9 – Philip Anderson, Lindsey Duresky and Christina Grundmeier; Gr. 10 – Cheyanne Franks; Gr. 11 – Derrick Schuh and Doug Schuh; Gr. 12 – Rhonda Schuh and Zachary Spangrud.

Principal's Report:

1. Congratulations to Amelia Persons and Allyson Hendricks for winning digital cameras for perfect attendance for the year.

2. Congratulations to the 5th grade class for being named “The Class of the Year” for this school year.
3. The 1st week of summer school was completed this week.
4. The tentative schedule for next year is done.

Committee Reports:

1. The North Country Vocational Coop. met on May 22nd.
2. The negotiations committee met with the KEA negotiations committee prior to the meeting this evening at 5:30.

Director’s Forum:

1. Ed Gehlert brought up concerns regarding space at the bus garage and would like to explore options for expanding storage and the shop area.

Superintendent’s Report:

1. The district will be purchasing a Bluebird bus for \$88,019.70.
2. Superintendent Lutz informed the board that the district will be staying with our current Blue Cross Blue Shield insurance plans, but we have switched agents.
3. Superintendent Lutz informed the board that the district was notified that we were awarded a Success for the Future grant for the next two fiscal years. Motion by Ed Gehlert, second by Dave Nistler to add G-10 (Officially accept Success for the Future grant) as an action item. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Superintendent Lutz requested that the board approve the re-purposing of the stage in the big gym for a weight lifting room.
5. The board was updated on the search for a part-time English position and Superintendent Lutz requested that they increase the position to a full-time position if necessary to hire a candidate. Motion by Ed Gehlert, second by Barb Woltjer to add G-11 (Increase English position from .5 FTE to 1.0 FTE) as an action item. Motion passed unanimously. Motion passed unanimously.
6. Superintendent Lutz requested the board consider extending our bus route in to Blackduck.
7. The board was given an update on the roofing project and a proposal from FLR Sanders to re-do the small gym floor.
8. The board was updated on next year’s enrollment and a request to consider easing the enrollment caps.
9. The board set August 1 at 5:30 p.m. for their board retreat/working session at West Wind.
10. Superintendent Lutz requested the board approve the renewal of the student accident insurance for next year.
11. Discussion was held on the revised 2012-13 budget. Karyn Lutz explained some of the changes that have taken place in the food service area, which have reduced expenses and expanded efficiencies.
12. Discussion was held on the proposed 2013-14 budget.
13. Superintendent Lutz requested that the board consider transferring money remaining in the student activity fund from the class of 2013 to the alumni scholarship fund. By law, any

remaining class funds from a graduating class must be removed from the student activity accounts by June 30th.

14. Superintendent Lutz informed the board that it is that time of year to request bids for milk and fuel for next school year.
15. Discussion was held on the school calendar for next year.
16. Superintendent Lutz recommended that the board hire Deanna Hand as an Early Childhood teacher starting next school year.
17. Superintendent Lutz informed the board that Nancy Koisti has accepted the early retirement offer from the district and has submitted her letter of resignation.
18. Superintendent Lutz requested that the board consider a night cooling program for the air handler units. Discussion was held, with concerns that such systems not void any of the energy saving program work done by ESG. Motion by Dave Nistler, second by Barb Woltjer to add G-12 (Approve night cooling program for air handler units) as an action item. Motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Ed Gehlert, second by Dave Nistler to approve board to board applications for the 2013-14 school year as follows: from Red Lake to Kelliher – Vivihanna Wilson (gr. 1), Vernelle Kingbird-Spears (gr. 1), Vinson Wilson (gr. 3), Nathan Rosebear (gr. 5), Mary Rosebear (gr. 5), Conrad Kingbird (gr. 7) and WesleyAnn Strong (gr. 8). Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Jerry Geerdes, second by Ed Gehlert to approve the renewal of student accident insurance coverage for 2013-14. Motion passed unanimously.

Action Items:

Motion by Barb Woltjer, second by Dave Nistler to approve the repurposing of the big gymnasium stage area to a weightlifting room. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Jerry Geerdes, second by Ed Gehlert to approve changing our bus routes to include a stop in Blackduck. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Dave Nistler, second by Ed Gehlert to approve the revised 2012-13 budget as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Jerry Geerdes, second by Barb Woltjer to approve the proposed 2013-14 budget as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Dave Nistler, second by Jerry Geerdes to approve transferring the remaining funds from the Class of 2013 student activity account to the Kelliher School Alumni Scholarship fund. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Gehlert, second by Jerry Geerdes to authorize the superintendent to seek competitive bids/quotes and/or requests for milk and fuel price contracts for 2013-14. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Dave Nistler, second by Barb Woltjer to approve refinishing and repainting of the small gym floor for \$10,446.00. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Gehlert, second by Jerry Geerdes to hire Deanna Hand as Early Childhood teacher starting with the 2013-14 school year at BS, step 5. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Barb Woltjer, second by Dave Nistler to approve the early retirement agreement between ISD #36 and Nancy Koisti with thanks and appreciation. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Gehlert, second by Dave Nistler to accept the Success for the Future grant for 2013-14 and 2014-15. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Barb Woltjer, second by Ed Gehlert to increase the .5 FTE English position to a 1.0 FTE position if necessary to hire a candidate. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Dave Nistler, second by Jerry Geerdes to approve the night cooling program for the air handler units, provided the program does not interfere with or void any of the energy savings program work done by ESG. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Jerry Geerdes, second by Dave Nistler to close the meeting at 8:33 p.m. as permitted by MN Statute 13D.03 for negotiations strategy with Education Minnesota-Kelliher. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Gehlert, second by Jerry Geerdes to open the meeting and adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The next regular school board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 11th at 7:00 p.m. in the school media center.