

**IND. SCHOOL DISTRICT #36
KELLIHER PUBLIC SCHOOL
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
APRIL 11, 2013**

The School Board of ISD #36, Kelliher, MN met April 11, 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, Ed Anderson, David Nistler, Frank Duresky and Tim Lutz, Superintendent, Ex-Officio. Members absent: Jerry Geerdes.

Visitors: Cynthia Celander, Beth Anderson, Daniel Durantes, Destiny Heck, Shanelle Head, John Carlson, Wendy Carlson, Carly Wang, Calvin Mayers, Mary Lundin and Laura Nelson.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion by Ed Anderson, second by Ed Gehlert to approve the agenda.

Motion by Barb Woltjer, second by Ed Anderson to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2013 regular meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Dave Nistler, second by Ed Gehlert to approve the Treasurer's reports and April bills in the amount of \$88,443.58 and bills paid between the March and April meetings in the amount of \$5,568.11. Motion passed unanimously.

Comments from Visitors:

Carly Wang requested permission from the board to plan on taking the 9th grade and upper level math students to Physics Day at Valleyfair in May. Permission was granted.

Cynthia Celander, Beth Anderson, Daniel Durantes, Destiny Heck and Shanelle Head gave the board an update on the activities of the STAR (Students Teaching Attitudes of Respect) program this year and the students presented a short skit on respect.

Correspondence was received from Jennifer Mostad indicating her intent to return to work next year.

Positive Feedback:

Thank you to the anonymous donors who gave \$500 for the music trip to Washington D.C.

Thank you from the music department and students who attended the trip to Washington D.C.

Congratulations to the students who had perfect attendance for the 3rd quarter: Grade 2 – Wyatt Plackner; Grade 3 – Braxton Lempart and Amelia Persons; Grade 4 – Jacina Jourdain and Boden Lempart; Grade 5 – Hannah Newberry and Jordan Ufford; Grade 6 – Daniel Durantes, Carter Gilge and Destiny Heck; Grade 7 – Alyson Hendricks and Dylan Tjepkes; Grade 8 – Trevor Poxleitner; Grade 9 – Alyssa Daken and Christina Grundmeier; Grade 10 – Mitchell Nistler; Grade 11 – Mark Geerdes and Derrick Schuh; Grade 12 – Maranda Pula.

Principal's Report:

1. Congratulations to the March students of the month: Elementary – Kaleigha Donnell (gr. 5), Middle Level – Tasheena Raincloud (gr. 8) and High School – Shawn O'Neill (gr. 10).
2. Prom will be held on May 4th at the Sanford Center in Bemidji.
3. The Student Council is sponsoring a blood drive on May 15th.
4. Congratulations to the Valedictorians and Salutatorian for the class of 2013: Shelene Head, Katey Lutz and Cassie Vollhaber are this year's Valedictorians and Tanner Salmonson is this year's Salutatorian.

Committee Reports:

1. The teacher evaluation and AIW committee has been meeting. Ed Gehlert, John Carlson, Pennie Rude and Sheila Krueth attended an AIW meeting in Bagley on April 9th.
2. The IEPAC meeting was held at Red Lake on April 10th.

Director's Forum:

1. Ed Gehlert brought up his concerns regarding the inadequate storage capacity of the bus garage and limited work area in the shop.

Superintendent's Report:

1. The Superintendent's contract will need to be ratified later in the meeting.
2. The health insurance pool renewal meeting will be held on April 16th in Erskine, MN.
3. Work is continuing on the Indian Demonstration grant, the Safe Route to Schools grant and the Fresh Fruits and Vegetable Program grant for next year.
4. Discussion was held on establishing a start date for the new head custodian. The official start date will be April 22nd.
5. The Fresh Fruits and Vegetable program was audited on March 21st. A letter was received from the Dept. of Education commending the district on the success of the program.
6. Superintendent Lutz informed the board that the district will be receiving portable desks for outdoor use on school forest field trips.
7. Superintendent Lutz reported that the music trip to Washington D.C. was a success.
8. Superintendent Lutz updated the board on negotiations with Education Minnesota. A negotiations meeting will be held on April 12th at 2:00 p.m.
9. The policy on weather-related cancellations is included in the action items if the board should choose to adopt it.
10. The board was updated on upcoming resignations. Tony Long has submitted his official resignation letter for May 15th.
11. There will be a community-wide indoor garage sale on May 11th at the old school. The district is planning on selling surplus items by silent auction. A list of items to be sold will be published prior to that day.
12. The 16th annual awards banquet will be held on May 6th.

13. The Blue Cross Wellness program for employees has been implemented.
14. The 5th/6th grade trip to the MN Capitol will be on May 5th and 6th.
15. Superintendent Lutz gave the board revised copies of the 2013-14 master calendar to be approved later in the meeting. The first day of each school week will have a one hour late start in order for teachers to participate in AIW workshops and 5 additional days have been set aside for AIW teacher development.
16. The board was given copies of the upcoming MCA/GRAD testing schedule.
17. Superintendent Lutz requested the board approve purchasing a new bus for the upcoming school year.
18. Superintendent Lutz informed the board that the music department does not feel that a spring concert can be scheduled in Kelliher this year due to spring sports and weather related delays. They will be scheduling an afternoon and evening concert in Northome on May 16th. The board expressed their desire for them to reconsider their decision.
19. Superintendent Lutz presented board to board agreements for approval.
20. Superintendent Lutz submitted a recommendation for non-renewal of a probationary teacher's contract due to lack of funding for next year. Motion by Ed Anderson, second by Barb Woltjer to add the Resolution for Non-Renewal to the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Ed Gehlert, second by Ed Anderson to approve board to board applications for the 2013-14 school year as follows: from Red Lake to Kelliher – Jade Cloud (gr. 7), Kyra King (gr. 7) and Brandon French (gr. 9); from Blackduck to Kelliher – Kylee Binkley (gr. K). Motion passed unanimously.

Action Items:

Motion by Barb Woltjer, second by Dave Nistler to ratify the 2013-16 contract between ISD #36 and the Superintendent. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Gehlert, second by Dave Nistler to approve the third reading and adoption of the 2013-14 Master Calendar. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Anderson, second by Ed Gehlert to approve purchasing a new school bus. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Dave Nistler, second by Ed Gehlert to accept, with thanks and appreciation, the retirement of Tony Long as Head Custodian. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Anderson, second by Barb Woltjer to adopt the "Resolution Relating to the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teaching Contract of Nicole Klaustermeier, a Probationary Teacher". Voting yes: Ed Gehlert, Barb Woltjer, Dave Nistler, Frank Duresky and Ed Anderson. Voting no: None. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Gehlert, second by Dave Nistler to close the meeting at 8:20 p.m. as permitted by MN Statute 13D.03 for negotiations strategy with Education Minnesota-Kelliher. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Anderson, second by Ed Gehlert to open the meeting and adjourn at 8:44 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The next regular school board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 9th at 7:00 p.m. in the school media center.