

**IND. SCHOOL DISTRICT #36
KELLIHER PUBLIC SCHOOL
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MARCH 9, 2012**

The School Board of ISD #36, Kelliher, MN met February 9, 2012, in the school media center. The meeting was called to order by Chair Frank Duresky at 3:30 p.m. Members present: Ed Gehlert, Barbara Woltjer, Frank Duresky, Ed Anderson and Tim Lutz, Superintendent, Ex-Officio. Members absent: Peggy Vollhaber and Jerry Geerdes.

Visitors: Linda Dreher, Tiffany Thomas, Johanna Weidenborner, Nathan Anderson, Mary Lundin, Carly Wang, Steve Geerdes and Laura Nelson.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

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

Motion by Barb Woltjer, second by Ed Anderson to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2012 regular meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Gehlert, second by Ed Anderson to approve the Treasurer's reports and March bills in the amount of \$68,712.40, plus additional checks written between the February and March meetings of \$2,076.00. Motion passed unanimously.

Comments from Visitors:

Carly Wang requested permission and funding to take students to Physics Day at Valleyfair in May.

Tiffany Thomas and Johanna Weidenborner, on behalf of the Junior Class and prom committee, requested a \$500 donation from the district for prom and post-prom activities.

Steve Geerdes, on behalf of the High School Trapshooting team, requested \$500 from the district in order to help offset the costs of fees to the students participating. Motion by Ed Gehlert, second by Ed Anderson to add the request to the agenda as an action item. Motion passed unanimously.

The board participated in a conference call from Gary Olsen and Carolyn Drude from Ehlers and Associates. The purpose of the call was to inform the board of the opportunity granted through legislation to pay the original amount of the \$6,900,000 Maximum Effort Loan back to the State of Minnesota by June 30, 2012, at which time the loan would be considered paid in full. The board requested that the administration gather additional information for possible consideration at the April board meeting.

Linda Dreher thanked the board and administration for their support of the Northome Area News and allowing her access to the building during school days in order to gather news and take pictures of activities taking place in the school.

Positive Feedback:

Congratulations to the students who were inducted into the Kelliher School National Honor Society – Rhonda Schuh (gr. 11), Mark Geerdes (gr. 10) and Kelly Heck (gr. 10), and Junior National Honor Society – Cheyanne Franks (gr. 9), Shannon Head (gr. 9), Breanna Salmonson (gr. 9), Philip Anderson (gr. 8), Lindsey Duresky (gr. 8), Megan Hudec (gr. 8), Cole Koisti (gr. 8), Joseph Weidenborner (gr. 8) and Sydney Preston (gr. 7).

Thank you to the Upper Red Lake Area Association for the donations of \$1,500 for the Kelliher Library and Information Center and \$1,000 for the Kelliher Community Scholarship.

Congratulations to Superintendent Lutz for being named 2011-12 Administrator of the Year for District 29. The board thanked Mr. Lutz for his work on behalf of the District and congratulated him on this honor. A plaque will be presented to him at the MASA Region VIII meeting.

Congratulations to the Math Masters team on their great showing at the Bemidji meet.

Dean of Students' Report:

1. Congratulations to February students of the month: Elementary – Braxton Lempart (gr. 2); Middle Level – Trevor Poxleitner (gr. 7) and High School – Steven Mayers (gr. 9).
2. The National Honor Society induction ceremony will take place on Monday, March 9 at 9:00 a.m.
3. PBIS training has been completed. On March 19th, members of the Indus school staff will be coming to Kelliher to learn about implementing PBIS.
4. There was poor attendance at the February Parent-Teacher conferences.
5. The Student Council is planning a spring Olympics for the week before the Easter break.

Committee Reports:

1. The Systems Accountability Committee met on February 27th.
2. The Beltrami County Commissioners will be meeting in Kelliher on March 20th.

Superintendent's Report:

1. The William Kent Krueger reading night was cancelled due to bad weather and will be rescheduled.
2. The Superintendent distributed copies of the FY11 Food Service Fund analysis report from the State of Minnesota. The board authorized the Superintendent to work with the food service staff to try to reduce expenses without compromising the quality of the meals.
3. Northern Access Dental is interested in leasing space at the Old School Center during May-August.
4. Superintendent Lutz is continuing to talk with Northome School regarding the viability of additional shared staffing next year.
5. The 5th and 6th grades will be attending Wolf Ridge on Monday, March 12 through Wednesday, March 14th.

6. The Title I open house and parent night will be held on March 29th. There is a potential conflict with the Up North Committee's Ham bingo that evening, but it was felt that both can occur on the same evening, with potential benefits to each.
7. Superintendent Lutz informed the board that he and staff have been working on preliminary plans for summer school in August.
8. The preliminary 2012-13 school calendar has been changed to allow for a staff workshop day on March 11 instead of January 21 (MLK Day). Superintendent Lutz informed the board that there has been some talk at the state legislative level to allow school districts to start prior to Labor Day. At this time, the board is not interested in that option.
9. During Paul Pederson's visit to the school in February, he reported that he expects the district's health insurance premiums for next year to remain the same or be lower due to less than expected usage rates.
10. Correspondence was received from Walker and Princeton school districts regarding Superintendent Lutz's visits with them.
11. Work on the ADSIS, AIW, 21st Century and Legacy grants continue.
12. Discussion was held on Ramp Up To Readiness. Motion by Barb Woltjer, second by Ed Anderson to add as an action item. Motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Ed Anderson, second by Ed Gehlert to approve the second reading of the 2012-13 calendar as amended. Motion passed unanimously

Motion by Ed Gehlert, second by Barb Woltjer to approve the 2nd reading and adoption of mandatory MSBA policy # 524 – Internet Acceptable Use and Safety Policy. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Anderson, second by Ed Gehlert to approve the MN Department of Public Safety Tier II Emergency and Hazardous Chemical Inventory report. Motion passed unanimously.

Action Items:

Motion by Barb Woltjer, second by Ed Gehlert to approve the negotiated personnel policy for Dave Hanson for 2010-11 and 2011-12. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Anderson, second by Barb Woltjer to approve the request from the prom committee and junior class for \$500 for prom and post-prom activities. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Gehlert, second by Ed Anderson to approve the request from Carly Wang to take students to Physics Day at Valleyfair. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Gehlert, second by Barb Woltjer to approve the request from Steve Geerdes and the high school Trapshooting team for \$500. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Anderson, second by Ed Gehlert, to support the Ramp Up To Readiness program. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Anderson, second by Barb Woltjer to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The next regular school board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 12, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the school media center.