

**IND. SCHOOL DISTRICT #36  
KELLIHER PUBLIC SCHOOL  
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
OCTOBER 8, 2020**

The School Board of ISD #36, Kelliher, MN met October 8, 2020 in the School Media Center. The meeting was called to order by Chair Frank Duresky at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Frank Duresky, Dawn Jensen, Rachel Jorgensen, Kevin Waldo, Tessa Koisti, Dan Persons, and Paul Grams, Superintendent, Ex-Officio. Members absent: None.

Visitors: Sherri Dahl, Chase Pink, Jody Waldo, Cynthia Celander, Kristi Stomberg, Marie Swenson, and Aliza Lundin.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion by Kevin Waldo, second by Dan Persons to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Dawn Jensen, second by Kevin Waldo to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2020 board meeting and September 25, 2020 special board meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Tessa Koisti, second by Rachel Jorgensen to approve the September Treasurer's Report and September District and Student Activity bills in the amount of \$329,024.27. Voting yes: Dawn Jensen, Rachel Jorgensen, Kevin Waldo, Frank Duresky, and Tessa Koisti. Voting no: None. Abstaining: Dan Persons.

**Comments from Visitors:**

1. Cynthia Celander commended district secretaries, Mary Poxleitner and Linda Olson, for their amazing job starting the school year and keeping up with the constant student changes within the building and all their hard work. Cynthia relayed how appreciative the staff is to have them within the school.

**Positive Feedback:**

1. Superintendent Paul Grams noted how proud he is of the students behavior within the school and the overall great staff and student body Kelliher School has.

**Director's Forum:**

1. Tessa Koisti relayed a staffing concern brought to her.
2. Dawn Jensen commented on the Old School building renovations progress and childcare center addition. Superintendent Paul Grams added that the addition is a great utilization of the space.

**Committee Reports:**

1. Superintendent Paul Grams, Kevin Waldo, and Rachel Jorgensen reported on the Sports Coop meeting that was held September 23, 2020. The coop discussed the role each district has in sports-related costs incurred, transportation, and coaching and possible alternative ways to process each, including Kelliher School being the fiscal host of sports-related expenses and billing back Northome School periodically throughout the school year. The addition of wrestling as a sports option was also revisited, the decision already passed at a prior board meeting. Kelliher and Northome would be joined with Blackduck for the sport, similar to Track.
2. Superintendent Paul Grams relayed negotiation outcomes for the Kelliher Support Staff contract effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022. Final contract to be signed at the November board meeting.

**Principal's Report:**

1. Principal Sherri Dahl relayed Homecoming 2020 plans for Northome and Kelliher Schools. Homecoming week is October 19-23, 2020 with the Homecoming football game on Saturday October 24, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. Plans for Halloween celebrations and also Fall testing for ACT, ASVAB, and PSAT were also discussed.

**Superintendent's Report:**

1. Superintendent Paul Grams gave the board another staffing update for the current Math Teacher position still seeking fulfillment.
2. Superintendent Paul Grams relayed the virtual staff development opportunity for all Kelliher School staff members through MREA with a variety of content available for viewing anytime November 15-19, 2020.
3. A COVID-19 Planning update was also given to the board noting the continually changing guidelines, including the change announced earlier in the day that now volleyball spectators will be allowed. The guidance being released is less restrictive and placing more importance on using regional information, factors, and consultation. Superintendent Paul Grams is scheduled to meet again next Monday, October 12, 2020 with superintendents of Blackduck and Bemidji school districts also located within Beltrami County, Beltrami County Health, and Northwest Service Coop.

**Consent Agenda:**

1. Approve Pennie Rude as Student Council Advisor.
2. Approve Carly Amsden as Junior Class Advisor.
3. Set date to Canvass Election results for Thursday, November 12, 2020. This must be between November 6, 2020 and November 12, 2020.
4. Approved Sophia Eitenmiller as C-Team Volleyball Coach.
5. Accept Resignation from Tricia Smith as C-Team Volleyball Coach.
6. Accept Resignation of Steve Geerdes as Head Football Coach for the 2020-21 Season. Dan Alto to temporarily assume Head Coach role with no Assistant Coach replacement for the 2020-21 Season.

Motion made by Rachel Jorgensen, seconded by Tessa Koisti to approve the consent agenda.  
Motion passed unanimously.

**Action Items:**

1. Approve the Resolution to establish a combined polling place at Kelliher City Hall for the upcoming general election.

Motion made by Kevin Waldo, seconded by Dan Persons to approve the Resolution establishing a combined polling place at Kelliher City Hall for the upcoming general election.  
Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Kevin Waldo, seconded by Tessa Koisti to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The next Regular School Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the School Media Center.

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Clerk, Ind. School District #36

Date