

**IND. SCHOOL DISTRICT #36
KELLIHER PUBLIC SCHOOL
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
APRIL 14, 2011**

The School Board of ISD #36, Kelliher, MN met April 14, 2011, in the Kelliher School Media Center. The meeting was called to order by Chair Frank Duresky at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Frank Duresky, Peggy Vollhaber, Ed Anderson, Ed Gehlert, Jerry Geerdes and Barbara Woltjer and Tim Lutz, Superintendent, Ex-Officio. Members absent: None.

Visitors: Jamie Hand, Wendy Carlson, Linda Dreher, Mary Lundin, Calvin Mayers and Laura Nelson.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion by Ed Gehlert, second by Barb Woltjer to approve the agenda with the addition of D-15 (School Calendar), D-16 (Community Library/Energy Upgrades/Equipment Removal) and the removal of D-7 and F-1 (Review and Renew Early Retirement Policy #497). Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Anderson, second by Jerry Geerdes to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2011 regular meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Peggy Vollhaber, second by Frank Duresky to accept the Treasurer's report and approve the April bills in the amount of \$83,997.98. Motion passed unanimously.

Positive Feedback:

Congratulations to the students who made the 3rd quarter honor roll: Distinguished: Gr. 7 – Lindsey Duresky, Cole Koisti and Joseph Weidenborner; Gr. 8 – Cheyanne Franks, Shannon Head, Steven Mayers, and Breanna Salmonson; Gr. 9 – Mark Geerdes and Kelly Heck; Gr. 10 – Shelene Head, Katey Lutz, Cassie Vollhaber and Johanna Weidenborner; Gr. 11 – Alisha Gehlert; Gr. 12 – Caitlyn Duresky and Kristi Geerdes. A Honor Roll: Gr. 7 – Phillip Anderson, Christine Grundmeier and Megan Hudec; Gr. 8 – Nathan Anderson and Dylan Villaran; Gr. 9 – Brenin Head and Carrieann Mortenson; Gr. 10 – Maranda Pula and Tanner Salmonson; Gr. 11 – Kisha Heck, Kristie Hoodie, Danielle Nistler and Rachel Washenberger; Gr. 12 – Rebekah Anderson, Jesse Jensen, Kendra Krogseng, Savannah Merritt and Megan Poxleitner. B Honor Roll: Gr. 7 – Breanna Corbin, Xenia Hillman and Jeremy Wickham; Gr. 8 – Donald Lindquist, Mitchell Nistler, Raelin Schuh and Brendan Strong; Gr. 9 – Paula Pearsall; Gr. 10 – Alex Erickson, Wyatt Jensen, Al Nistler and Rhonda Schuh; Gr. 11 – Tim Franks, Jon Hand, Micah Jorgensen, Troy Poxleitner, Tiffany Stillday and Renae Swanson; Gr. 12 – Travis Burns, Brittney Heck, Trevor Johnson, Evan Nelson and Michael Nelson.

Congratulations to the students who had perfect attendance during 3rd quarter: Gr. 2 – Boden Lempart and Jayce Mostad; Gr. 4 – Shanelle Head and Destiny Heck; Gr. 5 – Allyson Hendricks, Clyde Jensen and Dylan Tjepkes; Gr. 6 – Kaitlyn Jorgensen, Trevor Poxleitner and Johnathan Weidenborner; Gr. 7 – Christina Grundmeier and Joseph Weidenborner; Gr. 8 – Shannon Head and Dylan Villaran; Gr. 9 – Mark Geerdes and Stephen Johnson; Gr. 10 – Kelsy King, Michaela Ufford and Johanna Weidenborner.

Thank you to the Friends of the Bemidji Library for their donation of \$200.00 to the Kelliher Library and Information Center.

Congratulations to Carlotta Lundin for the excellent food safety inspection.

Congratulations to Wendy Carlson and the Title I program for the excellent implementation of the Reading Plus program.

Dean of Students' Report:

1. The Spring Olympics was held last week with a lot of participation among the students.
2. Attendance continues to be excellent, with the entire elementary school having a 96% attendance rate so far this year.
3. Senior class trip will be May 13 -14, to the Twin Cities.

Committee Reports:

1. Meet and Confer with Education MN-Kelliher. Requests included additional staff development funds in the general fund budget; more positive public relations activities with a place for suggestions on the school website and requests from the elementary staff to keep the art position as a full time position.

Superintendent's Report:

1. The School District and bargaining units have received the preliminary PEIP health insurance bid. The service coop. will have their rates available May 10.
2. Superintendent Lutz reported that the district has received notification from the USDA through the Dept. of Education that our lunch prices for full pay student meals are too low and must be raised in order to comply with USDA requirements.
3. Possible institution of activity fees for students participating in extra-curricular activities was discussed.
4. Superintendent Lutz informed the board that enrollment for next year is projected at 241, with the possibility of 250 if the board were to revisit their enrollment policy.
5. The state fire marshal was at the district recently for the annual inspection.
6. Superintendent Lutz provided the board with information regarding the Dept. of Education Graduation Incentive policy as part of the Open Enrollment program.
7. Requirements for a new fund balance policy were explained to the board.
8. Superintendent Lutz updated the board on progress towards implementing a school within a school concept next year in the school district.
9. The art position has been posted and will be reposted again.
10. The community health fair was held on April 12, with a good turnout.
11. Superintendent Lutz informed the board that he has been in contact with the City of Kelliher regarding the fitness center lease and signage for the fitness center.
12. The BRIC annual meeting will be by April 28th. Ed Gehlert is the BRIC board representative.
13. The board was told that there are staff members that have expressed interest in looking at other options for our school calendar, with the possibility of implementing a year round school year. An exploratory committee will be formed made up of staff members, school board members and other interested parties.

14. Superintendent Lutz informed the board that as Energy Services Group implements the energy savings upgrades, there will be equipment that is replaced. The school district will retain the old equipment in order to sell either through a silent auction or other means.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Ed Anderson, second by Ed Gehlert, to approve the second reading and adoption of Policy #412 – Expense Reimbursement for School District Business Expenses. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Gehlert, second by Peggy Vollhaber, to approve the first reading of Policy #714 – Fund Balances. Motion passed unanimously.

Action Items:

Motion by Jerry Geerdes, second by Peggy Vollhaber to raise the full paid student lunch price \$.10, from \$1.25 to \$1.35, for the 2011-2012 school year in accordance with Federal laws and Minnesota statutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Jerry Geerdes, second by Peggy Vollhaber to adopt the “Resolution Placing Susan Hopkins on Unrequested Leave of Absence”. Voting yes: Ed Gehlert, Barb Woltjer, Peggy Vollhaber, Frank Duresky, Ed Anderson and Jerry Geerdes. Voting no: None. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ed Gehlert, second by Ed Anderson to close the meeting at 8:15 p.m. as permitted under MN Statute 13D.03 for the purpose of discussing negotiations strategy with EdMN-Kelliher. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Frank Duresky, second by Peggy Vollhaber to open the meeting and adjourn at 8:38 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Next regular meeting of the board will be held at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, May 12, 2011.