

**IND. SCHOOL DISTRICT #36  
KELLIHER PUBLIC SCHOOL  
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 9, 2018**

The School Board of ISD #36, Kelliher, MN met April 9, 2018 in the school Media Center. The meeting was called to order by Chair Frank Duresky at 7:30 a.m. Members present: Tessa Latterell, Barb Woltjer, Dawn Jensen, Frank Duresky, Rachel Jorgensen, and Tim Lutz, Superintendent, Ex-Officio. Members absent: Kevin Waldo.

Visitors: Dominique Koppes, Emma Dickinson, Amanda Martin, Clare Kupcho, Hannah Newberry, Cedes Waldo, Jayce Mostad, Mary Lundin, Laura Nelson and Calvin Mayers.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion by Tessa Latterell, second by Barb Woltjer to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Rachel Jorgensen, second by Dawn Jensen to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2018 regular meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Barb Woltjer, second by Dawn Jensen to approve the Treasurer's reports and April bills in the amount of \$104,877.06. Motion passed unanimously.

**Comments from Visitors:**

1. Dominique Koppes, Emma Dickinson and Amanda Martin presented the board with the plans for the Jr. Class prom and requested support of \$500 from the district.
2. Hannah Newberry, Jayce Mostad and Cedes Waldo presented the board with a request for written letters in support for their FCCLA STAR events project on pursuing international recognition for the Red Lake Peat lands.

**Positive Feedback:**

1. Congratulations to the students on the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter honor roll and to those students who had perfect attendance during the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter.
2. Congratulations to Cynthia Celander for being named the 2018 Multi-Level School Counselor of the Year by the MN School Counselors Association.
3. Thank you to Cynthia Celander for organizing the 1<sup>st</sup> annual "Taste of Kelliher" luncheon on April 7<sup>th</sup> which raised over \$1,500 to support the Alumni Scholarship fund.

**Director's Forum:**

1. Rachel Jorgensen brought up board member attendance at events such as the Academic Awards Banquet.

**Principal's Report:**

1. The seniors are currently on their class trip to the Twin Cities.
2. Upcoming events: The Academic Awards Banquet will be held on May 9; the Honor Roll/Attendance breakfast will be held on May 11 and graduation will be held on May 25.
3. Grades K-6 will be going to the Big Bog State Park in May.

**Committee Reports:**

1. The athletic advisory committee met and discussed coaches' evaluations, shared funding and future enrollment in athletics.

**Superintendent's Report:**

1. Superintendent Lutz informed the board of the need to hire an additional assistant softball coach.
2. Discussion was held on the possibility and costs of upgrading the Old School Gym in order to host basketball games and practices there.
3. There was one application for the Science teacher. Amy Mastin was offered and accepted the position, to be hired later in the meeting.
4. Interviews for the Business Manager position were held on Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup>. Aliza Lundin was offered and accepted the position, to be hired later in the meeting.
5. Superintendent Lutz presented the board with a re-cap of the lockdown drill held in March.
6. The district will have to appoint a new official newspaper due to the Keeper Chronicles discontinuing publication.
7. Discussion was held on membership and dues for the Upper Red Lake Area Association.
8. The district will be receiving a \$5,100 grant from the Midwest Dairy Council for kitchen equipment.
9. The district is in the process of applying for a \$25,000 grant to upgrade welding equipment in the Industrial Technology department.
10. Parent-Teacher conferences were held on April 4<sup>th</sup> with a very good turnout.
11. The district received Intent to Negotiate letter from EdMN-Kelliher Support Staff. Barb Woltjer, Dawn Jensen and Tessa Latterell will be the board negotiators.
12. Superintendent Lutz informed the board that the district will have to officially modify the 2017-18 school calendar, due to the school cancellation in March.
13. Superintendent Lutz presented Laura Nelson's letter of retirement to the board.

**Consent Agenda:**

1. Motion by Rachel Jorgensen, second by Tessa Latterell to approve the modification of the 2017-18 school calendar. Motion passed unanimously.

**Action Items:**

1. Motion by Barb Woltjer, second by Dawn Jensen to approve hiring Pennie Rude as assistant softball coach. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Motion by Dawn Jensen, second by Barb Woltjer to hire Amy Mastin as science teacher for the 2018-19 school year at BS, step 16. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Motion by Rachel Jorgensen, second by Tessa Latterell to approve the request from the Jr. Class prom committee for \$500. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Motion by Barb Woltjer, second by Tessa Latterell to designate the Blackduck American as the official school newspaper. Motion passed unanimously.
5. Motion by Rachel Jorgensen, second by Tessa Latterell to accept the retirement of Laura Nelson, Business Manager, with thanks and appreciation for the years served. Motion passed unanimously.
6. Motion by Rachel Jorgensen, second by Dawn Jensen to hire Aliza Lundin as Business Manager, effective July 1, 2018. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Tessa Latterell, second by Barb Woltjer to adjourn the board meeting at 8:30 a.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The next regular school board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 10th at 7:00 p.m. in the school Media Center.