

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 77
Mankato, Minnesota

December 16, 2019

The School Board of Independent School District No. 77 met in regular session on Monday, December 16, in the Mankato Room at the Intergovernmental Center. Chair Wacker called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Members present at roll call: Judi Brandon, Sara Hansen, Ann Hendricks, Abdi Sabrie, Jodi Sapp, Kristi Schuck and Darren Wacker. Absent: none.

Mrs. Brandon made a motion, and Ms. Schuck seconded, approval of the agenda together with a Personnel Addendum. The motion carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

Open Forum: Shelley Schwamberger, (105 Rita Road, Mankato) wished to speak about Tiered Busing. Renee Schunk, (315 N. Broad Street, Mankato) wished to speak about Tiered Busing.

Information Reports: Eagle Lake Elementary School Report presented by Jason Grovom and Brian Eggersdorfer; Roosevelt Elementary School Report presented by Ann Haggerty and Dawn Dahline; Results of District Radon Testing presented by Tom Sager; Board Member Workshop/Committee Reports.

The consent agenda items outlined below were approved on a motion by Ms. Sapp, seconded by Ms. Schuck, and carried on a 7-0 roll call vote.

Approval of Minutes of the December 3, 2019, regular Board meeting.

Approval of December Bills totaling \$6,256,684.25.

Personnel:

APPOINTMENTS (INSTRUCTIONAL)

Chandler Gooding - Full-time, 1.00 FTEs Grade 4 Teacher at Hoover Elementary School beginning January 20, 2020. He will be placed at step 1 of the B lane on the Teachers Association salary schedule contingent upon obtaining licensure.

Samantha Ladd - Long Term Substitute Teacher for Ashley Rehder at Eagle Lake Elementary School beginning November 15 and ending May 1, 2020. She will be placed at step 1 of the B lane on the Teachers Association salary schedule.

APPOINTMENTS (NONINSTRUCTIONAL)

Faisa Alimici - Special Education Paraprofessional at Hoover Elementary School for 6.25 hours per day/5 days per week beginning December 16, 2019. She will be compensated at the rate of \$13.26 per hour in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employees Association.

Robin Arndt - Special Education LifeSkills Student Success Coach at West High School for 6.75 hours per day/5 days per week beginning January 6, 2020. She will be compensated at the rate of \$15.89 per hour in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employees Association.

Lauren Berg - Special Education (Early Learning) Paraprofessional at Montessori for 10.5 hours per week (3.5 hours per day/3 days per week (M/W/TH) beginning January 6, 2020. She will be compensated at the rate of \$13.26 per hour in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employees Association.

Dylan Boettcher - Special Education Student Success Coach at Monroe Elementary School for 6.25 hours per day/5 days per week beginning December 11, 2019. He will be compensated at the rate of \$15.89 per hour in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employees Association.

Breanna Cashin - NonClassroom (Playground) Paraprofessional at Washington Elementary School for 1.75 hours per day/1 day per week (Friday) beginning December 11, 2019. She will be compensated at the rate of \$13.26 per hour.

Elizabeth Clark - NonClassroom (Cafeteria) Paraprofessional at Dakota Meadows Middle School for 2.5 hours per day/5 days per week beginning December 12, 2019. She will be compensated at the rate of \$13.26 per hour in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employees Association.

Will Frame - Lancer Co-Director for the 2019-20 season beginning December 9, 2019. He will receive a stipend of \$5,000 for this assignment.

Minisha Fredericks Childress - Special Education Paraprofessional at Dakota Meadows Middle School for 6.75 hours per day/5 days per week beginning December 4, 2019. She will be compensated at the rate of \$13.26 per hour in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employees Association.

Jenna Hewitt - ACES Child Care Assistant Substitute at Jefferson Elementary School for varied hours beginning December 20 through June 4, 2020. She will be compensated at the rate of \$11 per hour.

Ellie Kleist - ACES Child Care Assistant at Eagle Lake Elementary School for 4 hours per day/4 days per week beginning December 11 through June 4, 2020. She will be compensated at the rate of \$10 per hour.

Kelsey Lagasse - NonClassroom (Playground) Paraprofessional at Rosa Parks Elementary School for 2 hours per day/5days per week beginning December 11, 2019. She will be compensated at the rate of \$13.26 per hour.

Paige Nixt - ACES Child Care Assistant Substitute at Jefferson Elementary School for varied hours beginning December 9 through June 4, 2020. She will be compensated at the rate of \$11 per hour.

Mary Riese - ACES Child Care Assistant at Eagle Lake Elementary School for 4 hours per day/5 days per week beginning December 16 through June 4, 2020. She will be compensated at the rate of \$11 per hour.

Abigail Riesgraf - ACES Child Care Assistant Substitute at Eagle Lake Elementary School for varied hours beginning December 16 and ending June 4, 2020. She will be compensated at the rate of \$11 per hour.

Justin Tollefson - Lancer Co-Director for the 2019-20 season beginning December 9, 2019. He will receive a stipend of \$5,000 for this assignment.

CONTRACT ADJUSTMENTS (INSTRUCTIONAL)

Rebekah Elledge - Increase in assignment from 0.5 FTEs to 1.0 FTEs beginning January 2, 2020.

CONTRACT ADJUSTMENTS (NONINSTRUCTIONAL)

Debra Hiniker - Increase in NonClassroom (Playground) Paraprofessional assignment at Monroe Elementary School from 3 days per week to 1 hour and 55 minutes per day/5 days per week beginning December 13, 2019.

Sharon Soliz Arndt - Transfer From NonClassroom Paraprofessional at Dakota Meadows Middle School to Student Success Coach at Hoover Elementary School for 6.25 hours per day/5 days per week beginning December 18, 2019. She will be compensated at the rate of \$16.26 per hour in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employees Association.

REQUESTS FOR LEAVE (INSTRUCTIONAL)

Ashley Rehder, Grade 1 Teacher at Eagle Lake Elementary School, has requested a leave under the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act commencing on November 15 and returning to work May 1, 2020.

REQUESTS FOR LEAVE (NONINSTRUCTIONAL)

Sheree Dittrich - Extend Board approved leave until February 1, 2020.

RESIGNATIONS (NON-AFFILIATED)

Rebecca Swanson - Central Registration Specialist. Last date of employment will be January 10, 2020.

RESIGNATIONS (NONINSTRUCTIONAL)

Zubeyda Abdirahman - Custodian at Rosa Parks Elementary School, effective as of December 6, 2019.

Kaitlyn E. Gudmundson - Revise last date of employment as ACES Child Care Assistant to December 9, 2019.

Patrick McCarthy - Special Education Paraprofessional at East High School. Last date of employment December 20, 2019.

Christopher Wood - Special Education Paraprofessional at East High School. Last date of employment June 5, 2019.

Personnel - Addendum

APPOINTMENTS (INSTRUCTIONAL)

Shyranda Hornick - Full-time, 1.00 FTEs School Counselor at Kennedy Elementary School beginning January 2, 2020. She will be placed at step 4 of the M lane on the Teachers Association salary schedule.

APPOINTMENTS (NONINSTRUCTIONAL)

Nicholas Baier - ACES Child Care Assistant Substitute at Bridges/Washington Elementary Schools for varied hours beginning December 19 and ending June 4, 2020. He will be compensated at the rate of \$11 per hour.

Angie Elliott - NonClassroom Paraprofessional at Dakota Meadows Middle School for 2.5 hours per day/5 days per week beginning December 18, 2019. She will be compensated at the rate of \$13.26 per hour in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employees Association.

Thomas Leonard - Transfer from Evening Custodian to Custodian in Charge of Building - Level 1 at East High School beginning January 2, 2020. He will be placed at classification B22, step 5 of the Maintenance and Custodial Workers Association salary schedule with an hourly rate of \$20.74.

CONTRACT ADJUSTMENTS (NONINSTRUCTIONAL)

Carole Anne Crump - Increase in hourly rate as Volunteer Placement Specialist from \$16.50 to \$16.91 per hour beginning January 1, 2020.

Melissa Schneider - Change in assignment from ACES Child Care Assistant to Interim Site Supervisor at Roosevelt Elementary School for 5 hours per day/5 days per week beginning December 16, 2019. She will be compensated at the rate of \$14 per hour.

REQUESTS FOR LEAVE (INSTRUCTIONAL)

Ariana Bealey, Art Teacher at Prairie Winds Middle School, has requested a leave, under the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act commencing on or about March 18 and continuing through June 5, 2020.

Amy Muehlenhardt, Art Teacher at Rosa Parks Elementary School, has requested a leave, under the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act commencing on January 23 and returning to work February 10, 2020.

RESIGNATIONS (NONINSTRUCTIONAL)

Emilee Anderson - Special Education Paraprofessional at West High School, effective at the end of the 2018-19 school year.

A motion was made by Mrs. Brandon and seconded by Ms. Sapp to certify the tax levy for the 2020-2021 school year in the amount of \$28,150,323.86. The motion carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

Mrs. Hendricks made a motion to call for bids for the following facility projects which exceed \$175,000. Mrs. Brandon seconded the motion and it carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

Project	Estimated Amount
East High School - Transformer Replacement	\$750,000
Dakota Meadows Middle School Exterior Wall Repairs	\$510,000
Franklin, Roosevelt, Washington Electrical Srv Upgrades	\$720,000
Monroe Elementary & East High School Roof Replacement	\$840,000

Two Calendar options for the 2020-21 and 2021-22 school years were presented to the public and staff for feedback. Feedback was received via an online survey. Administration considered all feedback and rational for choices. Mr. Sievek reviewed the process and shared the rationale for the recommended calendars for the next two school years. Following questions and discussion, Ms. Schuck made a motion to approve calendars for 2020-21 and 2021-22 (see pages _____). The motion was seconded by Ms. Sapp and carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

Mr. Sager reviewed the Summary of the Tiered Busing Study and Recommendation. Mr. Sager and Superintendent Peterson identified benefits and addressed areas of concerns and plans to address the areas. Following questions and discussion, Ms. Schuck made a motion to approve tiered busing system starting the 2020-21 school year. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hansen and carried on a 6-1 voice vote.

There being no further business to consider, Ms. Hansen moved and Ms. Sapp seconded, that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was declared adjourned at 7:48 p.m., on a 7-0 voice vote.

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Attest:

Chairperson _____



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3. Information: Eagle Lake Elementary School Report, Roosevelt Elementary School Report, Results of District Radon Testing, Board Member Workshop/Committee Reports.
4. Sapp/Schuck approval of Consent Agenda Items: Approval of Minutes of the December 3, 2019, regular meeting; Approval of December Bills; Personnel. 7-0
5. Brandon/Sapp certify tax levy for 2020-2021. 7-0
6. Hendricks/Brandon call for bids for facility projects. 7-0
7. Schuck/Sapp approval of calendars for 2020-21 and 2021-22. 7-0
8. Schuck/Hansen approval of tiered busing systems. 6-1
9. Hansen/Sapp adjournment at 7:48 p.m. 7-0

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By: Sara Hansen

The complete minutes and all documents relating to this meeting are on file and available for review in the Superintendent's Office, 10 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 2 and on-line at www.isd77.org.