

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

December 6, 2022

The School Board of Independent School District No. 77 met in regular session on Tuesday, December 6, in the Mankato Room at the Intergovernmental Center. Chair Sapp called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Members present at roll call: Christopher Kind, Erin Roberts, Jodi Sapp, Kristi Schuck and Shannon Sinning. Absent: Patrick Baker and Liz Ratcliff.

Ms. Schuck made a motion, and Mr. Kind seconded, approval of the agenda together with a Personnel. The motion carried on a 5-0 voice vote.

Open Forum: Ronald Schmidt, Julie Strusz, Elizabeth Hanke and John Wicklund wished to speak.

The consent agenda items outlined below were approved on a motion by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Schuck, and carried on a 5-0 roll call vote.

Approval of Minutes of the November 17, 2022, special Board meeting.

Approval of Minutes of the November 21, 2022, regular Board meeting.

Personnel:

APPOINTMENTS (INSTRUCTIONAL)

Elta Sparks - Full-time (1.00 FTEs) Contract Substitute ADSIS Reading Interventions teacher at Monroe Elementary School beginning December 2, 2022, and ending June 8, 2023. She will be placed at step 6 of the B lane on the Teachers Association salary schedule, contingent upon obtaining licensure.

APPOINTMENTS (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

D'Monte Blanks - Student Success Coach at Dakota Meadows Middle School for 6.75 hours per day/5 days per week beginning December 7, 2022. He will be placed at classification B22, step 1, in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employee Association.

Norah Blow - Health and Wellness Paraeducator at West High School for 6.75 hours per day/5 days per week beginning December 5, 2022. She will be placed at classification B22.5, step 3, in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employee Association.

Elizabeth Frey - ACES Child Care Assistant at Hoover Elementary School for 3 hours per day/3 days per week beginning November 30, 2022, and ending June 7, 2023. She will be compensated at the rate of \$11.00 per hour.

Pamela Kind - Cook Helper at East High School for 6.5 hours per day/5 days per week beginning December 1, 2022. She will be placed at classification A11, step 2, in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employee Association.

Jared Latusek - Full-time District Carpenter beginning December 19, 2022. He will be placed at classification B23, step 2, in accordance with the agreement between the District and Minnesota School Employee Association.

Ella Potter - Special Education Paraeducator at Roosevelt Elementary School for 6.25 hours per day/1 day per week (F) beginning December 2, 2022. She will be placed at classification B21.5, step 1, in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employee Association. This is in addition to her Early Learning Special Education Paraeducator assignment at MAPS Center for Learning.

Katelyn Quast - Health and Wellness Paraeducator at Dakota Meadows Middle School and SUN for 6.75 hours per day/5 days per week beginning November 29, 2022. She will be placed at classification B22.5, step 1, in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employee Association.

Nohemi Quiroz De Ponce - ABE Teaching Assistant with the Adult Basic Education Program at Lincoln Community Center for 2.25 hours per day/3 days per week beginning December 6, 2022. She will be compensated at the rate of \$16.69 per hour. This is in addition to her District Interpreter assignment.

James Siatsis - Title 1 Reading Intervention Substitute Paraeducator at Jefferson Elementary School for 2.5 hours per day/5 days per week beginning December 5, 2022, and ending June 7, 2023. He will be placed at classification B21, step 4, in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employee Association.

CONTRACT ADJUSTMENTS (INSTRUCTIONAL)

Hope Grabau - Increase in assignment as Occupational Therapist from 0.80 FTEs to 1.00 FTEs beginning August 29, 2022.

Madelyn Rasmussen - Adjust end date to May 8, 2023, as Full-time (1.00 FTEs) Contract Substitute Teacher for Erica Demmer-Kennedy at Dakota Meadows Middle School.

CONTRACT ADJUSTMENTS (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Cassandra De La Cruz - Increase hourly rate to \$19.50 as Lead Teacher at Lincoln Logs Learning Center beginning July 1, 2022.

Bisharo Farah - Increase hourly rate to \$17.08 as Child Care Aide at Lincoln Logs Learning Center beginning July 1, 2022.

Mulki Hassan - Increase hourly rate to \$15.25 as Child Care Aide at Lincoln Logs Learning Center beginning July 1, 2022.

Nicole Helget - Change in assignment from Special Education Paraeducator, classification B21.5, to Student Success Coach, classification B22, at Prairie Winds Middle School beginning November 21, 2022.

Romanita Hopkins - Increase hourly rate to \$14.51 as Bus Supervisor beginning September 8, 2022.

Mandy Kurth - Increase hourly rate to \$22.16 as Lead Teacher at Lincoln Logs Learning Center and GED Proctor with the Adult Basic Education Program beginning July 1, 2022.

Danielle Phillips - Adjust salary placement to B22 step 4 on the Educational Secretaries Association salary schedule beginning July 5, 2022.

Iveth Quiroz Rios - Increase hourly rate to \$15.25 as Child Care Aide at Lincoln Logs Learning Center beginning July 1, 2022.

Peter Sorensen - Increase hourly rate to \$14.51 as Bus Supervisor beginning September 8, 2022.

Alexia Thomas - Decrease in assignments as Special Education Paraeducator at Franklin Elementary School from 6.25 hours per day/3 days per week (W-F) to 4.25 hours per day/1 day per week (M), 6.25 hours per day/1 day per week (T), and 4.75 hours per day/1 day per week (W) beginning January 9, 2023.

Kenneth Watson - Increase hourly rate to \$14.51 as Bus Supervisor beginning September 8, 2022.

Jill Wood - Increase hourly rate to \$19.50 as Lead Teacher with Lincoln Logs Learning Center beginning July 1, 2022, and ending November 30, 2022.

Allyson Zuleger - Increase in assignment as Special Education Paraeducator at Rosa Parks Elementary School from 6.25 hours per day/1 day per week (M) and 3.25 hours per day/1 day per week (W) to 6.25 hours per day/2 days per week (M/W) beginning January 9, 2023.

REQUESTS FOR LEAVE (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Karen Rivera - Extend Board-approved leave, returning to work on January 3, 2023.

RESIGNATIONS (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Michelle Diesch - Special Education Paraeducator at Franklin Elementary School, has submitted a resignation. The last day of employment will be November 21, 2022.

Ahn Enright - 4-Hour Evening Custodian at Washington Elementary School, has submitted a resignation. The last day of employment will be December 6, 2022.

Morgan Lau - ACES Child Care Assistant at Roosevelt Elementary School, has submitted a resignation. The last day of employment will be December 9, 2022.

Parker Keenan - ACES Child Care Assistant at Roosevelt Elementary School, has submitted a resignation. The last day of employment will be November 21, 2022.

Personnel - Addendum

APPOINTMENTS (INSTRUCTIONAL)

Joshua Pahl - Full-time (1.00 FTEs) Health/Physical Education Contract Substitute Teacher at Prairie Winds Middle School beginning January 23 and ending June 8, 2023. He will be placed at step 1 of the B lane on the Teachers Association salary schedule, contingent upon obtaining licensure.

APPOINTMENTS (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Colton Clausen - Full-time, 8-Hour Evening Custodian at West High School beginning December 12, 2022. He will be placed at classification A13, step 2, in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employee Association.

Mya Mathiowetz - Student Success Coach at Franklin Elementary School for 6.5 hours per day/5 days per week beginning December 12, 2022. She will be placed at classification B22, step 1, in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employee Association.

Ellie Meier - Special Education Paraeducator at Rosa Parks Elementary School for 6.25 hours per day/5 days per week beginning December 9, 2022. She will be placed at classification B21.5, step 1, in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employee Association.

CONTRACT ADJUSTMENTS (INSTRUCTIONAL)

Amanda Kroehler - Increase in assignment as Physical Education Teacher at Jefferson Elementary School from 1.00 FTEs to 1.066 FTEs beginning November 28, 2022, for the remainder of the 2022-23 school year.

CONTRACT ADJUSTMENTS (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Pamela Allen - Increase hourly rate to \$18.00 as Infant Care Provider with the TAPP Daycare at Central High School beginning July 1, 2022.

Kaitlyn Cebulla - Increase hourly rate to \$16.69 as ABE Teaching Assistant with the Adult Basic Education Program at Lincoln Community Center beginning July 1, 2022.

Debora Donahue - Increase hourly rate to \$17.08 as ABE Teaching Assistant with the Adult Basic Education Program at Lincoln Community Center beginning July 1, 2022.

Claudia Grunwaldt - Increase hourly rate to \$17.08 as ABE Teaching Assistant with the Adult Basic Education Program at Lincoln Community Center beginning July 1, 2022.

Hailey Hoppe - Increase in assignment as Special Education Paraeducator, classification B21.5, from 0.34 hours per day/5 days per week to 4.84 hours per day/5 days per week at Rosa Parks Elementary School beginning December 7, 2022. This is in addition to her Non-Classroom (Playground) Paraeducator, classification B21, assignment at Rosa Parks Elementary School.

Angelica Morales Rodriguez - Increase hourly rate to \$17.08 as ABE Teaching Assistant with the Adult Basic Education Program at Lincoln Community Center beginning July 1, 2022.

Vanessa Netro Moua - Increase hourly rate to \$16.69 as ABE Teaching Assistant with the Adult Basic Education Program at Lincoln Community Center beginning July 1, 2022.

Hiroko Wollam - Increase hourly rate to \$17.08 as ABE Teaching Assistant with the Adult Basic Education Program at Lincoln Community Center beginning July 1, 2022.

Jill Wood - Change in assignment from Lead Teacher to Child Care Substitute with Lincoln Logs Learning Center beginning December 1, 2022. She will be compensated at the rate of \$17.50 per hour.

REQUESTS FOR LEAVE (INSTRUCTIONAL)

Emily Ball - 3rd Grade Teacher at Rosa Parks Elementary School, has requested leave under the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act beginning March 27 and returning to work on May 8, 2023.

Thomas Wolfe - School Psychologist at Bridges Community School, Dakota Meadows Middle School, and Prairie Care, has requested leave under the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act beginning January 18 and returning to work on March 13, 2023.

REQUESTS FOR LEAVE (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Laycon Robinson - Extend Board-approved leave, returning to work on January 9, 2023.

RESIGNATIONS (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Kaylee Jacobs - Non-Classroom (Playground/Lunchroom) Paraeducator at Jefferson Elementary School, has submitted a resignation. The last day of employment will be June 3, 2022.

Yamileth Jimenez - Non-Classroom (Playground) Paraeducator at Washington Elementary School, has submitted a resignation. The last day of this assignment will be December 16, 2022. She will continue as ACES Child Care Assistant at Hoover Elementary School.

David Milanoski - Non-Classroom (Playground) Paraeducator at Bridges Community School, has submitted a resignation. The last day of employment will be June 2, 2022.

Katie Way - ACES Child Care Assistant at Franklin Elementary School, has submitted a resignation. The last day of employment will be December 14, 2022.

Information Reports: Board Member Workshop/Committee Reports.

Meeting was recessed at 5:56 p.m. and resumed at 6:00 p.m.

Public Hearing for 2023-24 School Year Property Tax Levy. Superintendent Peterson provided background information. Chair Sapp declared the public hearing open. Three citizens wished to speak and Chair Sapp closed the hearing.

Information Reports: MAPS Principal Report provided by Jason Grovom, Monde Schwartz, Brian Hansen, Scott Hare and John Lustig.

The following gifts have been received by the School District:

The following were donated to the Mankato FFA Chapter:

- \$2,310 from Le Sueur County Farm Bureau Association
- \$100 from Benco Cooperative
- \$1,000 from United Prairie Bank

Les & Mika Laidlaw donated \$100 for East High VEX Robotics

Scheels donated Scheels Stuffed Puppies (\$5,572.80 value) for Elementary Schools

The following were donated to the West High Girls Hockey program:

- \$250 from City of North Mankato
- \$150 from Custom Craft Cabinets LLC
- \$100 from South Point Financial Credit Union
- \$200 from Big Dog Restaurants
- \$750 from Jill McKeown
- \$150 from Katoe Sports Inc.
- \$150 from Mankato Motors Co.
- \$250 from TGK Automotive

Mankato United Soccer Club donated \$250 for Boys and Girls Soccer programs

United Prairie Bank donated \$700 for West Boys Hockey Program

Vetter Stone Company donated \$1,000 for East High Boys Basketball

The following were donated to the West Hall of Fame:

- \$300 from Shawn & Sherri Blasing
- \$300 from Eric & Jessica Stenzel
- \$150 from Erik Erie & Kristin Gildseth Erie

Mr. Kind made a motion to accept the gifts. The motion was seconded by Ms. Schuck and carried on a 5-0 voice vote.

The following policies were presented for second reading and approval:

- 209 - Code of Ethics
- 210 - Conflict of Interest - School Board Members
- 515 - Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records
- 516 - Student Medication
- 524 - Internet Acceptable Use Policy
- 728 - Public Data and Data Subject Requests

The revised policies were approved on a motion by Ms. Schuck, second by Ms. Roberts, and carried on a 5-0 voice vote.

There being no further business to consider, Ms. Schuck moved and Mr. Kind seconded, that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was declared adjourned at 7:38 p.m., on a 5-0 voice vote.

Clerk _____

Attest:

Chairperson _____

SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDINGS
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1. Schuck/Kind approval of agenda with personnel addendum. 5-0
2. Open Forum - Ronald Schmidt, Julie Strusz, Elizabeth Hanke & John Wicklund wished to speak.
3. Roberts/Schuck approval of Consent Agenda Items: Approval of Minutes of the November 17, 2022, special meeting; Approval of Minutes of the November 21, 2022, regular meeting; Personnel. 5-0
4. Information: Board Member Reports.
5. Recessed meeting at 5:56 p.m. & resumed meeting at 6:00 p.m.
5. Public Hearing on 2023-24 School Year Property Tax Levy - three wished to speak.
6. Information: MAPS Principal Report.
7. Kind/Schuck acceptance of gifts and grants. 5-0
8. Schuck/Roberts approval of revised policies. 5-0
9. Schuck/Kind adjournment at 7:38 p.m. 5-0

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By: Erin Roberts

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.