

Fillmore Central School
Board of Education
Organizational & Regular Meeting
January 26, 2021

The organizational and regular meeting of the Board of Education for Independent District #2198, Preston, Minnesota was called to order at 6:39 p.m. on the evening of Tuesday, January 26, 2021, in the Fillmore Central High School Cafeteria by Vice-Chair Britton. Present: Superintendent Heath Olstad, Business Manager Kathy Whalen, Board Members: Sikkink, Pickett, Britton, Topness, re-elected board members Love, Ristau and newly board-elected member Aaron Bishop. Absent: None. Visitors: Erin O'Brien, Morgan Knutson, Matt Hellickson, Hannah Wingert.

Recognition of visitors.

Pickett moved to approve the agenda with the following addition:

~Oath of Office for elected board members.

Motion seconded by Topness. Motion carried unanimously.

Vice-Chair Britton administrated the oath of office to newly elected board member Aaron Bishop, and re-elected board members Jim Love and Deb Ristau.

Love moved to approve the minutes of the December 22, 2020, regular board meeting. Motion seconded by Sikkink. Motion carried unanimously.

Sikkink moved to approve the monthly claims in the amount of \$208,786.76. Motion was seconded by Love. Motion carried unanimously.

Sikkink moved to nominate Craig Britton as Chairperson for 2021. Motion was seconded by Love. Love moved for nominations to cease, seconded by Ristau. Motions carried unanimously.

Love moved to nominate Jennifer Pickett as Vice-Chairperson for 2021. Motion was seconded by Sikkink. Sikkink moved for nominations to cease, seconded by Topness. Motions carried unanimously.

Love moved to nominate Deb Ristau as Clerk for 2021. Motion was seconded by Sikkink. Pickett moved to cast a unanimous ballot. Motions carried unanimously.

Sikkink moved to nominate Shelly Topness as Vice-Clerk for 2021. Motion was seconded by Love. Pickett moved to cast a unanimous ballot. Motions carried unanimously.

Topness moved to nominate Sue Sikkink as Treasurer for 2021. Motion was seconded by Pickett. Love moved to cast a unanimous ballot. Motions carried unanimously.

Love moved to set the school board salaries for 2021 as follows:

Chairperson \$1,440; Vice-Chairperson \$1,080; Clerk \$1,080; Vice-Clerk \$1,080;

Treasurer \$1,350; Director \$1,080; extra board/negotiation meetings \$25 each.

Motion was seconded by Ristau. Motion carried unanimously.

Pickett moved to set 2021 committee assignments as follows:

Community Education	Ristau, Topness
Continuing Education	Pickett
Meet and Confer	Sikkink, Topness
MSBA Liaison	Bishop
MSHSL/Three-Rivers Conference	Britton
Special Ed Advisory Council	Pickett
Negotiations	Britton, Topness, Sikkink
Policy	Love, Pickett, Bishop
System Accountability	Sikkink

Extra-curricular Advisory	Ristau, Topness
Staff Development	Ristau
Vendor Negotiations	Britton, Pickett, Love
Facility Focus	Britton, Bishop, Love
Budget	Britton, Sikkink, Ristau
Technology	Love
Curriculum/Calendar	Pickett
Vocational Studies	Pickett, Love, Bishop

Motion seconded by Topness. Motion carried unanimously.

Pickett moved to approve the following Official Appointment/Designation for 2021:

- ▶ Designate the First Southeast Bank of Harmony, F&M Community Bank of Preston, First State Bank of Fountain, and MSDLAF as the official depositories for 2021.
- ▶ Designate the Fillmore County Journal as official newspapers for 2021.
- ▶ Designate KTTC-TV, as official television station for school closings along with the Fillmore Central school website, Fillmore Central Facebook page and the student JMC Messenger system.
 - ▶ Give authority to wire-transfer funds and purchase Certificates of Deposit to Kathy Whalen, Darla Ebner, and Heath Olstad.
 - ▶ Authorize payment of bills prior to school board meetings that have a penalty for late payment.
 - ▶ Set monthly regular board meetings for the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm.
 - ▶ Designate Knutson, Flynn, and Deans as official school district legal counsel.
 - ▶ Designate the elementary office, district office, and the high school office as designated posting places for official notices.

Motion was seconded by Ristau. Sikkink abstained due to conflict of interest (official depositories). Motion carried.

The Principals' and Dean of Students' reports were presented by Heath Olstad.

Moved by Love to accept wrestling coach Joe Cullen's leave request due to COVID concerns. Motion was seconded by Pickett. Motion carried unanimously.

Love moved to approve the hire of Blaise Sass as Head Wrestling Coach and Adam Daniels as Assistant Wrestling Coach. Motion was seconded by Pickett. Motion carried unanimously.

Love moved to approve Jason and Erik Bengtson as volunteer wrestling coaches. Motion was seconded by Ristau. Motion carried unanimously.

Sikkink moved to approve Kayla Carroll's paraprofessional hours to 6.75 per student contact day. Motion was seconded by Topness. Motion carried unanimously.

Topness moved to approve Allison Braaten's paraprofessional hours to 6.75 per student contact day. Motion was seconded by Bishop. Motion carried unanimously.

Love moved to approve the hiring of Brianna Deo as a float aide for One Block at a Time. Motion was seconded by Topness. Motion carried unanimously.

Sikkink moved to approve the hire of Shelby Ebner as Title I long-term licensed substitute to cover a FMLA absence. Motion was seconded by Pickett. Motion carried unanimously.

Pickett moved to approve the FMLA request from Heather Shupe. Leave will be on an intermittent basis starting on 1/11/2021. Motion was seconded by Love. Motion carried unanimously.

Sikkink moved to approve the six-week maternity leave request from Samantha Weigert to begin on or about March 19, 2021. Motion was seconded by Bishop. Motion carried unanimously.

Love moved to approve the ALP Summer Program as presented. Motion was seconded by Pickett. Motion carried unanimously.

Love moved to accept, with thanks, the generous community donations to the district from October 1, 2020-December 31, 2020 totaling \$14,433.00 as presented (*complete list of donations is on file in the district office*). Motion was seconded by Topness. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Pickett to approve the open enrollment request for a Kingsland 2021-2022 Kindergarten student to attend Fillmore Central. Motion was seconded by Love. Motion carried unanimously.

Pickett moved to change the location for the February regular board meeting from the Elementary Meeting Room in Preston to the Fillmore Central Cafeteria in Harmony on February 23, 2021, 6:30 p.m. Motion seconded by Love. Motion carried unanimously.

Items of discussion with no board action: Summer school for 7-12 students, COVID vaccination progress, 4-period day at the high school.

Matt Hellickson addressed the board on the current district protocol on the quarantining time frame.

Ristau moved to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Sikkink. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Ristau, Clerk
Clerk, Independent School District #2198