Fillmore Central School Board of Education Regular Meeting February 18, 2009

The regular meeting of the Board of Education for Independent District #2198, Preston, Minnesota was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on the evening of Wednesday, February 18, 2009, in the Fillmore Central Middle School Media Center by Chairperson Sikkink. Present: Superintendent Myrna Luehmann, Bookkeeper Darla Ebner, Board Members: Britton, Kiehne, Love, Ristau, Sikkink, and Torgrimson. Absent: Ostrom. Visitors: Heath Olstad, Paula Birch, Holly Kanengieter, Jade Wangen, and Lisa Brainard.

Recognition of visitors: None.

Addition to the agenda: paraprofessional resignation.

Britton moved to approve the agenda with the addition above. Motion seconded by Torgrimson. Motion carried unanimously.

Britton moved to approve the minutes of the January 27, 2009, regular board meeting pending a correction to the motion regarding the vice-clerk position. Motion seconded by Love. Motion carried unanimously.

Torgrimson moved to approve the minutes of the February 4, 2009, special board meeting. Motion seconded by Kiehne. Motion carried unanimously.

Torgrimson moved to approve the monthly claims in the amount of \$313,448.93. Motion was seconded by Love. Motion carried unanimously.

Principals' reports were received from Myrna Luehmann and Heath Olstad.

Love moved to hire Jackie Whitacre and Sara Blessing as co-directors for the 2008/09 spring musical. They will share the director stipend. Motion seconded by Kiehne. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Luehmann presented to the Board a list of non-monetary donations recently received by the school district. Items include miscellaneous furniture (chairs, desks, tables, file cabinets, whiteboards, etc) received from CB Richard Ellis, Inc. and Encyclopedia Britannica reference materials for the media center received from Anna Kiehne. The Board wishes to thank Ms. Kiehne and CB Richard Ellis, Inc. for their generous donations.

Britton updated the Board on a recent facility committee meeting. The committee has been working on a rental agreement document to take effect July 1, 2009.

Discussion was held regarding a new pay scale for daycare staff.

Ristau moved to approve the daycare pay scale as presented, effective February 23, 2009. Substitute, aide - \$7.55/hour Substitute, lead teacher - \$8.55/hour New hire, aide - \$8.00/hour New hire, lead teacher - \$9.00 – no benefits No pay increases for substitutes. Motion seconded by Love. Motion carried unanimously.

The budget committee will meet February 25, 2009 to discuss 2008/09 budget revisions as well as 2009/10 budget projections.

Torgrimson updated the board on a recent legislative update meeting that he attended.

Discussion was held regarding the 2009/10 budget reduction process. The budget committee will determine a target reduction amount(s) at their committee meeting on February 25th. Recommendations will be brought to the March regular board meeting. A special public meeting will be held April 14, 2009 at 7:00 pm in the high school media center for public input regarding 2009/10 budget reductions.

Ristau moved to accept the resignation of Diane Torgerson as a paraprofessional at the Root River Program. Motion seconded by Torgrimson. Motion carried unanimously.

Kiehne moved to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Love. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Ostrom Clerk, Independent School District #2198