

Fillmore Central School
Board of Education
Organizational & Regular Meeting
January 27, 2009

The organizational and regular meeting of the Board of Education for Independent District #2198, Harmony, Minnesota was called to order at 7:10 p.m. on the evening of Tuesday, January 27, 2009, in the Fillmore Central High School Media Center by Superintendent Luehmann. Present: Business Manager Kathy Whalen, Board Members: Britton, Ostrom, Sikkink, and Torgrimson. Board- Elect Members: Love, Ristau, Kiehne. Absent: None. Visitors: Jim Schmidt, Melissa VanderPlas, Jade Wangen, Chris Mensink.

Recognition of visitors: None.

The Oath of Office was administered by Ms. Luehmann to new and re-elected board members: James Love, Ross Kiehne, and Deb Ristau.

Britton moved to approve the agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Ostrom. Motion carried unanimously.

Ostrom nominated Sue Sikkink as Chairperson for 2009 and moved to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson Sikkink took over the meeting.

Torgrimson moved to nominate Deb Ristau as Vice-Chairperson for 2009 and moved to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot. Motion carried unanimously.

Love moved to nominate Sue Ostrom as Clerk for 2009 and moved to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot. Motion carried unanimously.

Britton moved to nominate Jim Love as Vice-Clerk for 2009 and moved to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot. Motion carried unanimously.

Kiehne moved to nominate John Torgrimson as Treasurer for 2009 and moved to cease nominations and cast unanimous ballot. Motion carried unanimously.

Ristau moved to set the school board salaries for 2009 as follows:
Chairperson \$1,600; Vice-Chairperson \$1,200; Clerk \$1,200; Vice-Clerk \$1,200;
Treasurer \$1,500; Director \$1,200; extra meetings \$25 each.
Motion was seconded by Ostrom. Motion carried unanimously.

Love moved to set the committee assignments for 2009 as follows:

Community Education	Love, Ostrom
Continuing Ed	Kiehne
Extra-Curricular Advisory	Britton, Sikkink
Facilities	Britton, Ostrom, Torgrimson
Meet & Confer	Ostrom, Love
MSBA	Torgrimson
MSHSL/Three Rivers Conference	Britton
Negotiations	Ristau, Sikkink, Kiehne
Public Relations	Ristau, Torgrimson
Policy Committee	Sikkink, Love
Staff Development	Ostrom
System Accountability	Sikkink
Vendor Negotiations	Britton, Torgrimson, Kiehne
Budget	Torgrimson, Kiehne
Special Ed Advisory Council	Sikkink

Motion was seconded by Torgrimson. Motion carried unanimously.

Love moved to 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 2009. Motion seconded by Ristau. Sue Sikkink abstained due to conflict of interest. Motion carried unanimously.

Britton moved to designate the Republican-Leader, News-Record, and Fillmore County Journal as official newspapers for 2009. Motion was seconded by Love. John Torgrimson abstained due to conflict of interest. Motion carried unanimously.

Torgrimson moved to designate KQYB, KFIL, KROC, KNXR, KTTC-TV, KAAL-TV, Harmony and Preston local cable channels as official radio/television stations. Motion was seconded by Ostrom. Motion carried unanimously.

Britton moved to give authority to wire-transfer funds and purchase Certificates of Deposit to Kathy Whalen, Darla Ebner, and Myrna Luehmann. Motion was seconded by Torgrimson. Motion carried unanimously.

Love moved to authorize payment of bills prior to school board meetings that have a penalty for late payment. Motion was seconded by Kiehne. Motion carried unanimously.

Ristau moved to set monthly regular board meetings for the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm. Motion was seconded by Britton. Motion carried unanimously.

Britton moved to designate Knutson, Flynn, and Deans as official school district legal counsel. Motion was seconded by Ristau. Motion carried unanimously.

Britton moved to designate the elementary/middle school office, district office, and the high school as designated posting places for official notices. Motion was seconded by Love. Motion carried unanimously.

Britton moved to approve the minutes of the December 22, 2008, regular board meeting. Motion seconded by Kiehne. Motion carried unanimously.

Torgrimson moved to approve the monthly claims in the amount of \$519,015.34. Motion was seconded by Ristau. Motion carried unanimously.

Principal's report was received from Myrna Luehmann. Chris Mensink presented the Dean of Students Report.

Superintendent Luehmann presented the board with two calendar option for 2009-2010 for their consideration.

The board reviewed the two bids received for the annual financial audit:

Vendor	Smith Schafer & Assoc.	LarsonAllen	
Audit 2009	\$ 10,950.00	\$ 15,900.00	
Single Audit 2009 (federal)	\$ 3,500.00	additional \$	
Total:	\$ 14,450.00	\$ 15,900.00	plus single audit fees
Audit 2010	\$ 11,500.00	\$ 16,400.00	
Single Audit 2010 (federal)	\$ 3,600.00	additional \$	
Total:	\$ 15,100.00	\$ 16,400.00	plus single audit fees

Moved by Britton to accept the bid from Smith Schafer & Assoc. for the 2009 and 2010 audits. Motion was seconded by Love. Motion carried unanimously.

Ristau moved to approve coaches for spring 2009 sports as follows:

Baseball, Jr. High – David Broadwater

Softball, B Squad – Brenda Ryan

Motion was seconded by Torgrimson. Motion carried unanimously.

Member Torgrimson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, which motion was seconded by Member Britton:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL
BUILDING REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2009**

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2198 (Fillmore Central Public Schools), Minnesota (the District), as follows:

SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION AND SALE.

1.01. Authorization. This Board hereby determines that it is in the best interests of the District to authorize the issuance and sale of its General Obligation School Building Refunding Bonds, Series 2009 (the Bonds) in the principal amount not to exceed \$1,395,000. The proceeds of the Bonds will be used, together with any additional funds of the District which might be required, to currently refund and prepay, on May 1, 2009, the 2010 through 2015 maturities, aggregating \$1,350,000 in principal amount, of the District's outstanding \$2,515,000 General Obligation School Building Refunding Bonds, Series 2001A, originally dated December 1, 2001 (the Refunded Bonds).

1.02. Solicitation of Proposals. The Superintendent and Business Manager in conjunction with Springsted Incorporated, financial advisor to the District, are hereby authorized to solicit proposals for the purchase and sale of the Bonds.

1.03. Award of Sale. The Superintendent and Business Manager, in consultation with and upon the advice of representatives of Springsted Incorporated, are hereby authorized and directed to select the best proposal for the Bonds and award the sale of the Bonds to the entity submitting such proposal (the Purchaser), provided that the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds shall not exceed \$1,395,000, provided the total net savings is at least \$70,000, and the true interest cost is less than 3.25% per annum. This Board shall meet at a time and place specified by the Superintendent and Business Manager to adopt a bond resolution incorporating the terms and conditions of the proposal so accepted.

1.04. Expiration. The authorization provided in Sections 1.02 and 1.03 hereof shall expire on March 27, 2009.

Upon vote being taken on the foregoing resolution, the following voted in favor thereof: All and the following voted against the same: None whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Ristau moved to set the Drivers Education fees for 2009 as follows: \$330.00 for Fillmore Central students, \$380.00 for non-Fillmore Central students, and \$40.00 per hour for additional behind-the-wheel training. Motion was seconded by Britton. Motion carried unanimously.

Ristau moved to accept the open enrollment requests received from four Kingsland students. Motion seconded by Ostrom. Motion carried unanimously.

Ostrom moved to approve a Superintendent contract with Myrna Luehmann for the 2009-2010 school year. Compensation will remain the same as her 2008-2009 contract and includes a Letter of Understanding for the \$1,000/month stipend for assuming the K-8 Principal duties for the 2009/10 school year. 403b language was added. Motion seconded by Britton. Voting yes: Britton, Sikkink, Love, Kiehne, Ostrom. Voting no: Torgrimson, Ristau. Motion carried.

Britton moved to approve a 1.25 hr. per day increase for Heather Shupe, special education para. Motion was seconded by Kiehne. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Luehmann presented information on various upcoming training sessions for the board.

Ostrom moved to change the February regular board meeting to Wednesday, February 18th at 6:00 p.m. in the middle school media center. Motion seconded by Britton. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Ostrom
Clerk, Independent School District #2198