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Fillmore Central School
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
June 23, 2009

The regular meeting of the Board of Education for Independent District #2198, Preston, Minnesota was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on the evening of Tuesday, June 23, 2009, in the Fillmore Central Middle School Media Center by Chairperson Sikkink. Present: Superintendent Luehmann, Bookkeeper Darla Ebner, Board Members: Kiehne, Love, Ostrom, Ristau, Sikkink, and Torgrimson. Absent: Britton. Visitors: Heath Olstad, Michelle Breitsprecher, Jill Zmyewski, Jade Wangen, and Lisa Brainard.

Recognition of visitors: None.

Love moved to approve the agenda with additions:

- 09/10 membership to Southeast Service Cooperative
- 08/09 budget revision
- Attachment 99 health & safety draft

Motion was seconded by Ostrom. Motion carried unanimously.

Love moved to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2009, regular board meeting. Motion was seconded by Torgrimson. Motion carried unanimously.

Torgrimson moved to approve the monthly claims in the amount of \$271,948.69. Motion was seconded by Love. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Kiehne moved to approve the first reading of the High School Student Handbook. Motion was seconded by Love. Motion carried unanimously.

Michelle Breitsprecher reported on the Root River Program.

Ristau moved to approve the first reading of the Root River Program Student Handbook. Motion was seconded by Kiehne. Motion carried unanimously.

Love moved to approve the 2009/10 rental agreement with the City of Harmony for Root River Program rooms. (The contract is the same as the 2008/09 agreement.) Motion seconded by Ristau. Motion carried unanimously.

Torgrimson moved to approve a contract with Heath Olstad, High School Principal/High School Counselor for the 2009/10 and 2010/11 school years as presented – no salary increase, 403b district contribution. Motion seconded by Love. Motion carried unanimously.

Love moved to approve the hire of Aaron Janssen, 1.0 FTE high school social studies teacher, for the 2009/10 school year. Motion was seconded by Ristau. Motion carried unanimously.

Ristau moved to approve the hire of Emily Kastler, 1.0 FTE elementary teacher, for the 2009/10 school year. Motion was seconded by Kiehne. Motion carried unanimously.

Ristau moved to approve the early admission of a kindergarten student for the 2009/10 school year. Motion seconded by Torgrimson. Motion carried unanimously.

Ostrom moved to approve an open enrollment request received from a Lanesboro resident to attend Fillmore Central High School. Motion was seconded by Kiehne. Motion carried unanimously.

Kiehne moved to approve tenure of Jessica Powell effective with the 2009/10 school year. Motion was seconded by Ostrom. Motion carried unanimously.

Love moved to approve tenure of Nate Carlson effective with the 2009/10 school year. Motion was seconded by Kiehne. Motion carried unanimously.

Love moved to accept the resignation of Charlene Grabau. Motion seconded by Torgrimson. Motion carried unanimously.

Torgrimson moved to accept the resignation of Heather Shupe as Youth Enrichment Coordinator. Motion seconded by Ristau. Motion carried unanimously.

Kiehne moved to approve the hire of Cheryl Ristau-Tesch as part-time custodian, up to 25 hours/week. Motion was seconded by Ostrom. Motion carried unanimously.

Ostrom moved to approve the revised school calendar for the 2009/10 school year. Start date – August 24, 2009; End date – May 21, 2010. Motion seconded by Kiehne. Motion carried unanimously.

Kiehne moved to recertify the 2008/09 school calendar to 171 student days and 183 teacher days. Motion seconded by Torgrimson. Motion carried unanimously.

Kiehne moved to approve membership in Southeast Service Cooperative for the 2009/10 school year. Motion seconded by Love. Motion carried unanimously.

Love moved to approve membership in Minnesota Rural Education Association for the 2009/10 school year. Motion seconded by Torgrimson. Motion carried unanimously.

Kiehne moved to approve a revision to the 2008/09 general fund revenue/expenditure budget as follows:

	REVENUES	EXPENSES
General Fund (01+09)	\$7,386,546	\$7,542,028

Motion seconded by Love. Motion carried unanimously.

Love moved to approve the Attachment 99 for Health & Safety Funding as presented. Motion was seconded by Kiehne. Motion carried unanimously.

Member Torgrimson introduced and moved the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE MINNESOTA SERVICE COOPERATIVES VEBA PLAN AND TRUST, AND A HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT ARRANGEMENT FOR ACTIVE EMPLOYEES

WHEREAS, the Fillmore Central School District wishes to offer tax preferred and tax free benefit plans to current and former employees;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. The Fillmore Central School District will take whatever steps are necessary to establish a Voluntary Employees' Beneficiary Association ("VEBA") for the provision of a Health Reimbursement Arrangement for Active Employees.

2. The Fillmore Central School District hereby adopts the Minnesota Service Cooperatives VEBA Plan and Employee Benefits Trust Agreement, which is intended to qualify as a VEBA under Section 501(c)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code, and consents to and ratifies the appointment of the trustee and plan administrator in place on the adoption date of this agreement.

3. The effective date of the establishment of the VEBA and Health Reimbursement Arrangement shall be September 1, 2009.

Whereupon the above Resolution was seconded by Member Kiehne and the following voted in favor of the resolution:

Kiehne, Love, Ostrom, Ristau, Sikkink, Torgrimson

And the following voted against same:

None

Whereupon the resolution was declared to be duly passed and adopted.

Moved by Torgrimson to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND AWARDING SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION AID ANTICIPATION CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS, SERIES 2009A, AND FIXING FORM AND TERMS THEREOF IN CONNECTION WITH THE MINNESOTA TAX AND AID ANTICIPATION BORROWING PROGRAM SPONSORED BY THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION AND GREATER MINNESOTA SERVICE COOPERATIVES.

Motion was seconded by Kiehne. Motion carried unanimously. *(Complete copy of resolution on file in the District Office.)*

Torgrimson moved to approve the following for the 2009/10 school year:

- Set substitute teacher pay at \$100.00/day; \$50.00/half day
- Set the number of days as a substitute before being placed on the salary schedule at 10 consecutive days
- Set substitute secretary pay at \$8.00 per hour
- Set substitute paraprofessional pay at \$8.00 per hour
- Set substitute custodial pay at \$9.50 per hour
- Set van and substitute van driver at \$8.75 per hour
- Set non-sufficient funds fee at \$10.00
- Set payroll policy regarding 403b sign-up for employees in September only

Motion seconded by Kiehne. Motion carried unanimously.

Love moved to set the Hot Lunch Prices at: \$1.85 K-5, \$2.00 6-12, \$3.00 Adult, \$.40 Reduced, \$.40 extra milk, \$15.00 per semester Kindergarten Milk, \$35.00 per semester Grades 1-8 milk break for the 2009/10 school year. Motion seconded by Ostrom. Following discussion the motion was amended by Love to raise the adult lunch price to \$3.05. Motion, as amended, carried unanimously.

Kiehne moved to approve the Version B budget received from Taher Food Service (plus a nickel increase to the adult meal price) for the 2009/10 school year. Motion seconded by Love. Motion carried unanimously.

Love moved to set 2009/10 season sports pass prices as follows: K-12 student pass - \$30, Adult pass - \$55, Family pass - \$140. And to set 2009/10 activity fees as follows: football, volleyball, wrestling, basketball, golf, softball, baseball and track - \$75 each; HS flag corps, 7-12 speech, Tapestry/Women’s Choir, Women’s Choir only, 9-12 Choir, 7-8 Knowledge Bowl, 9-12 Knowledge Bowl, 9-12 Band, HS/MS Jazz Band, One-Act Play, 3-Act Play - \$35 each. Family maximum - \$300. Motion seconded by Kiehne. Motion carried unanimously.

Torgrimson moved to approve the 2009/10 operating budget as presented:

	REVENUES	EXPENSES	BALANCE
General Fund (01+09)	\$5,850,498	\$5,860,213	(\$9,715)
Food Service	319,113	318,411	702
Community Service	397,246	424,844	(27,598)
Debt Service	373,975	342,514	31,461
Total All Funds	\$6,940,832	\$6,945,982	(\$5,150)

Motion seconded by Ostrom. Motion carried unanimously.

Ostrom moved to approve a June 30th check run to assist in closing out the fiscal year. Motion seconded by Love. Motion carried unanimously.

Sikkink updated the Board on the negotiations process with the district’s certified staff. The next negotiations meeting will be held July 13, 2009.

Ms. Luehmann updated the Board on the district’s Mini Grants. Mini grants approved for the 2009/10 school year totaled \$10,500. Ms. Luehmann thanked the local banks: First State Bank of Fountain, F&M Community Bank and First Southeast Bank for their continued support of the Mini Grant program.

Kiehne moved to adjourn. Motion seconded by Ostrom. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Ostrom
 Clerk, Independent School District #2198