

**SIBLEY EAST PUBLIC SCHOOLS
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 2310
ARLINGTON-GAYLORD-GREEN ISLE
ARLINGTON CAMPUS-MEDIA CENTER
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2024 @ 6:30 P.M.**

A call to order with a Salute to the Flag started the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Members present: Brian Brandt, Sara Ziegler, Avery Grochow, Ashley Latzke and Rachel Lueth. Member Reid arrived at 6:33 p.m.. Member Latzke excused herself at 6:50 p.m. for a band concert and returned at 7:25 p.m.

A motion by member Lueth, second by member Latzke to approve the agenda with two additions to the consent agenda. The additions were a resignation from Constance Morris, elementary school paraprofessional and recommended hire of Katie Mathwig, elementary school paraprofessional. The motion was approved. Vote: 5-0

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of Minutes: Recommend approval of October 21, 2024 Regular School Board Meeting Minutes and November 14, 2024 Special School Board Meeting Minutes. **Resignations:** Dan Morton, Asst. Wrestling Coach, Alan Halverson, Junior High Boys Basketball Coach, Hilary Enter, Child Care Coordinator, Stephanie Brandt, Prom Co-Advisor, Jazmine Delgado-Alvizo, elementary school paraprofessional, Constance Morris, elementary school paraprofessional. **Hires:** Dave Strack, Asst. Wrestling Coach, Grace Lundin, Prom Co-Advisor, Whitney Husfeldt, Junior High Girls Basketball Coach, Amber Wentzlaff, Child Care Coordinator, Emily Bush, After School Child Care Coordinator, Hilary Enter, MS/HS paraprofessional, Katie Mathwig, elementary school paraprofessional. **Leave of Absence:** Korine Oie, elementary teacher. **Fundraiser Requests:** Boys Basketball - Eteamsponsor Donations, Biology Club - Club T-Shirt Sales, Elementary Art Club - Square I Art, MS Student Council - December Activities. **Fundraiser Accountability Reports:** Eagle Bluff Fundraiser **Policies:** First Reading: Policy 301 - School District Administration, Policy 302 - Superintendent, Policy 303 - Superintendent Selection, Policy 304 - Superintendent Contract, Duties, and Evaluation, Policy 305 - Policy Implementation, Policy 306 - Administrator Code of Ethics. There were no revisions to the 300 series of policies, therefore, the district policy committee members recommend waiving the second reading and approval of review on the first reading.

A motion was made by member Ziegler, seconded by member Grochow to approve the consent agenda. The motion was approved. Vote: 6-0

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

The FY2024 audit report was presented virtually by Alex Trippel, a senior associate CPA with Abdo, who provides the school district auditing services. There were no instances of noncompliance noted in the Minnesota Legal Compliance Report or the Single Audit Report.

A draft proposal of the 25-26 school calendar was presented to the school board for their review and comment. The calendar will be presented for board action at the December meeting.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Carol Mader, Arlington resident, addressed the board with concerns regarding the closing of the pool, the plan for closing the pool, and the missed opportunity to convert it to a salt water pool.

BOARD REPORTS:

An update was provided by the finance committee on the building bond refinancing, budget updates, and negotiations.

OLD BUSINESS:

Member Reid moved, second by member Grochow, to accept the quote from Haggemiller Lumber for snow removal at the Arlington campus for the 24-25 school year. The motion was approved. Vote: 5-0

Member Lueth moved, second by member Ziegler, to accept the quote from Top Notch Construction for snow removal at the Gaylord campus for the 24-25 school year. The motion was approved. Vote: 5-0

NEW BUSINESS:

Member Ziegler moved, second by member Reid, to accept the Fiscal Year 2024 Audit Report as presented by Abdo Audit Services. The motion was approved. Vote 5-0

Member Grochow moved, second by member Ziegler, to approve the November 2024 bills totaling \$1,467,475.36. The motion was approved. Vote: 5-0

Member Lueth moved, second by member Grochow, to approve the READ Act MOU with Sibley East Education Minnesota regarding LETRS training compensation as presented. The motion was approved. Vote: 5-0

Member Reid moved, second by member Grochow, to approve the resolution relating to Combined Polling Places Established for 2025 School District Special Elections. Voting in favor: Reid, Grochow, Brandt, Lueth, Ziegler. Opposed: None. Resolution is duly passed. Vote: 5-0

Member Ziegler moved, second by member Lueth, to approve the Teacher Seniority List for 24-25 as presented. The motion was approved. Vote: 5-0

Member Lueth moved, second by member Ziegler, to approve the 2025 Sibley East School Board meeting dates, times, and locations. The motion was approved. Vote: 5-0

Member Reid moved, second by member Ziegler, to approve the 3-year audit services proposal from Abdo Auditing Services. The motion was approved. Vote: 5-0

Member Brandt moved, second by member Grochow, to approve a contract with Vos Construction to complete the swimming pool bracing project for \$7,220.00. The motion was approved. Vote: 4-0 Member Lueth abstained.

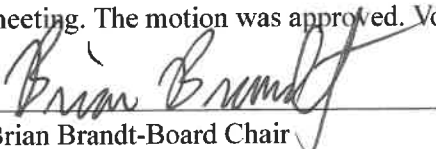
Member Reid moved, second by member Grochow, to approve a contract with Dakota Robinson Trucking to complete the swimming pool infill project for \$23,380.00. The motion was approved. Vote: 4-0 Member Lueth abstained.

DONATIONS: \$100.00 Anonymous to Biology Club, \$300.00 Teuby Continued to Prom, \$1,500.00 ProGrowth Bank to Math Department for Calculators, \$1,000.00 Haggemiller Lumber for Biology Equipment, \$475.00 Gaylord Game Protective for Elementary Homecoming, \$204.38 Jim Callahan Tools for Band Program, \$500.00 Gaylord Protective League to elementary student needs account, \$300.00 Gaylord Fire Department to elementary student needs account, \$500.00 Arlington State Bank to Courage Retreat, \$250.00 Gaylord American Legion Post 433 to Veterans Day Program. A motion was made by member Ziegler, second by member Lueth to accept the donation with gratitude. The motion was approved. Vote: 5-0

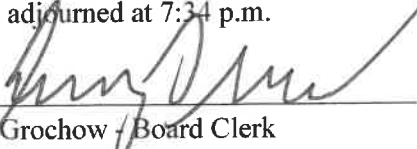
ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: Copies of November board reports from elementary principal, Mrs. Feterl and secondary principal, Mr. Wagner were provided to board members. Superintendent, Mr. Seifert provided a November board update on negotiations, the Minnesota State High School League, and enrollment.

OTHER INFORMATION: The next Regular School Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 16, 2024 beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Media Center at the Arlington Campus. The Truth in Taxation meeting will precede the regular board meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Media Center at the Arlington Campus.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by member Lueth and seconded by member Latzke to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved. Vote: 6-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.



Brian Brandt-Board Chair



Avery Grochow-Board Clerk

A full copy of the minutes can be obtained at the Sibley East Public Schools Business Office located at:
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