

Board Meeting Minutes October 21, 2019

The Board of Education of Independent School District No. 299, Caledonia, Minnesota, met in a regular school board meeting in Room A154 of the Middle/High School Building. The meeting was called to order by Chair Kelley McGraw at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. The school board members present were Jared Barnes, Matt Blocker, Melissa Marschall, Emily McGonigle, Kelley McGraw, Wendy Woyczik, Spencer Yohe, and student school board representatives Noah King and Sam Privet. Also present were Superintendent Craig Ihrke, Nathan Boler, Susan Link, Gretchen Linzmeier, Barb Meyer, and Karen Schiltz.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Spencer Yohe, seconded by Melissa Marschall to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

STUDENT SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER REPORT

Student school board representatives Noah King and Sam Privet informed the board that the National Honor Society will be participating with highway cleanup on Wednesday. Recycling is underway in the MSHS building. The fall sports playoffs have begun. Juniors attended a career fair in La Crosse and also toured WTC as part of this career fair.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Jared Barnes seconded by Wendy Woyczik to approve the following consent agenda items:

- Approval of September 23, 2019, regular board meeting minutes.
- Approval of the electronic transfers and bills due and payable amounting to \$393,293.18 along with electronic transfers from MSDLAF to Merchants Bank in the amount of \$400,000.00.
- Ratify the hiring of Leigha Gergen as the part-time surround care assistant at II/3 years at \$13.23 per hour.
- Adopt the following updated school policies as presented:
 - Mandated Reporting of Child Neglect or Physical or Sexual Abuse Policy #414
 - Gifts to Employees and School Board Members Policy #421
 - School Activities Policy #510
 - Student Promotion, Retention, and Program Design Policy #513
 - Student Medication Policy #516
 - Internet Acceptable Use and Safety Policy #524
 - Unpaid Meal Charges Policy #534
 - School District Curriculum and Instruction Goals Policy #601

- Curriculum Development Policy #603
- Graduation Requirements Policy #613

Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

ACTION ITEMS

Unpaid Leave Request from Paulette Nord

Moved by Spencer Yohe, seconded by Matt Blocker to approve the request from Paulette Nord for an unpaid leave beginning March 16, 2020, through March 20, 2020. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Winter Sports Coaching Contracts

Moved by Emily McGonigle, seconded by Melissa Marschall to ratify the following coaching contracts for the 2019-2020 winter sports season contingent upon participation numbers in each of the sports:

- **Wrestling:**
 - Shay Mahoney, head coach, V/3 at \$3,902.12
 - Tanner Benson, assistant coach, III/2 at \$2,542.56
 - Jeff Winjum, junior high coach, I/9 at \$2,208.18
 - Troy King, junior high co-coaching, I/2 at \$612.21 (\$1,836.64/3)
 - Connor McCormick, junior high co-coaching, I/2 at \$612.21 (\$1,836.64/3)
 - John Wahlstrom, junior high coaching, I/2 at \$612.21 (\$1,836.64/3)
- **Boys' Basketball:**
 - Brad King, head coach, V/9 at \$4,093.12
 - Jeremy Leis, assistant coach, III/14 at \$2,914.11
 - Dan Reinhart, 9th grade coach, I/19 at \$2,208.18
 - Colton Lampert, 8th grade coach, I/1 at \$1,836.64
 - Robert Burmester, 7th grade co-coaching, I/6 at \$1,104.09 (\$2,208.18/2)
 - Austin Bauer, 7th grade co-coaching, I/0 at \$918.32 (\$1,836.64/2)
- **Girls' Basketball:**
 - Scott Sorenson, head coach, V/22 at \$4,093.12
 - Carl Fruechte, assistant coach, III/30 at \$2,914.11
 - Brent Schroeder, 9th grade coach, I/2 at \$1,836.64
 - Beth Morey, 8th grade coach, I/2 at \$1,836.64
 - Sara Klug, 7th grade coach, I/2 at \$1,836.64
- **Gymnastics:**
 - Jackie Johnson, head coach, V/11 at \$4,093.12
 - Helen Olson, assistant coach, III/3 at \$2,728.33

Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mrs. Link informed the board that students are off to a positive start and that student behavior has been much better this year thanks to the staff and the supports that have been put in place. New teacher observations are underway. She attended the MAASFEP Conference. On October 9th students and staff participated in Walk and Bike to School Day and had a great turnout for this event. Elementary

conferences were held on October 10th and October 15th. She updated the board regarding the PACE meeting that was held on October 14th. We continue to do training with our students to assure that they are following proper crossing procedures.

Mr. Boler informed the board that Jostens visited with the sophomore class with regard to ordering class rings. He met with Dependable Solutions to look at the current technology needs and future needs. A meeting was held with the middle school PBIS team to create positive messages and clear expectations for students as they use different areas of the school. Working on using common language of the “Warrior Way”. He met with Southeast Tech about a possible LPN program being offered for students at Caledonia. Students could be one class short of being an LPN by the time they graduate. The National Guard will be visiting 10-12 grade students on October 24th. The juniors attended career fair on October 3rd. October 4th was a staff development day, and the topics covered were FASTBRIDGE, EduClimber, and ALICE. He attended the MTSS conference on October 7th. Principals from Houston County met with Judge Sturion on October 10th. He is starting to look at scheduling options for the 2020-2021 school year and informed the board that MSHS enrollment continues to rise, which may require some changes to staffing/scheduling. MSHS conferences were held. The MSHS Veterans Day Program will be held on November 11th.

Ms. Linzmeier updated the board regarding the Hand in Hand Preschool, ECFE, SAC and Surround Care programs. Early childhood screening will be held on November 7th and November 8th. She completed the Parent Aware re-application which will be submitted on November 8th. The Pathways II scholarship funds have been allocated. Lego League will be participating in tournaments on December 14th and December 15th in Rochester. The next family movie night will be held on October 25th. She will be attending the MCEA conference on October 23rd through October 25th. She is working on completing the Community Ed Annual Report and will be submitting this by November 1st. She informed the board that the fall NWEA testing is complete.

Superintendent Ihrke informed the board that the new heating system in the elementary building is running. The board members will tour the MSHS softball and baseball dugout complexes toward the end of the board meeting this evening.

Mrs. Meyer continues to prepare for the audit and informed the board that the auditors will be in the school district on Friday.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

School Policies

The first reading of the following policies was held with the adoption to be taken at the regular November board meeting:

- Testing Accommodations, Modifications, and Exemptions for IEPs, Section 504 Plans, and LEP Students Policy #615
- School District System Accountability Policy #616
- Credit for Learning Policy #620
- Mandatory Summer School Instruction Policy #623
- Annual Audit Policy #703

- Vending Machines Policy #720
- Uniform Grant Guidance Policy Regarding Federal Revenue Sources Policy #721
- Disposition of Obsolete Equipment and Material Policy #802

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Directors Blocker, McGraw, and McGonigle updated the board regarding the teacher negotiations committee meeting. Director McGonigle updated the board regarding the curriculum committee meeting. Director Yohe updated the board regarding the HVED meeting.

BOARD SHOWCASE

The school board toured the new MSHS softball and baseball dugout complexes.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Emily McGonigle, seconded by Melissa Marschall to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Spencer Yohe, Clerk