

## **Board Meeting Minutes November 19, 2018**

The Board of Education of Independent School District No. 299, Caledonia, Minnesota, met in a regular school board meeting in the Middle/High School Media Center. The meeting was called to order by Chair Kelley McGraw at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Martin and students with the high school choir sang the National Anthem. The school board members present were Jared Barnes, Melissa Marschall, Emily McGonigle, Kelley McGraw, Jimmy Westland, Wendy Woyczik, and Spencer Yohe. Also, present were Gina Meinertz, Mary Morem, Nancy Runningen, Barb Meyer, Karen Schiltz, Dan McGonigle, Janelle Field Rohrer, and Erin Hammell. Absent was Superintendent Craig Ihrke and student school board representatives Isabel Allen and Noah King.

### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

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

### **WARRIOR PRIDE**

Thank you to Kyle Meyer with Meyer Concrete, LLC, for donating 7 ½ hours of labor pouring concrete at our elementary school. Thank you to Saxon Hall, LLC, for the monetary donation towards the natural playground. Thank you to Debby Klinski for the donation of funds to purchase a display freezer for ala carte. Thank you to Bruening Rock for donating a load of sand for the natural playground! Thank you to Konkel Forest Products, Inc. for donating 100 board feet of red oak for our shop class. Thank you to the Caledonia Lion's Club for volunteering 111 hours over forty-four events for our sports program this fall.

### **BOARD SHOWCASE**

#### **World's Best Work Force Report**

Moved by Jimmy Westland, seconded by Wendy Woyczik to adjourn the regular school board meeting to start the public meeting for the annual World's Best Work Force report to the public at 6:05 p.m. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Mrs. Meinertz and Mrs. Morem shared with the board the 2017-2018 Combined WBWF Summary and Achievement and Integration Progress Report. Plans were discussed for the upcoming school year based on review of goals, outcomes and strategies from the previous year.

Moved by Emily McGonigle, seconded by Wendy Woyczik to reconvene the regular school board meeting agenda at 6:10 p.m. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Moved by Spencer Yohe, seconded by Jared Barnes to approve the following consent agenda items:

- Approval of October 15, 2018, regular school board meeting minutes and the November 9, 2018, special school board meeting minutes.
  
- Approval of the electronic transfers and bills due and payable amounting to \$731,797.15 including check numbers 63828 through 63995 along with electronic transfers from MSDLAF to Merchants Bank in the amount of \$600,000.00.
  
- Accept the resignation of James Fruechte as a junior high boys' basketball coach effective immediately with thanks for his past year of service to our school district.

- Accept the resignation of Chyan Johanningmeier as the mental health practitioner with her last day of employment being November 23, 2018, with thanks for her past six months of service to our school district in this position.
- Ratify the following boys' basketball coaching contracts for the 2018-2019 school year as follows:
  - Dan Reinhart as the 9<sup>th</sup> grade boys' basketball coach in the amount of \$2,208.18 at I/18 years
  - Colton Lampert as the 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys' basketball coach in the amount of \$1,836.64 at I/0 year.
  - Bob Burmester as the 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys' basketball coach in the amount of \$2,208.18 at I/6 years.
- Accept the resignation of Heidi Grams as a part-time nutrition assistant and ratify the hiring of her as a part-time special ed para effective November 26, 2018, at II/3 years at \$13.08 per hour.

Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

Mrs. Meinertz informed the board that the third grade classes are participating in the first ever "Read to the Final Four" program and are doing an amazing job meeting their goals and have received a free subscription to MyON. The elementary is currently in a transition of the mental health practitioner position. The PACE meeting was held last week Monday with a large amount of people in attendance. She informed the board that there are some students with high behavioral needs in the elementary building this year. The staff continues to work together on how to curve these behavioral issues. The elementary student council students participated with the Great Rivers United Way in celebrating Minnesota Acts of Kindness week with doing a kindness activity by making cards with uplifting messages to the community's senior citizens.

Mrs. Morem congratulated Payton Schott for receiving academic all-state football. Congratulations to all the fall activities and good luck to the football team as they head to state. Congratulations to Sara Babinski who was the Lion's Club winner of the Peace Poster. She thanked the Lion's Club for their continued support they provide with ticket sales for fall events and as they prepare for the winter athletic season. Gymnastics and girls' basketball have begun. The One Act Play and musical try-outs have been conducted. The Veteran's Day program was well attended by the community and thanked all those in attendance and to the kitchen staff for providing lunch for the guests following the ceremony. Congratulations to Alicia Schroeder for receiving first place for the Patriot's Pen winners. She continues to work with teachers and teacher candidates on observations and how they can improve their practice. She spoke with new teachers at both Viterbo and Winona State Colleges as they enter the work force and how to prepare for interviews. The band held their first concert on November 13<sup>th</sup> and did a fantastic job. She thanked the band students for all their performances at games this fall. She informed the board that our students also participated in WSU honor choir and band. She informed the board that enrollment numbers in a couple of classes at the high school level are larger than she would like to see, and these numbers will continue to be the same if not increased for the 2019-2020 school year.

Mrs. Runnigen informed the board that she is continuing to accept registrations for the fall/winter classes and is working on the winter/spring community education catalog. The SAC program currently has sixty students registered and continues to accept registrations throughout the school year for this program. The surround care program currently has thirteen students registered. ECFE classes are held on Thursday evenings and Friday mornings with special events monthly. Early childhood screening was held on November 1<sup>st</sup> and November 2<sup>nd</sup> with twenty-four children participating. She updated the board with regard to testing.

Superintendent Ihrke was absent.

Mrs. Meyer informed the board that the final audit report and the truth in taxation meeting will be held as part of the December regular school board meeting. The final papers for the sale of the elementary white garage were received in the mail today from MDE and were given to the Houston County Auditor's Office for their filing.

## **NEW BUSINESS ITEMS**

### **School Policies**

The school board held the first reading of the following policies with the adoption to take place at the December 17, 2019, regular school board meeting:

- School District Curriculum and Instruction Goals Policy #601
- Curriculum Development Policy #603
- Instructional Curriculum Policy #604
- Graduation Requirements Policy #613
- Testing Accommodations, Modifications, and Exemptions for IEP's, Section 504 Plans, and LEP Students Policy #615
- School District System Accountability Policy #616
- Assessment of Student Achievement Policy #618
- Staff Development for Standards Policy #619
- Disposition of Obsolete Equipment and Material Policy #802

## **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Director McGraw congratulated Matt Blocker, Melissa Marschall, and Wendy Woyczik for being elected to serve on our school board. He updated the board regarding the Facilities Committee meeting. Director Yohe updated the board regarding the MSBA Conference he attended. Director Barnes updated the board regarding the Facility Committee meeting. Director Woyczik updated the board regarding the Curriculum Committee meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Melissa Marschall, seconded by Emily McGonigle to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 p.m. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

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Spencer Yohe, Clerk