

Board Meeting Minutes
School Board Retreat
May 13, 2013

The Board of Education of Independent School District No. 299, Caledonia, Minnesota, met in a school board retreat meeting in Room 222 of the Caledonia Area Elementary building. The meeting was called to order by Chair Michelle Werner at 5:30 p.m. The school board members present were Jared Barnes, Amanda King, Melissa Marschall, Kelley McGraw, Jean Meyer, Michelle Werner, Spencer Yohe, and Superintendent Ben Barton.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Melissa Marschall, seconded by Jean Meyer, to approve the agenda as amended to include a discussion regarding the elementary garage building. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

TOPICS TO BE ADDRESSED

Elementary Garage Building

The board discussed many options pertaining to the elementary garage building. It was the consensus of the board that repairing the building and leasing it would be the best option. Concerns such as costs/benefit ratio, leasing issues, and costs to repair the building were discussed. The board directed the superintendent to discuss this further at the next regular school board meeting and to meet with Mr. Harguth to have him put together a proposal of timelines for a class project and explore this also as possibly an STS project with Houston County.

Mission, Vision, Values and Goals

The board reviewed and discussed the current Mission, Vision, Values and Goals. It was the consensus of the board that the superintendent will contact Diane Schwinghammer to see if she is available to facilitate a goal setting exercise with the board members.

Administration Restructuring

The board discussed options regarding the filling of the athletic director position and the head custodian/maintenance director position.

Student Board Representative

The board discussed having a student board representative. The board directed Mr. DeMorett to read through the MSBA guidelines and determine the process to initiate having two student representatives on the board.

Staff Appreciation

Staff Appreciation will be on Thursday, May 16th.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Jared Barnes, seconded by Jean Meyer, to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Jean Meyer, Clerk