

Board Meeting Minutes March 16, 2015

The Board of Education of Independent School District No. 299, Caledonia, Minnesota, met in a regular school board meeting in the Elementary School Media Center. The meeting was called to order by Chair Kelley McGraw at 6:03 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. The school board members present were Jared Barnes, Amanda King arriving at 6:10 p.m., Kelley McGraw, Jean Meyer, Michelle Werner, Jimmy Westland, Spencer Yohe and student school board representatives Emily Ranzenberger and Brenna Werner. Also present were Superintendent Ben Barton, Gina Meinertz, Nancy Runnigen, Barb Meyer, Karen Schiltz, Dan McGonigle, and Janelle Field Rohrer.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Michelle Werner, seconded by Jean Meyer to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

WARRIOR PRIDE

Thank you to the Caledonia Lion's for volunteering 127 hours during the winter athletic sports season selling tickets.

BOARD SHOWCASE

Ms. Sandy Graves explained to the board the Neighbors in Action Program and the services this program provides to seniors in the community.

STUDENT SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER REPORT

Student school board representatives informed the board that a speaker will be coming to the school on Thursday to do a presentation on texting while driving. Pi Day was celebrated last week. A discussion was held regarding starting the process of finding student school board representatives for the upcoming school year.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Spencer Yohe, seconded by Jean Meyer to approve the following consent agenda:

- Approval of February 17, 2015, Regular School Board Minutes
- Approval of February 28, 2015, Financial Report
- Approval of February, 2015, bills due for payment in the amount of \$489,889.85 including check numbers 58243 through 58334
- Electronic transfers from MSDLAF to Merchants Bank in in the amount of \$600,000.00
- Resignations:
 - Accept the resignation of Patti Runnigen as a MS/HS Secretary I with thanks for her twenty-five years of service to the school district.
 - Accept the resignation of Mike Meiners as an elementary custodian with thanks for his four years of service to the school district.
 - Accept the resignation of Mike Gavin as a middle/high school custodian with thanks for his past year of service to the school district.
- Memorandum of Understanding Between Caledonia ISD #299 and Caledonia Educational Support Professionals Local #7345 as presented
- Approve the Hazing Prohibition Policy #526
- Approve the School District Curriculum and Instruction Goals Policy #601
- Approve the Curriculum Development Policy #603
- Approve the Instructional Curriculum Policy #604

- Approve the Graduation Requirements Policy #613
- Approve the Assessment of Student Achievement Policy #618
- Approve the Staff Development Policy #619
- Approve the Student Transportation Safety Policy #709
- Approve the Waste Reduction and Recycling Policy #805

Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

ACTION ITEMS

Healthy Community Partnership Agreement

Moved by Michelle Werner, seconded by Jared Barnes to approve the Healthy Community Partnership Agreement between the La Crescent Area Healthy Community Partnership/Neighbors in Action Program and the Caledonia Public School District. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

2014-2015 Revised Budget

Moved by Jimmy Westland, seconded by Amanda King to approve the revised 2014-2015 budget as presented. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Position Authorization

Moved by Jean Meyer, seconded by Michelle Werner to approve the position authorization for a Building and Grounds Coordinator. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

2015 Partial Reroof of Elementary School Building

Moved by Jean Meyer, seconded by Jared Barnes to award the bid for the 2015 partial reroof of the elementary building project to Ledegar Roofing. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mr. DeMorett was absent. He submitted a document updating the board regarding registration for the 2015-2016 school year. The Middle School Warrior Way team continues to meet and work hard to implement the first phase of the PBIS during fourth quarter. A full-length practice ACT test will be scheduled around the last week of March for juniors in preparation for the state-wide ACT assessment on April 28th.

Mrs. Meinertz shared with the board the “What’s new Caledonia” brochure that she created. Updated the board regarding curriculum mapping; I Love to Read month; and Warrior Voice.

Mrs. Runnigen updated the board regarding the Early Childhood Family Education, the Hand In Hand Preschool, and the SAC and Surround Care Programs. Registration for the 2015-16 preschool program was held on March 12th. Early childhood screening was held on March 5th and March 6th. She also updated the board regarding the Community Ed class offerings, the Title program and testing.

Superintendent Barton informed the board that the school district is working on creating another school video. He thanked everyone for attending the World’s Best Work Force meeting. The next meeting will be held on March 31, 2015. He is working with Mr. Schmidt with regard to changes in registration with the online courses. He discussed with the board the idea of moving forward with the Robotics Program in our school district.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

School Policies

The following items were reviewed by the board with the adoption to take place at the April regular school board meeting:

- Employee-Student Relationships Policy #423
- Search of Student Lockers, Desks, Personal Possessions, and Student's Person Policy #502
- Student Attendance Policy #503
- Violence Prevention (Applicable to Students and Staff) Policy #525
- Use of Peace Officers and Crisis Teams to Remove Students with IEP's from School Grounds Policy #532
- Testing Accommodations, Modifications, and Exemptions for IEP's. Section 504 Plans, and LEP Students Policy #615
- Modification of School District Budget Policy #701.1
- Advertising Policy #905

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Director Yohe updated the board regarding the State Capital meeting and the Minnesota State High School League meeting he attended. Director McGraw congratulated the students and staff for the nice job they did performing the *Annie Jr.* school musical.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Spencer Yohe, seconded by Michelle Werner to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Jean Meyer, Clerk