

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

Monday, September 18, 2006

The Board of Education of Independent School District #299, Caledonia, Minnesota, met in a regular school board meeting in the Caledonia Area Elementary Media Center.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Mary Frank at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Mary Frank, Naomi Fruechte, Joyce Knutson, Jean Meyer, Chuck Schulte, and Charlie Wray. Also present were Superintendent Michael Moriarty, Nancy Runningen arriving at 7:15 p.m., and Principals Brian Doty, Connie Hesse, and Ronald Helmers. Others present were Karen Schiltz, Barb Meyer, David Heiller, Elliott Kranz, Carrie Erickson, and Carol Nelson. Absent was Director Barbara Hurley.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Jean Meyer, seconded by Naomi Fruechte to approve the agenda as amended to include an update about the middle/high school signage project. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTES

Moved by Naomi Fruechte, seconded by Chuck Schulte to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2006, regular school board meeting. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT & AUTHORIZATION OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Moved by Charlie Wray, seconded by Chuck Schulte to approve the electronic transfers and bills due and payable amounting to \$369,084.59 including check numbers 43517 through 43708 along with electronic transfers from MSDLAF to Merchants Bank in the amount of \$1,100,000.00. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jeffrey Ihnen from Michael's Engineering will be rescheduled for the November 8, 2006, special school board meeting.

Mr. Elliott Kranz and Ms. Carrie Erickson discussed with the board the possibility of taking students from grades 9 through 12 on a band/choir trip to New York on March 23, 2007, through March 28, 2007. The Board of Education will take action on this item at the regular school board meeting on October 16, 2006.

PERSONNEL ITEMS

New Hires

Moved by Naomi Fruechte, seconded by Charlie Wray to ratify the contract for Dianne Stevens as the kindergarten teacher for the 2006-2007 school year at BA/0 at \$31,994.00. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

ACTION ITEMS

Staff Development Handbook for the 2006-2007 School Year

Moved by Charlie Wray, seconded by Naomi Fruechte to adopt the Staff Development Handbook for the 2006-2007 school year as presented. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Systems Accountability Report (SAR) for the 2005-2006 School Year

Moved by Charlie Wray, seconded by Joyce Knutson to adopt the Systems Accountability Report (SAR) for the 2005-2006 school year as presented. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Approval of Levy Limitation Certification for 2007

Moved by Chuck Schulte, seconded by Naomi Fruechte to certify the Levy Limitation Certification for taxes payable in 2007 in the amount of \$2,146,819.32. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

The following people and/or businesses helped to support our District's Outside Sign Project. On behalf of the District and Sign Committee, we thank these supporters:

Merchants Bank	-	Donation
Chuck Schulte	-	Sign Committee Member
Rocky Danielson	-	Sign Committee Member
Betsy Pieper	-	Sign Committee Member
Dennis Gavin	-	Dumptruck for bark hauling
Paul Weichert	-	Glazing of sign
Keith Comstock	-	Large stone
P.T. Welding	-	Used concrete rebar
Hoskin's Electric	-	Reduction on electrical bill
Jean Meyer	-	Signage at highway
Ron Helmers	-	Volunteers who helped
Joel Hesse	-	Volunteers who helped
Molly Mullins	-	Volunteers who helped
Austin Goergen	-	Volunteers who helped
Mitch Mullins	-	Volunteers who helped
Bob McCarthy	-	Volunteers who helped
Dan Goergen	-	Volunteers who helped
Carol & Terry Nelson	-	Volunteers who helped
Sharon Schulte	-	Volunteers who helped
Tyler Schulte	-	Volunteers who helped
Naomi Fruechte	-	Volunteers who helped
Ben Pieper	-	Volunteers who helped
Chris Pieper	-	Volunteers who helped
Ella Pieper	-	Volunteers who helped
Seth Danielson	-	Volunteers who helped
Tom Danielson	-	Volunteers who helped
Scott Standish	-	Clump River Birch Tree & planting
Twin Pines (Sue Furlong)	-	Miscellaneous plants
Alpine Nursery (Linda & Ben Lind)	-	Prairie Fire Crabtree
Mary Ann's Floral & Gift Shop	-	Spring blooming flowers & fertilizer

Mr. Schulte requested that the remaining balance of \$936.88 be earmarked for future things that may need to be done in the signage area. He publicly thanked Merchants Bank for their generous donation in the amount of \$2,350.00. The board thanked Mr. Schulte for spearheading this signage project and stated that they have received many positive comments from the community.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Naomi Fruechte, seconded by Joyce Knutson to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Barbara Hurley, Clerk