

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

Monday, October 16, 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 7:01 p.m. Members present were Mary Frank, Naomi Fruechte, Joyce Knutson, Jean Meyer, Chuck Schulte. Directors Barbara Hurley and Charlie Wray arrived at 7:05 p.m. Also present were Superintendent Michael Moriarty, Nancy Runnigen, and Principals Brian Doty and Ronald Helmers. Others present were Karen Schiltz, Barb Meyer, David Heiller, Elliott Kranz, Carrie Erickson, Janelle Field-Rohrer, and Darwin Viker. Absent was Principal Connie Hesse.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Naomi Fruechte, seconded by Chuck Schulte to approve the agenda as amended to include a motion ratifying the contract for Evan Thimmesch as the IT Systems Administrator. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTES

Moved by Chuck Schulte, seconded by Jean Meyer to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2006, regular school board meeting. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT & AUTHORIZATION OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Moved by Chuck Schulte, seconded by Naomi Fruechte to approve the electronic transfers and bills due and payable amounting to \$428,165.97 including check numbers 43709 through 43908. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

LARSON ALLEN WEISHAIR & COMPANY, LLP

Moved by Naomi Fruechte, seconded by Barbara Hurley to accept the 2005-2006 audit report as presented by Darwin Viker from Larson Allen Weishair and Company, LLP. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

PERSONNEL ITEMS

Resignations

Moved by Chuck Schulte, seconded by Joyce Knutson to approve the resignations of John Lukach as the network administrator effective October 31, 2006, and Joel Hesse as the junior high boys' basketball coach effective immediately with thanks for their services. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

New Hires

Moved by Barbara Hurley, seconded by Naomi Fruechte to ratify the following contracts: Nancy Runnigen as the FCCLA advisor for the 2006-2007 school year at VI/0 at \$2,829.22 and Brenda Lay as a part-time middle/high school special educational assistant beginning October 11, 2006, at V/P at \$9.49 per hour. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Winter Sports Coaching Contracts

Moved by Charlie Wray, seconded by Chuck Schulte to ratify the following winter sports coaching contracts for the 2006-2007 winter sports season as follows: Wrestling: Jay Tolleson, head coach, V/6 at \$3,499.47; Houston School District Pays for the assistant coach; Ken Stemper, junior high coach, I/6 at \$1,887.91; and Dan Goergen, junior high coach, I/0 at \$1,570.26. Boys' Basketball: Josh Diersen, head coach, V/3 at \$3,339.58; Nathan Worm, assistant coach, III/2 at \$2,173.80; Charlie Reed, 9th grade coach, I/1 at \$1,570.26; Dan Reinhart, junior high coach, I/7 at \$1,887.91; and Jeremy Leis, junior high coach, I/1 at \$1,570.26. Girls' Basketball: Scott Sorenson, head coach, V/10 at \$3,499.47; Carl Fruechte, assistant coach, III/7 at \$2,491.45; Sara Fruechte, 9th

grade coach, 1/2 at \$1,570.26; Kevin Klug, junior high coach, 1/5 at \$1,729.09; and Mitchell Mullins, junior high coach, 1/4 at \$1,729.09.

Gymnastics: Paul Stevens, head coach, 1/7 at \$3,499.47. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Approval of Support Staff Contracts for the 2006-2008 School Years

Moved by Barbara Hurley, seconded by Jean Meyer to ratify the support staff contract for the 2006-2007 school year and the 2007-2008 school year with a 3% increase on their salary schedules for both the 2006-2007 school year and the 2007-2008 school year. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Approve Contract for Community Education Director for the 2006-2008 School Years

Moved by Barbara Hurley, seconded by Naomi Fruechte to ratify the community education director contract with Nancy Runningen for the 2006-2007 school year and the 2007-2008 school year at a 3% increase in her salary for both the 2006-2007 school year and the 2007-2008 school year. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Approve Administrative Contract for the Principals for the 2006-2008 School Years

Moved by Naomi Fruechte, seconded by Jean Meyer to ratify the administrative contract for the principals for both the 2006-2007 school year and 2007-2008 school year with a 3% increase in their salaries for the 2006-2007 and 2007-2008 school years and an additional \$200.00 district contribution to their 403b plan for the 2006-2007 school year and an additional \$200.00 district contribution to their 403b plan for the 2007-2008 school year. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

IT Systems Administrator Contract

Moved by Chuck Schulte, seconded by Jean Meyer to ratify the IT Systems Administrator Contract with Evan Thimmesch beginning October 16, 2006, at a prorated contract amount of \$35,000.00. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

ACTION ITEMS

Band/Choir Trip to New York

Moved by Charlie Wray, seconded by Chuck Schulte to approve the band/choir trip to New York on March 23, 2007, through March 28, 2007, for students in grades 9 through 12 participating in band or choir with a maximum of 100 students to attend and 10 chaperones and with the understanding that all expenses will be paid by students and through the Music Boosters Club and not school district monies. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Caledonia Wrestling Club Request

Moved by Charlie Wray, seconded by Jean Meyer to accept the request from the Caledonia Wrestling Club to donate a trophy case to the school district for the purpose of having a trophy case for the Caledonia Wrestling Hall of Fame which will be located in the middle/high school building in the hallway that goes to the side entrance to the gym and lockerrooms. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Approval of Renewal of Continental Western Property Liability Insurance Premium

Moved by Jean Meyer, seconded by Barbara Hurley to approve the renewal of Continental Western Property Liability Insurance premium for our school district in the amount of \$51,886.00. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Snow Removal Proposal for the 2006-2007 and 2007-2008 School Years

Moved by Barbara Hurley, seconded by Naomi Fruechte to accept the snow removal proposal from Meyer Lawn and Snow Service as follows: 2006-2007 School Year: \$15.00 per yard cost for sand, \$150.00 per yard cost for salt, and \$52.50 per yard cost for sand/salt mix (4 part sand, 1 part salt); 3 cubic yard endloader at \$70.00 per hour; pick-up with plow at \$60.00 per hour; skid loader at \$45.00 per hour; \$50.00 per minimum per call out with ISD #299; 2007-2008 School Year: \$20.00 per yard cost for sand, \$170.00 per yard cost for salt, and \$62.50 per

yard cost for sand/salt mix (4 part sand, 1 part salt); 3 cubic yard endloader at \$80.00 per hour; pick-up with plow at \$70.00 per hour; skid loader at \$55.00 per hour; \$60.00 per minimum per call out with ISD #299. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Open Technologies Contract

Moved by Chuck Schulte, seconded by Barbara Hurley to enter into a ninety-day contract with Open Technologies to provide daily administration and support for all of the Solaris systems in the school district during the transition of hiring a new IT systems administrator in the amount of \$8,000.00. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mr. Doty updated the board with regard to school district testing. He stated that the fall NWEA testing is complete, the fall Aimsweb testing is complete, and that BST's testing will start in January.

Mr. Helmers informed the board that the students did a fantastic job organizing the Homecoming events last week and had a great time. Mr. VanDenBoom and he attended the mandatory Minnesota State High School League Regional Meeting today.

Mr. Moriarty updated the board with regard to the school district requirements for write-in candidates for the upcoming school board election. He informed the board that the technology committee is looking at having an advanced technology lab in the high school. The 2007-2008 technology budget does include a part of the cost for a new phone system for the school district. He distributed and discussed with the board information he received from Ehlers regarding the capital loan.

Mrs. Runnigen informed the board that community ed is currently taking fall registrations for classes. The SAC Program received a \$2,200.00 grant from Child Care Resource and Referral. Minnesota State College – Southeast Technical is still working on getting the ITV equipment working on their end. The honors on-line classes are going well for students. She shared with the board a report from Mrs. Busta regarding and ECFE/LR update.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Jean Meyer, seconded by Chuck Schulte to adjourn the meeting at 9:18 p.m. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Barbara Hurley, Clerk