

REGULAR MEETING of the SCHOOL BOARD of EDUCATION

Lester Prairie Public Schools

Monday, December 18, 2023 5:45 pm

Lester Prairie School Media Center and Breezy Point Business Center 9292 Breezy Point Drive, Breezy Point, Mn 56472

Roll call was taken and the following board members were present: Corbey Hentges, Brian Heimerl, Keith Christen, Rebecca Heimerl and Meganne Stifter-Knoll. Administration present: Dr. Melissa Radeke, Mike Lee, Ross Scheevel and Alice Daak. **Guests:** Jen Chapman, Kalley Christen, Brielle Christen, and Austen Neaton from Herald Journal.

Agenda

- Motion by B. Heimerl second by Engen to approve the Agenda as presented and or modified
 - **Roll Call Vote: BH-yes, JE-yes, KC-yes, RH -yes, MSK-yes, CH-yes.**

Recognition of Communications since Last Meeting:

- Communication - Christmas concerts were great.
- Open dialogue - none

Minutes and Bills

- Motion by R. Heimerl and second by EB. Heimerl to approve the meeting minutes of the Regular Board meeting on November 20, 2023 and pay the bills in the amount of:
 - o Board Bills: \$142,098.21
 - o Student Activity Bills: \$1,348
- **Roll Call Vote: BH-yes, KC-yes, RH -yes, MSK-yes, CH-yes.**

Administrative Reports

Mr. Lee K-12 Principal Report: - highlights

- Youth Task Force Social at Harvest Community Church 90-95 percent attended in 7-12 grade.
- Kalley and Brielle Christen presented on what's going on in FFA in our school.
- Elementary and Secondary Christmas concerts were great and well attended.
- December 12-13 Social Studies, Science and Math teachers attended the North Collaborative and met with other teachers at different times.
- Shout out to the Wellness Committee for working with staff on employee wellness.

Ross Scheevel AD/DoS - highlights

- Officially confirmed into the Tomahawk Conference.

- Attended first Tomahawk Conference meeting on December 13.
- The twelve students who attended MSHL sponsored Together in Partnership Conference spoke very highly about the conference and speakers.
- ExCEL Award nominees are Austin Walstrom and Andrew Ruwersma, State Competition is February 6.
- Triple A Award nominees are Jessa Heimerl and Connor Meyer, Subdistrict 17 Banquet on January 10.

Dr. Melissa Radeke Superintendent Report: - highlights

- Enrollment - 450 Students
- Training and Preparing for ESST that is starting January 1, 2024.

School Board Reports

- Community Ed. - none
- PTO - none
- Facilities/Maintenance- none
- Facility Planning - none
- Tech/Media - Survey sent to teachers on what type of Chromebook they prefer and working on WAN migration from LCTN to SWWC.
- Activities Committee - none
- Negotiations - Certified waiting to hear from them.
- Meet and Confer - none
- Policy - none
- Legislative - none
- City - none

New Business

- None

Old Business

- None

School Finance

- Ehlers Presentation on the Presale Report by Jen Chapman - Ehlers Financial Specialist.
- Truth in Taxation Presentation by Dr. Melissa Radeke - no questions from the public
- Motion by Christen and 2nd by Engen to approve the certified levy in the amount of \$2,160,505.08 for the School District of Lester Prairie.
 - **Roll Call Vote: BH-yes, KC-yes, RH - yes, MSK-yes, CH-yes.**

Policy Administration

- None

Personnel

- Motion by R. Heimerl and 2nd by Stifter-Knoll to approve the following contracts:
 - **James Bettcher** - (.5 FTE)7-12 Counselor with assigned duties
 - **Alex Heimerl** - C Squad Boys Basketball Coach
- **Roll Call Vote: BH=yes, KC=yes, RH - yes, MSK=yes, CH=yes.**

Other Items for the Board

- None

Meeting was adjourned at 6:17 PM

Meganne Stifter-Knoll, Clerk ISD #424