

KMS Public Schools
Independent School District #775
Board of Education
Regular Meeting, November 9, 2015, 7:00 p.m. KMS HS Board Room

Members present: Steve Collins, Neil Miller, Phil Hauge, Pam Mansfield, Amber Doering, Harmon Wilts, Tom Walsh, and Martin Heidelberger
Members absent: none

Also present: Annette Fernholz, Ted Almen, Chris Ziemer, Rick Thonvold, Jerry Johnson, Pam Skodlung, Bill Skoglund, Moriah Nelson.

Vice Chairman Tom Walsh called the meeting called to order at 7:05 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion made by Harmon Wilts and seconded by Tom Walsh to approve the November 9, 2015 agenda with the addition of a retirement and robotics presentation.

Voting aye: Unanimous

Motion carried

Public Comment. None

Motion made by Tom Walsh and seconded by Amber Doering to approve the October 12, 2015 board minutes.

Voting aye: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Motion made by Harmon Wilts and seconded by Tom Walsh to approve payment of bills. Roll Call: Miller, Hauge, Mansfield, Doering, Wilts, Walsh, and Collins.

Voting aye: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Motion made by Tom Walsh and seconded by Harmon Wilts to approve electronic funds transfers.

Voting aye: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Motion made by Pam Mansfield and seconded by Amber Doering to approve gifts and donations from Sports Boosters, Wrestling Assn and Marching Band donations.

Voting aye: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Steve Collins, on behalf of the school board, thanked Pam Skoglund for 25 years of service and presented her with a retirement bell.

Neil Miller led the POC report. He informed the board of the elementary walk through, library shelving progress, wrapping up punch list items and working on clock options.

Mr. Heidelberger along with Jerry Johnson and Rick Thonvold of Norway Lake township, presented to the board history of a piece of land formerly school district 29 and through consolidation part of KMS.

Motion made by Neil Miller and seconded by Tom Walsh to approve a resolution for a quit claim to terminate any interest in this piece of land in Kandiyohi County.

Voting aye: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Mr. Adrian and robotics students Austin Elaison, Kevin Krieger and Jacob Carlson presented to the board their latest robotics project.

Jim Gilman of Conway, Deuth & Schmeising presented the FY2015 audit report.

Motion made by Neil Miller and seconded by Tom Walsh to approve the audit as presented.

Voting aye: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Motion made by Harmon Wilts and seconded by Neil Miller to approve the 2015-2018 busing contract with Rustad Bus Company and Riley Bus Service.

Voting aye: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Mr. Brown and Mr. Keil presented a school climate overview based on a school climate survey. 7 districts from around the state are working with the Minnesota Department of Education. More information and results will be presented in the future.

The board reviewed the November 2, 2015 enrollment.

Mr. Heidelberger presented the October 1, 2015 K-12 enrollment numbers.

Motion made by Harmon Wilts and seconded by Neil Miller to approve a contract adjustment for Amber Johannes from 50% to 63% fte.

Voting aye: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Mr. Heidelberger presented the tentative seniority list.

Motion made by Neil Miller and seconded by Pam Mansfield to approve the tentative seniority list.

Voting aye: Unanimous

Motion carried.

Activities committee member Harmon Wilts informed the board of their recent meeting with winter coaches and their discussion of students struggling with grades and their inability to participate. The committee recommends amending the handbook with new eligibility guidelines, coaching behaviors, new facility utilization, coaching responsibilities.

Motion made by Harmon Wilts and seconded by Pam Mansfield to amend the handbook eligibility guidelines to if failing at mid-term, sitting one week or one event, whichever is longer.

Voting aye: Unanimous
Motion carried.

Mr. Heidelberger presented the board with SWWC board of director ballots for members to vote.

Neil Miller praised the marching band fall concert.

Phil Hauge met with Kent and Lori Glesne and Doering landscaping to clean up and create a patio project in the Rudningen circle.

Pam Mansfield mentioned the capacity at the choir concert, sewing machine and board meeting locations.

Amber Doering asked about the new security entrances. Both buildings fully operational now.

Harmon Wilts complimented the community education brochure with new classes utilizing the new spaces and movie nights. Concerns about EA representation and communication, grass landscaping at sites, electronic devices and technology capability.

Motion made by Tom Walsh and seconded by Neil Miller to rotate board meeting sites to meet in Murdock and Sunburg during the year.

Voting aye: Unanimous
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned by Chairman Collins at 10:25 pm.

Clerk, ISD #775