June 9, 2014

KMS Public Schools Independent School District #775 Board of Education Regular Meeting, Monday, June 9, 2014, 8:00 p.m. KMS HS Board Room

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

Also present: Annette Fernholz, Jeff Keil, Ted Brown, Kevin Strandberg, Jennifer Oerter, Pat Berg, Polly Johnson, Mariss Powell, Lynn Swenson, Ron Hanson, Ted Almen, Chris Ziemer

Chairman Steve Collins called the meeting called to order at 8:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion made by Phil Hauge and seconded by Neil Miller to approve the June 9, 2014 school board meeting agenda.

Voting aye: Unanimous Motion carried

Public Comment. Pat Berg on behalf of the Sunburg Syttende Mai committee presented a letter requesting the KMS band representation at the annual Syttende Mai parade.

Motion made by Neil Miller and seconded by Pam Mansfield to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2014 board meeting.

Voting aye: Unanimous Motion carried

Motion made by Neil Miller and seconded by Pam Mansfield to approve payment of the bills. Roll call Miller, Hauge, Mansfield, Doering, Wilts, Walsh and Collins.

Voting aye: unanimous Motion carried

Motion made by Amber Doering and seconded by Harmon Wilts to approve electronic payment of bills. Voting aye: Unanimous Motion carried

The board acknowledged the gift of \$100 received from Willmar Public Schools for their students attending the KMS musical production of "Beauty and the Beast"

Retirement bells were presented to Ron Hanson and Lynn Swenson for their years of service.

Kevin Strandberg of Strandberg Insurance presented insurance quotes for the Continental Insurance school property and liability insurance and SFM Workers Compensation Insurance for the 2014-15 school year.

Motion made by Neil Miller and seconded by Harmon Wilts to approve the Continental Insurance and SFM quotes for 2014-15 with the additional coverage previously approved.

Voting aye: Unanimous Motion carried.

Motion made by Neil Miller and seconded by Pam Mansfield to approve the Student Assurance Services 2014-15 renewal.

Voting aye: Unanimous Motion carried.

Motion made by Neil Miller and seconded by Pam Mansfield to call for bread, milk and fuel bids for the 2014-15 school year.

Voting aye: Unanimous Motion carried.

Mr. Heidelberger presented a 2014-15 temporary expenditure budget to be approved by July 1, 2014 as per state law.

Motion made by Harmon Wilts and seconded by Neil Miller to approve the 2014-2015 expenditure budget.

Voting aye: Unanimous Motion carried

Motion made by Neil Miller and seconded by Amber Doering to approve Conway, Deuth & Schmeising audit services for FY2014.

Voting aye: Unanimous Motion carried.

Mr. Heidelberger, Mr. Keil, Mr. Brown and members of the School Improvement Committee had reviewed curriculum and informed the board of the math program "Math Expressions" for grades K-4 and "Math Connects" for grades 5-6. Costs may be upwards of \$28000 for Math Expressions and \$8-9 for Math Connects.

Motion made by Harmon Wilts and seconded by Amber Doering to approve the recommended math curriculum.

Voting aye: Unanimous Motion carried.

Health & Safety budget approval will be forwarded to the July board meeting.

Motion made by Neil Miller and seconded by Tom Walsh to renew annual membership in the Minnesota State High School League to continue to participate in athletics and activities.

Voting aye: Unanimous Motion carried.

Motion made by Pam Mansfield and seconded by Steve Collins to approve the hiring of Moriah Nelson as elementary teacher.

Voting aye: Unanimous Motion carried.

Motion made by Neil Miller and seconded by Phil Hauge to increase Jennifer Oerter to full time to fill the English teaching time.

Voting aye: Unanimous Motion carried.

Motion made by Pam Mansfield and seconded by Harmon Wilts to non-renew part-time probationary teacher Maia Hamann.

Voting aye: Unanimous Motion carried.

Mr. Heidelberger presented to the board the Minnesota Rural Education Association renewal for 2014-15 based on student enrollment.

Motion made by Tom Walsh and seconded by Neil Miller to renew the MREA membership. Voting aye: Unanimous Motion carried.

Mr. Heidelberger asked for a school board member to volunteer to serve on the staff development committee. Amber Doering volunteered. Mr. Heidelberger will present in July with rate setting information on event site workers. The teachers union and the negotiations committee were still in process.

Mr. Heidelberger read a thank you to the board for the KMS scholarship from Victoria Guillemard.

Mr. Brown presented information to the board on events. Graduation went well, scheduling for next year was completed, presented handbook changes regarding daily advisory time, ICU and late homework updates, cell phone policy.

Motion made by Harmon Wilts and seconded by Amber Doering to approve handbook changes. Voting aye: Unanimous Motion carried.

Mr.Keil presented Camp Read A Lot information and mentioned the elementary school was packed up for construction.

Phil Hauge informed the board that the Trap novice team had done very well in the trap shoot contest.

Amber Doering asked for updates on hiring, Kindergarten, FACS, Spec Ed, Elementary positions still posted and interviewing. She expressed concerned about website accessibility on notepads.

Harmon Wilts complimented the school appearance for graduation and asked about evaluating the principal configuration after this new arrangement for the year.

Tom Walsh expressed his thanks for Mike Kohlman leading the trap shoot league team.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 pm.