

# HERMANTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

## Minutes: May 22, 2017

The Board of Education of Hermantown Independent School District No. 700 met in regular session on Monday, May 22, 2017, at the Administration Board Room. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

Members present included, Deanna Gronseth, Karly Madill, Blaine Peterson, Aaron Salmela, Jonathan Thornton, Ex-officio member Kerry Juntunen, Superintendent, and Patrick Chaffey, Director of Business Services.

Absent: Dianne Mathews.

Visitors: Renee Klinkner, Deb Reynolds, Lynda Nikko, Kristal Berg, Garlynn Rosandich, Eric Borndal, John Muenich, and Jenny Wiese.

### APPROVE AGENDA

*A motion was made by Salmela and seconded Madill to approve the amended agenda with the following additions, deletions, or corrections: Add another recommendation for Tenure memo. Passed Unanimously.*

### APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of Minutes of Previous Board Meeting: May 8, 2017.
- Approval and authorize payment of audited vouchers #96656-96772, and voided checks #96026, #96167, #96316, and #96578.
- Approval of Personnel Items
  - Retirement of Robin Boyat as Paraprofessional.
  - Resignation of Cheryl Porter as Food Service Worker and Lateral Work Design to post position.
  - Resignation of Meredith Salus as Title 1 Paraprofessional and Lateral Work Design to post position.
  - Resignation of Samantha Redman as Junior High Volleyball Coach and Lateral Work Design to post position.
  - Resignation of Paul Sohlstrom as Math Teacher and Lateral Work Design to post position.
  - Dismissal of Troy Sunnarborg within Probationary Period.
  - Memorandum to Employ Caitlyn Barbour as Summer Rawks Coordinator.
  - Memorandum to Employ Leah Norris as Special Education Teacher.
  - Memorandum to Employ Melanie Olson, Kelsey Krautkremer, and Nancy Anderson as Summer ECSE Service Providers.
  - Memorandum to Employ Patrick Andrews as Boys' Hockey Head Coach.
  - Memorandum to Employ Shelly Janson as Accounting/Payroll Coordinator.
  - New Position Request for Special Education Teacher.
  - Teacher Recommendations for Tenure.

*A motion was made by Salmela and seconded by Thornton to approve the Consent Agenda. Passed Unanimously.*

### RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT DONATIONS

*A motion was made by Gronseth and seconded by Madill to accept donations to the General and Extra-Curricular Funds received thru 5-22-17. Passed Unanimously via roll call vote.*

## COMMENTS AND CONGRATULATIONS

- Elementary School Principal Deb Reynolds congratulated all the K-5 students for pledges for the Hawk Hustle, over \$20,000 raised so far.
- Middle School Principal Jenny Wiese thanked Katie Brown-Mesedahl and Katie Latscher for all their work with the Variety show and all the students that participated.
- High School Principal John Muenich thanked Pam Pilon, prom advisor, for all her work with the Prom, was a well-run event. John also thanked Kris Zagelmeyer for all her work with Honor night.
- Juntunen congratulated Jenny Wiese for becoming the Northeast division of the MASSP Middle School Principal of the Year.

## RECOGNITION OF VISITOR BUSINESS – NONE

## CORRESPONDENCE

- Juntunen received a letter from the Ed MN ESP unit to file for arbitration regarding contract grievance.

## SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION REPORT

- An open meeting was held on May 11, 2017. Superintendent Juntunen was given an overall rating of 'accomplished' by the Board. The Board recommended an increased focus on strategic planning. Will have recommendation for Superintendent Contract by next Board Meeting.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Enrollment Update. Enrollment remains stable for the next year, looking at ways to increase open enrollment in grades 9-12
2. Essentia Health Regional Wellness Center. Juntunen gave update on legislation.
3. MSBA School Board Self-Evaluation Tool. Juntunen would like the Board to consider this.
4. Contract for Vending. Update from Bernicks this week,
5. Bargaining Unit Negotiations. Have opened and progressing well.
6. Individual Contract Negotiations.
7. Educational Support Personnel Grievance.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Gronseth and Thornton attended Honors Night, was an amazing night to see the great kids and staff we have.
- Mathews and Peterson attended the Facility Meeting held on May 17, 2017. Some work to be done at the Middle School. Summer work will have some major upkeep work done.

## AWARD DEMOLITION OF OLD MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Tabled until the next meeting on June 12, 2017

## AWARD THE ASBESTOS ABATEMENT QUOTE/REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL WASTE FOR OLD MIDDLE SCHOOL

- *A motion was made by Salmela and seconded by Thornton to award the asbestos abatement quote for the Old Middle to Northern Environment Services Inc. for \$74, 740 and award the removal and disposal of the regulated waste for Old Middle School to Mavo Systems Inc. for \$9,000.*

## OLD BUSINESS

- *A motion was made by Madill and seconded by Peterson to approve the resolution authorizing a new Board Approved Referendum Authority Passed Unanimously via roll call vote.*

- *A motion was made by Gronseth and seconded by Salmela to approve the 6/30/17 committed fund balance under GASB#54 as follows: Passed unanimously.*
  - Retirement Benefits to be determined*
  - Building Improvements to be determined*
  - Technology to be determined*
  - Bus Purchase to be determined*
  - Special Education to be determined*
- *A motion was made by Peterson and seconded by Thornton to approve the 2017-18 Resolution for Membership in the Minnesota State High School League. Passed unanimously via roll call vote.*
- *A motion was made by Madill and seconded by Salmela to approve the ARCC Specific Services Contract 2017-18. Passed unanimously.*

#### NEW BUSINESS

- 16-17 Budget Revision. No action taken.
- 17-18 Adopted Budget. No action taken.
- Resolution to transfer District Property to the City of Hermantown for the Purpose of Constructing the Essentia Health Regional Wellness Center. No action taken.

#### CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING NEGOTIATION STRATEGIES

*A motion was made by Thornton and seconded by Madill to close the meeting for the purpose of discussing negotiation strategies at 6:27 p.m. Passed Unanimously.*

*A motion was made by Thornton and seconded by Peterson to open the closed meeting for the purpose of discussing negotiation strategies at 6:31p.m. Passed Unanimously.*

*A motion was made by Thornton and seconded by Peterson to close the closed meeting for the purpose of discussing negotiation strategies at 7:06 p.m. Passed Unanimously.*

#### REOPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

*A motion was made by Gronseth and seconded by Peterson to reopen the meeting to the public at 7:07 p.m. Passed Unanimously.*

#### ADJOURNMENT

*A motion was made by Thornton and seconded by Madill to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 p.m. Passed Unanimously.*

Respectfully Submitted,

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Deanna Gronseth, Clerk/Treasurer

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Dianne Mathews, Chair