

HERMANTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Minutes: August 28, 2017

The Board of Education of Hermantown Independent School District No. 700 met in regular session on Monday, August 28, 2017, at the Administration Board Room. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

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

Visitors: Jenny Wiese, Lynda Nikko, John Muenich, Deb Reynolds, and Eve Hessler.

APPROVE AGENDA

A motion was made by Peterson and seconded by Salmela to approve the agenda as printed. Passed Unanimously.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of Minutes of Previous Board Meetings: August 14, 2017 and August 18, 2017
- Approval and authorize payment of audited vouchers #97261-97333.
- Approval of Personnel Items
 - Resignation of Caitlyn Barbour as School Readiness Child Care Aide and Lateral Work Design to post position.
 - Resignation of Nicholas Hinchliff as Paraprofessional.
 - Resignation of Diana Simonson as Food Service Cashier and Lateral Work Design to post position.
 - Memorandum to Employ Alisha Franckowiak as .8 FTE Physical Education/Adaptive Physical Education Teacher.
 - Memorandum to Employ William Bloom as Janitor.
 - Memorandum to Employ Beth Theisen as Cook's Helper.

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

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT DONATIONS

- *A motion was made by Madill and seconded by Peterson to accept donations to the General and Extra-Curricular Funds received thru 8-28-17. Passed Unanimously via roll call vote.*

COMMENTS AND CONGRATULATIONS - NONE

RECOGNITION OF VISITOR BUSINESS – NONE

CORRESPONDENCE – NONE

SUPERINTENDENT'S DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Essentia Health and Wellness Center Update including progress on transferring the old Middle School site to the City. City meeting on Tuesday (8/29/17) for proposed language agreement.
- Negotiations update - most of the bargaining units have settled at this time.
- Enrollment. 2102 students as of 8/28/17.
- Update on Resident Home School Students participating in extra-curricular activities. Students can enroll in academic classes and participate in extra-curricular activities.
- New Web Page. (Board Member Bio and Pictures) Board members should submit biographical information; pictures of members can be submitted to Superintendent Juntunen or sent to him for posting on the web page.

- Facilities Update. Project close out items are expected to be completed by the end of September 2017.
- Open House for each Building - all are up on the website

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Member Thornton and Superintendent Juntunen attended the Hermantown Legacy Fund (HLF) Committee. This committee separated from the Duluth Superior Community Foundation in the past year. They are working on logos and branding. The HLF stated they will continue to support school activities.

OLD BUSINESS

- Resolution to transfer District Property to the City of Hermantown for the Purpose of Constructing the Essentia Health Regional Wellness Center. Tabled.
- *A motion was made by Peterson and seconded by Gronseth to approve the resolution for Policy #524 Technology. Passed Unanimously via roll call vote.*
- *A motion was made by Thornton and seconded by Madill to approve the bread and milk quotes for the 2017-18 School Year. Passed Unanimously.*
- *A motion was made by Madill and seconded by Salmela to approve the 6/30/17 committed fund balance under GASB#54 as follows: Passed Unanimously.*

<i>Retirement Benefits</i>	<i>\$252,803.48</i>
<i>Bus Purchase</i>	<i>\$98,324.59</i>
<i>Special Education</i>	<i>\$154,297.41</i>

NEW BUSINESS - NONE

CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING NEGOTIATION STRATEGIES

A motion was made by Peterson and seconded by Thornton to close the meeting for the purpose of discussing negotiation strategies at 6:15 p.m.

A motion was made by Madill and seconded by Gronseth to open the closed meeting for the purpose of discussing negotiation strategies at 6:16 p.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 6:35 p.m. Passed Unanimously.

REOPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

A motion was made by Salmela and seconded by Madill to reopen the meeting to the public at 6:35 p.m. Passed Unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Peterson and seconded by Madill to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 p.m. Passed Unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deanna Gronseth, Clerk/Treasurer

Dianne Mathews, Chair