

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Independent School District 279 School Board
February 23, 2010

CALL TO ORDER	A regular meeting of the Independent School District 279 School Board was held on Tuesday, February 23, 2010, in the Board Room at the Educational Service Center. Chairperson Nelson called the meeting to order at 8:07 p.m.
ROLL CALL	The following members were present: Board members Kim Green, Tammie Epley, Lin Myszkowski, Dean Henke, John Nelson, Laura Cottington, and Superintendent Susan Hintz.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, led by Laura Cottington.
ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA	<p>Motion by Nelson, seconded by Myszkowski, to accept the printed agenda.</p> <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p>
SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION	Superintendent Hintz announced that the Minnesota School Boards Association has proclaimed the week of February 22 School Board Recognition Week. The superintendent recognized the great work of our School Board members and thanked them for their dedicated service. Each Board member received a certificate on behalf of the organization and a paperweight and a book as a personal gift from the superintendent.
AUDIENCE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE SCHOOL BOARD	The following community members addressed the Board during Audience Opportunity to Address the School Board: Collette Guyott-Hempel and Teresa Lunt.
SUPT. REPORT	<p>The superintendent stated that <i>our mission is to inspire and prepare all students to achieve their dreams, contribute to community, and engage in a lifetime of learning</i>; these accomplishments are evidence that our students are achieving this mission. With assistance from Cabinet members Superintendent Hintz shared some “points of pride” that showcase some of the achievements that have taken place in our District 279 school community.</p> <p><u>Student Confidence, Courage, and Competence</u> Maple Grove Senior High wrestlers are heading to state for the first</p>

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time in school history. After a nail-biter heavyweight match at sectionals, the team defeated defending sectional champion and top seed Centennial, ensuring a berth at the state tournament. Congratulations to the team, head coach Troy Seubert, and the rest of the coaching staff.

Five engineering technology students at Maple Grove Senior High (four of whom are pictured) recently attended a National Engineering Week event hosted by BAE Systems. Students experienced an electronic propulsion experiment, observed armament design and development, and heard a panel of engineering professionals share their career paths. The day also included a team activity in which students had 30 minutes to build a marshmallow launcher from a bag of miscellaneous parts. Our students' launcher propelled a marshmallow more than 30 feet. The students' next focus, along with their entire engineering club, is to complete their robot for competition in early April.

Birch Grove Elementary School for the Arts students are busy preparing for their annual musical production. This year's musical is "Dear Edwina, Jr", with performances scheduled for March 12 and 13. Ticket information is available by contacting the school office.

Osseo Junior High's MATHCOUNTS team placed fourth out of 14 schools in regional competition earlier this month. Team member Allen Miller placed 6th in the individual competition and first in the Countdown Round; Christian Becker placed 10th; and Bryan Hulse placed 18th out of 77 competitors. MATHCOUNTS is a nationwide program that seeks to improve students' mathematical skills, improve the quality of math education and increase student interest in math.

Elm Creek Elementary is hosting a Family Reading Night tonight, featuring WCCO's Jason DeRusha as a special guest reader. Mr. DeRusha is an ISD 279 resident and journalist who is well known for his "Good Question" segments on WCCO-TV. Elm Creek students are working toward a goal of 200,000 reading minutes during February, which is I Love to Read Month.

Contributing to Community

The Maple Grove cheerleaders were recently honored by the Maple Grove City Council, led by Mayor Mark Steffenson. The Council issued a proclamation recognizing the students for their volunteer efforts and school and community spirit

Mission-Driven Employees

Senior players and managers of the Osseo Senior High basketball team took part in a special recognition of mission-driven employees at the February 18 game against Andover. Each player or manager on the team identified an Osseo educator who had particularly inspired or

<p>SUPT. REPORT</p>	<p>influenced the student over his or her years in ISD 279. The honored educators were introduced and recognized before all attendees at the game.</p> <p>Maple Grove coaches Mark Cook and Ellen Wiese have been named Section 5AAAA Girls' Basketball Coach and Assistant Coach of the Year.</p> <p><u>Leveraging Assets</u></p> <p>For the fifth consecutive year, the Minnesota Department of Education has recognized Osseo Area Schools with the School Finance Award. The Department of Education gives the award "in recognition of outstanding accomplishments in financial management, including compliance with state statutes."</p>
<p>SCHOOL BOARD REPORTS</p>	<p>Director Myszkowski reported that she and Director Epley attended the District 279 Foundation's "A Night Out" that was held at Rush Creek Golf Club.</p> <p>Director Epley reported that she spoke at the Adult Basic Education GED graduation on February 10. On February 17, Director Epley reported that she attended a Minnesota School Boards Association (MSBA) District Board Networking breakfast in the morning and in the afternoon she was at Osseo Senior High and sat in on a guest conductor with the choir students.</p> <p>Director Cottington reported that Minnesota School Boards Association president, Jackie Magnuson, was selected by the National School Boards Association to serve over the central region, which includes several states.</p> <p>Director Cottington also reported that she and Director Epley have participated in the Minnesota School Boards Association's lunch and learn webinars.</p> <p>Lastly, Director Cottington reported that she, Director Myszkowski, and Superintendent Hintz read books to students at Park Brook Elementary for their Family Literacy Night on February 11.</p> <p>Director Henke shared that he watched an informative program titled "Admission Possible" on channel 2; where recent college graduates help promising, low-income students obtain admission to college.</p>
<p>MISSION FORWARD TASK FORCE UPDATE</p>	<p>Co-chair Linda Yang shared that Tim Wilson, Chief Technology Officer, and Mike Hueller, Coordinator Accounting/Payroll, were guest speakers at their last taskforce meeting. The topics they spoke about were enrollments trends, and a financial overview.</p>

MISSION FORWARD TASK FORCE UPDATE	Ms. Yang also shared that the taskforce is looking for a speaker on the topic of academic rigor. She shared that there are many areas to be covered in this area and taskforce member are interested in receiving information on a broader spectrum.
PRESENTATION: LEARNING WITH TECHNOLOGY – PROJECT COPERNICUS	Two Weaver Lake students, Woodland teacher Sandy Otto, and a Weaver Lake parent shared their perspectives on Project Copernicus, a pilot initiative that promotes the use of students’ personal technology in the classroom to advance learning.
PRESENTATION: HMONG STORY CLOTHS	Student participants in the CLIMB program at Brooklyn Junior, and advisors Linda Yang and Pang Yang, presented a Hmong story cloth that the students had designed and commissioned, with support from the District 279 Foundation. The story cloth uses the language of our mission statement to tell student stories of “The Circle of Inspiration.” It is a beautiful work of art that will be displayed in the Educational Service Center.
CONSENT AGENDA	<p>Motion by Nelson, seconded by Cottingham, to approve items in the Consent Agenda as follows:</p> <p>Approval of the minutes of the special meeting of February 9, 2010</p> <p>Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of February 9, 2010</p> <p>Approval of the minutes of the special meeting of February 16, 2010</p> <p>Electronic Wire Transfers (including Investments, Debt Service, MN Payroll Withholding, Flex Benefit Plan and Delta Dental) for the month of January 2010</p> <p>Verified Accounts Payable dated February 16, 2010</p> <p>Payment of bills, including Payroll, made through the office for the month of January 2010</p> <p>Financial Reports for the Month of January 2010</p> <p>Personnel</p> <p>Approval: Resolution Authorizing Capital Fund Transfer</p> <p>Approval: Resolution Directing the Administration to Make Recommendations for Adjustments in Programs and Positions, and Reasons Therefore</p> <p>Adoption of Proclamation Designating February 2010 as Career and Technical Education Month</p>

<p>CONSENT AGENDA</p>	<p>Surrogate Parent Appointment One surrogate parent appointment dated February 9, 2010</p> <p>Acceptance of the 2009-2010 Title II - D Ed Tech ARRA in the amount of \$132,361 and authorize an expenditure and budget appropriation in the amount of \$132,361</p> <p>Acceptance of the 2009-2010 Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program in the amount of \$51,085 and authorize an expenditure and budget appropriation in the amount of \$51,085</p> <p>Student Trips</p> <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>SUPERINTENDENT TRANSITION</p>	<p>Following remarks from each Board member, motion by Nelson, seconded by Myszkowski, to approve the Resolution naming Dr. Kate Maguire as the Independent School District 279 School Board's choice for its next superintendent.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">RESOLUTION</p> <p>WHEREAS, the Independent School District 279 School Board has the responsibility of selecting its next superintendent of schools to begin July 1, 2010 and after careful consideration of the best interests of its students, staff, and communities has selected Dr. Kate Maguire as its choice for its next superintendent of schools.</p> <p>NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Independent School District 279 School Board names Dr. Kate Maguire as its choice for its next superintendent of schools and authorizes its chair to work with its legal counsel, Steven Knutson, to negotiate its employment contract with Dr. Maguire or her designee.</p> <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>2010-2011 CAPITAL BUDGET</p>	<p>Following a presentation by Dale Carlstrom, Director of Facilities and Transportation Operations, that outlined details of the 2010-2011 capital budget.</p> <p>Motion by Nelson, seconded by Green, to approve the 2010-2011 Capital Budget.</p> <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>MID-YEAR TRANSFER</p>	<p>Kelly Benusa, Director of Business Services, presented the detailed the mid-year budget adjustment. The positive mid-year adjustment reflects decreased expenditures and increased revenues of \$2.9 million. The</p>

MID-YEAR TRANSFER	<p>total is a positive impact of about \$7 million on this year's budget.</p> <p>Motion by Nelson, seconded by Epley, to approve the mid-year budget adjustment.</p> <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p>
TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT: COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAM SPECIALISTS	<p>Motion by Nelson, seconded by Henke, to approve the Terms and Conditions of Employment, July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2010, an Agreement between Independent School District 279 School Board, and Community Education Program Specialists.</p> <p>The motion carried on a 5-0 vote with Director Green abstaining.</p>
POLICY COMMITTEE	<p>Motion by Nelson, seconded by Henke, to approve the second and final reading of policy 924 –School Volunteers (revision) and policy 705 – Investments (revision).</p> <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p>
GIFTS TO THE DISTRICT	<p>Motion by Nelson, seconded by Myszkowski, to approve the Gifts to the District totaling \$14,603.34.</p> <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p>
ANNOUNCEMENTS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Negotiation Strategies Meeting, Tuesday, March 2, 2010, 6:00 p.m., Conference Room N10, Educational Service Center. Closed to the Public. 2. Regular School Board Meeting, Tuesday, March 2, 2010, 8:00 p.m., Board Room, Educational Service Center. Open to the Public.
ADJOURNMENT	<p>At 9:45 p.m., motion by Cottingham, seconded by Henke, to adjourn the meeting.</p> <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p>
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