

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Independent School District 279 School Board
June 1, 2010

<p>CALL TO ORDER</p>	<p>A regular meeting of the Independent School District 279 School Board was held on Tuesday, June 1, 2010, in the Board Room at the Educational Service Center. Chairperson Nelson called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.</p>
<p>ROLL CALL</p>	<p>The following members were present: Board members Dean Henke, John Nelson, Laura Cottingham, Kim Green, Tammie Epley, Lin Myszkowski, and Superintendent Susan Hintz.</p>
<p>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</p>	<p>The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, led by Laura Cottingham.</p>
<p>ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA</p>	<p>Motion by Nelson, seconded by Myszkowski, to accept the printed agenda.</p> <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>PRESENTATION: STUDENTS CONNECTING THROUGH INTERNATIONAL SERVICE</p>	<p>Tammie Epley, School Board Director, introduced Scott Taylor, Principal at Park Brook Elementary, and the students who were involved in the Students Connecting Through International Service Program. The team showed the audience a video that showcased the details of their trip to Mexico. This team of students delivered school supplies to underprivileged students in a small town in Mexico. The trip was a huge success and the students stated that they will never forget this experience. Deputy Consul Jose Antonio Aguayo, representing the Mexican Consulate, delivered remarks and presented each participant with a certificate from the Mexican Consul General.</p>
<p>AUDIENCE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE SCHOOL BOARD</p>	<p>No one addressed the Board during Audience Opportunity to Address the School Board.</p>
<p>SUPT. REPORT</p>	<p>Superintendent Hintz thanked Director Epley for her leadership in the Students Connecting Through International Service Program and shared that it is our mission in action.</p> <p>The superintendent shared that the School Board hosted a retiree reception prior to this and shared that she is grateful to the 61 people who were honored at this event.</p>

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The superintendent stated that *our mission is to inspire and prepare all students to achieve their dreams, contribute to community, and engage in a lifetime of learning*; 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.

Student Confidence, Courage, and Competence

Osseo Senior High’s super-star pitcher Becca Girvan was recently featured in the Star Tribune for achieving the rare feat of 1000 strikeouts in her career.

Alex Veldhuis of the Maple Grove Boys Lacrosse team is one of 12 finalists for the Mr. Lacrosse Award, recognizing the top senior lacrosse player in Minnesota. The award winner will be announced at a June 6 reception at the St. Paul RiverCentre.

The ISD 279 sixth grade Sinfonia Orchestra performed at Birch Grove Elementary on May 14, demonstrating for students the musical skills they acquired throughout the school year.

Achieving Results

Brooklyn Junior High was awarded the 2010 “Wellness by Design” award from Hennepin County, recognizing the school for going above and beyond in creating a healthy environment for staff and students. 2010 marks the third year Brooklyn Junior has earned this award.

The Maple Grove Girl’s Softball team won the Northwest Suburban Conference title for its outstanding performance during the 2010 softball season.

More than 170 Osseo Senior High students participated in a paper airplane contest May 21 incorporating elements of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math, or STEM. The activity was a proactive effort to help students experience STEM, which will be part of the new Minnesota science standards to be implemented during the 2011-2012 school year.

On May 26, Brooklyn Junior High celebrated “Honors Night,” a special event recognizing 184 junior high students who maintained an “A” average for the first two trimesters of the 2009–2010 school year.

Congratulations to Nick Bergstrom, fifth-grader at Woodland Elementary, who was one of only 140 students nationwide to receive a perfect score on this year’s WordMasters Challenge.

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Leveraging Assets

With the help of a \$2,000 Tree Trust grant from Cargill, Fernbrook Elementary students and families installed an outdoor learning area on May 19. To celebrate the completion of the Tree Trust Nature Area, Fernbrook hosted a community event on May 25, inviting families to tour the outdoor classroom and learn about animals and the nature through presentations from the Science Museum of Minnesota, the Raptor Center, and a local naturalist.

The Park Center TV Morning Announcements crew toured the KARE 11 studios with reporter Jeff Olsen May 18 in celebration of their first full year producing daily video announcements for their school. During the visit, students watched the 5 p.m. news live from the set, and met several KARE 11 anchors and reporters.

Students at Garden City Elementary were ecstatic when they heard about a major donation to their school. Representatives of the Brooklyn Center Charitable Foundation presented a \$3,600 check to Principal Todd Tischer at a special assembly May 21. The Foundation makes an annual gift to Garden City to be used to help pay for school needs and to purchase school supplies for low-income students.

Mission-driven Employees

At the annual retiree recognition reception, our system honored 61 retiring employees. Their years of service totaled 1,450, an average of nearly 24 years per retiree. Many of their parting "words of wisdom" focused on the importance of the teacher/student relationship and the inspiration that comes from helping students learn.

Lisa Sjogren, technology integration specialist, was named a 2010 "Emerging Leader" by the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE). Lisa will be honored during ISTE's annual conference and exposition in Denver in late June.

Contributing to Community

Eight students from the Osseo Area Learning Center's student leadership team visited the Berkshire assisted living home on May 20 to demonstrate commitment to community. Students and seniors had a great time together, visiting and participating in a bowling activity.

Led by head building engineer Steve Ericson, Crest View students have been contributing to the Crest View community by forming The Green Team. Two to three times per week, this hard-working crew collects all classroom recyclables and takes on the task of keeping the outside grounds clean.

SUPT. REPORT	The results are in: Maple Grove Senior High students raised \$10,200 through their “Hope for Haiti” campaign this school year—well above the original goal of \$5,000. On May 28, students celebrated their success with an all-school ice cream social.
SCHOOL BOARD REPORTS	Chairperson Nelson gave an overview of the retiree reception that was held prior to this meeting at Osseo Senior High School. He shared that there were 61 retirees this year and together they worked at total of 1,450 years. That averages out to 23.8 years for each retiree. Chairperson Nelson thanked all of the retirees for their dedicated years of service.
MISSION FORWARD UPDATE	Mike Looby, Executive Director of Community Engagement, stated that the Mission Forward Task Force is beginning to draft their final report. There will be five writing teams focusing on five major areas. The report will be ready late July or August.
CONSENT AGENDA	<p>Motion by Nelson, seconded by Henke, to approve items in the Consent Agenda as follows:</p> <p><u>Approval of the minutes of the special meeting of May 4, 2010</u></p> <p><u>Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of May 4, 2010</u></p> <p><u>Approval of the minutes of the special meeting of May 17, 2010</u></p> <p><u>Verified Accounts Payable dated June 1, 2010</u></p> <p><u>Personnel</u></p> <p><u>Student Trips</u></p> <p><u>Surrogate Parent Appointments Three surrogate parent appointments - one dated May 19, 2010, one dated May 20, 2010, and one dated May 25, 2010</u></p> <p><u>Acceptance of the 2009-2010 Local Collaborative Time Study in the amount of \$10,315 and authorize an expenditure and budget appropriation in the amount of \$10,315</u></p> <p><u>Acceptance of the 2009-2010 NW Hennepin Family Service Collaborative in the amount of \$50,930 and authorize an expenditure and budget appropriation in the amount of \$50,930.</u></p> <p><u>Acceptance of the 2009-2010 Refugee School Impact Grant Supplemental in the amount of \$19,500 and authorize an expenditure and budget appropriation in the amount of \$19,500.</u></p>

<p>CONSENT AGENDA</p>	<p><u>Approval: Pavement Rehabilitation Contract Award to Minnesota Roadways</u></p> <p><u>Approval: Exterior Wall Rehabilitation Contract Award to A & M Construction</u></p> <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT JULY 1, 2009 – JUNE 30, 2011, AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 279 SCHOOL BOARD, AND LICENSED COORDINATORS</p>	<p>Motion by Nelson, seconded by Myszkowski, to approve the terms and conditions of employment July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2011, an agreement between Independent School District 279 School Board, and Licensed Coordinators.</p> <p>The motion carried on a 5-1 vote with Director Henke voting no.</p>
<p>GIFTS TO THE DISTRICT</p>	<p>Motion by Nelson, seconded by Cottington, to approve the Gifts to the District totaling \$23,396.58.</p> <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT</p>	<p>Margaret Westin, General Counsel, provided the first Reading of the following Policies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Policy 650 - Community Involvement in Education Program Develop: Site Councils *Policy 651 - Community School Cooperation in Setting Goals, Evaluating Progress and Planning Improvements in the Instructional Program: District Planning Advisory Council *Policy 725 - Establishing School Attendance Boundaries *Policy 616 - School District System Accountability <p>The second and final reading of the policies will take place at the July 13, 2010 meeting.</p>
<p>ANNOUNCEMENTS</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. School Board Work Session, Thursday, June 10, 2010, 5:30 PM, Forum Room, Educational Service Center. Topic: Budget 2010-2011. Open to the Public. 2. School Board Work Session. Tuesday, June 15, 2010 6:00 PM. Forum Room, Educational Service Center. Open to the Public. 3. Regular School Board Meeting, Tuesday, June 15, 2010, 8:00 PM, Board Room, Educational Service Center. Open to the Public. 4. School Board Work Session, Tuesday, June 22, 2010, 6:00 PM, Forum Room, Educational Service Center. Topic: North View School Improvement Grant. Open to the Public. 5. Negotiation Strategies Meeting, Tuesday, June 22, 2010, 7:00 PM, Conference Room N10, Educational Service Center. Closed to the Public.

ADJOURNMENT	At 8:55 PM, motion by Cottington, seconded by Henke, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.
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