

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 195
Randolph, Minnesota 55065

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

April 18, 2017

- 1) The Randolph School Board met in regular session on Tuesday, April 18, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the Media Center. Gary Moorhouse called the meeting to order. Directors present: Gary Moorhouse, Jason Podritz, Cory Lorenzen, Sara Taylor, Garlan Dubbels, Jay Otte and Michael Kelley, Superintendent. Administrators present: Benjamin Fisher, Aaron Soule, Matt Rutledge and Regina Wernimont. Staff members present: Kathy Stauffer and Reanna Arnoldi. Guest: Ken Haggerty.
- 2) A motion to approve the agenda as established was made by Sara Taylor, seconded by Cory Lorenzen. All members voting in favor.
- 3) A motion was made by Jay Otte, seconded by Garlan Dubbels to approve the following consent agenda items:
 - 3.1) Minutes of the Regular School Board meeting held March 20, 2017, as presented.
 - 3.2) March, 2017, bills and payroll.All members voting in favor.
- 4) Reanna Arnoldi showed pictures and reported on the Spanish class trip to Costa Rica - March 4-12, 2017. Twenty-two students went on the educational tour along with Reanna Arnoldi and Barret Freeland. Areas visited included: San Jose, Tortuguera, Sarapiquí, Arenal region, and Guanacaste.

Ms. Arnoldi shared how these trips are life-changing for students and stated “the students experienced and embraced a culture of warmth and happiness that thrives without many of the “things” that our culture associates with happiness. They came home with the realization that (quoted by a student traveler - even though we are worlds apart we are not really all that different). We all have the same basic needs and emotions regardless of the “things” that may or may not surround us.”

Some of their trip highlights included visiting schools, the green sea turtles at Tortuguero National Park, the rain forest, a volcano, making chocolate, kayaking, white water rafting, snorkeling, and being invited into the tour guide’s friends’ home for a meal. Costa Rica is very proud and protective of their ecosystem – even their bugs. Costa Rica has the capability to be self-sustaining for 1 ½ months and hopes to keep increasing that time to span a year. Ms. Arnoldi said they had a phenomenal tour guide and of all the trips she has been on, this was the one that the kids learned the most about a different culture, other people and themselves.

- 5) Ben Fisher, Special Education Director, gave an overview of the Special Education Department for 2016-2017. We are currently servicing 91 students, which is down from 92 students last year. Early Childhood screened a total of 40 three to five year old children during the 2016-2017 school year.
- 6) A motion was made by Jay Otte, seconded by Garlan Dubbels to approve the changes to the following 2017-2018 handbooks:

Elementary Student/Parent Handbook
Community Education Handbook
High School Student/Parent Handbook
Indoor Air Quality Management Handbook

All members voting in favor.

- 7) Matt Rutledge, Elementary Principal, reported on the paraprofessional meetings held 5 times during the school year; Community Education activities including a summer theatre camp.
- 8) Aaron Soule, Assistant HS Principal/Activities Director, reported on the new Google Doc form that's been created for students with concussions; Mayo Athletic Trainer meeting; MSHSL Section Realignments; 15th Annual Tractor Parade was held April 11th with a new record of 129 tractors participating. Sara Taylor shared Minnesota State FFA Advisor, Joel Larsen, also participated in the tractor parade.
- 9) Regina Wernimont, Business Manager, reported we have received Indoor Air Quality rebates from Excel – one for \$9,675 (lighting fixtures) and one for \$8,944 (roof top units); research of HR/Finance software – recommending to go with SunGard (formerly TIES); we received 5 health insurance bids – in July we will be switching from Medica to Health Partners who came in 14.7% lower for the same coverage, with no more than a 6% increase the second year; GASB 45 to 75.
- 10) Michael Kelley, Superintendent, reported our bus inspections went well; new 57 foot, handicap accessible bleachers will be installed on the football field and the old bleachers will be moved to the FFA tractor pull site; softball signs are starting to come in; tornado drill will be held on April 20th; attending the job fair on April 21; Dakota County Parks Meeting wanting Randolph School to help market the Lake Byllesby area; the Highway 86 road construction project is scheduled to start on April 24th and will affect our bus routes.
- 11) The School Board reported on the Personnel Committee Meeting held on April 18. Sara Taylor shared the National FFA did a video today at Randolph School and their turkey farm featuring Madison Taylor. This will be a cover story in New Horizons.

- 12) A motion was made by Cory Lorenzen, seconded by Jason Podritz to approve Karli O'Reilly's resignation from her C-Squad Volleyball Coach position. All members voting in favor.
- 13) A motion was made by Jay Otte, seconded by Sara Taylor to approve hiring Marie Jacob for the Head Volleyball Coach position for 2017-2018. All members voting in favor.
- 14) A motion was made by Garlan Dubbels, seconded by Jay Otte to approve hiring Kelsey Thompson as a long-term sub from April 18, 2017 to June 2, 2017. All members voting in favor.
- 15) A motion was made by Garlan Dubbels, seconded by Cory Lorenzen to approve hiring Deb Pressnall as a long-term sub from approximately April 24, 2017 to June 2, 2017. All members voting in favor.
- 16) A motion to adjourn was made by Sara Taylor, seconded by Garlan Dubbels. All members voting in favor.

Clerk: Sara Taylor