

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 195  
Randolph, Minnesota 55065

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

January 16, 2018

- 1) The Randolph School Board met in regular session on Tuesday, January 16, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the Media Center. Gary Moorhouse called the meeting to order. Directors present: Sara Taylor, Jay Otte, Garlan Dubbels, Cory Lorenzen, Jason Podritz and Gary Moorhouse. Administrators present: Benjamin Fisher, Matt Rutledge, Aaron Soule and Patty Riemenschneider. Staff members present: Kathy Stauffer and Cindy Reiland. Guest: Ken Haggerty.
- 2) A motion to approve the agenda as established was made by Cory Lorenzen, seconded by Sara Taylor. 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 December 19, 2017, as presented.
  - 3.2) December, 2017, bills and payroll.  
  
All members voting in favor.
- 4) Member, Sara Taylor, introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS**

WHEREAS the following have been generously donated:

- A&J Electric/Local Union 110 – \$4,900 for the House Construction Project

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member, Jason Podritz.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Randolph School Board to gratefully accept this gift.

Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Jason Podritz, Sara Taylor, Cory Lorenzen, Jay Otte, Garlan Dubbels, and Gary Moorhouse

and the following voted against the same: None

whereupon said resolution was declared and duly passed and adopted.

- 5) Gary Moorhouse was nominated for the position of School Board Chairperson for 2018 by Garlan Dubbels. There were no other nominations. Sara Taylor moved that the nominations cease, Jay Otte seconded the motion. All members voting in favor. A motion was made by Sara Taylor, seconded by Garlan Dubbels to approve Gary Moorhouse as the Board Chairperson for 2018. All members voting in favor.
- 6) Sara Taylor was nominated for the position of School Board Clerk for 2018 by Cory Lorenzen. There were no other nominations. Cory Lorenzen moved that the nominations cease, Jason Podritz seconded the motion. All members voting in favor. A motion was made by Cory Lorenzen, seconded by Garlan Dubbels to approve Sara Taylor as the Board Clerk for 2018. All members voting in favor.
- 7) Jay Otte was nominated for the position of School Board Treasurer for 2018 by Garlan Dubbels. There were no other nominations. Sara Taylor moved that the nominations cease, Jason Podritz seconded the motion. All members voting in favor. A motion was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Cory Lorenzen to approve Jay Otte as the Board Treasurer for 2018. All members voting in favor.

- 8) A motion was made by Garlan Dubbels, seconded by Jay Otte to establish the following School Board Committees for 2018:

Finance - Jay Otte, Garlan Dubbels, Jason Podritz  
Building and Grounds - Sara Taylor, Gary Moorhouse, Cory Lorenzen  
Transportation - Garlan Dubbels, Gary Moorhouse, Jay Otte  
Curriculum and Instruction/Graduation Standards - Cory Lorenzen, Sara Taylor  
Meet and Confer – Jason Podritz, Sara Taylor, Cory Lorenzen  
Negotiations/Personnel - Gary Moorhouse, Jay Otte, Cory Lorenzen  
MSHSL - Garlan Dubbels & Cory Lorenzen  
Community Education and Recreation Liaison – Jason Podritz, Cory Lorenzen, Sara Taylor  
Legislative Liaisons - Jay Otte, Gary Moorhouse  
Intermediate School District #917 Representative - Vanda Pressnall  
TIES/Infinite Campus - Sara Taylor  
Wellness – Garlan Dubbels

All members voting in favor.

9) Member, Cory Lorenzen, introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION  
TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REDUCTIONS  
IN PROGRAMS AND POSITIONS AND REASONS  
THEREFOR.

\* WHEREAS, the financial condition of the school district dictates that the school board must reduce expenditures immediately, and

\*\* WHEREAS, there has been a reduction in student enrollment, and,

WHEREAS, this (reduction in expenditure\*) and (decrease in student enrollment\*\*) must include discontinuance of positions and discontinuance or curtailment of programs, and

WHEREAS, a determination must be made as to which teachers' contracts must be terminated and not renewed and which teachers may be placed on unrequested leave of absence without pay or fringe benefits in effecting discontinuance of positions,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 195, as follows:

That the School Board hereby directs the Superintendent of Schools and administration to consider the discontinuance of programs or positions (to effectuate economies in the school district and reduce expenditures\*) and, (as a result of a reduction in enrollment\*\*), make recommendations to the school board for the discontinuance of programs, curtailment of programs, discontinuance of positions or curtailment of positions.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member

Garlan Dubbels and upon vote being taken thereon, the following

voted in favor thereof: Jason Podritz, Sara Taylor, Cory Lorenzen, Jay Otte, Garlan Dubbels, Gary Moorhouse

and the following voted against the same:

None

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

NOTE:

\* To be used where decrease in expenditures is reason.

\*\* To be used where decrease in enrollment is reason.

10) A motion was made by Sara Taylor, seconded by Jason Podritz to approve the 2017-2018 Final Seniority List as presented by the administration. All members voting in favor.

- 11) The Administration reviewed the January 2018, K-12 student enrollment with the Board. Enrollment is down by 3 students from the start of this school year with a current total K-12 enrollment of 658, which is down 4 students from January 2017.
- 12) Matt Rutledge, Elementary School Principal, reported the elementary staff has been reviewing reading curriculum from Pearson and Houghton Mifflin.
- 13) Benjamin Fisher, High School Principal/Special Ed Director, reported the January 6<sup>th</sup> American Wrestling Federation Fundraiser did okay for the first time having it and that there was one incident; the high school staff held “topics of discussion” during Teacher Workshop that was well received.
- 14) Aaron Soule, Assistant HS Principal/Activities Director reported on the SEC Meeting and Winter Sports.
- 15) Patty Riemenschneider, Business Manager, reported we had one work-related injury reported to OSHA in 2017 (same as previous year); REAP; e-Finance Plus training started this week at ISD 917 for our new HR/Finance system to be implemented in July.
- 16) Michael Kelley, Superintendent, gave a reminder on our cold weather guidelines for late starts or closing school - minus 25-30 degrees temp /minus 35-40 wind chill; Orange & Blue Crew Committee helps to promote pride in our school & is currently planning “Start With Hello” week; Dakota County held a meeting at the school on January 11 regarding plans for County Road 88 in 2020 – approximately 85 people came and had good questions; Wold/HVAC update – lead engineer, Kevin Marshall, came to review some building automation concerns; TIES – still in the middle of the process of whether they will dissolve or not, Infinite Campus possibly purchasing TIES, and how these scenarios will affect the member districts; changed our alarm monitoring from Trans Alarm to Tech One; 917’s lockdown last week found no threat in their search; PELSB – Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board – has extended all teacher licenses and 5-year administrative licenses that were in effect on January 1, 2018, one additional year, as they implement the new 4 tiered licensure in Minnesota. The Board of Teaching and the Minnesota Department of Education, Educator Licensing Division, has been consolidated under PELSB.
- 17) The School Board reported on the Community Education Advisory Committee meeting held January 16<sup>th</sup> and the MSBA Convention held on January 11<sup>th</sup>.
- 18) A motion was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Sara Taylor to approve the resignation of House Construction teacher, Thomas Wilker. All members voting in favor.
- 19) A motion was made by Cory Lorenzen, seconded by Jason Podritz to approve Karli O’Reilly’s leave of absence from approximately March 5, 2018 through the end of the school year. All members voting in favor.
- 20) A motion was made by Garlan Dubbels, seconded by Jason Podritz to approve hiring Kent Peine as a Community Expert to teach the House Construction class for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year. All members voting in favor.

- 21) A motion was made by Jay Otte, seconded by Sara Taylor to approve the revisions to the Randolph School District Cooperative Athletic Policy #551. All members voting in favor.
- 22) A motion to adjourn was made by Garlan Dubbels, seconded by Jay Otte. All members voting in favor.

Clerk: Sara Taylor