

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 195
Randolph, Minnesota 55065

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

April 17, 2018

- 1) The Randolph School Board met in regular session on Tuesday, April 17, 2018, 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 and Michael Kelley, Superintendent. Director absent: Jay Otte. Administrators present: Benjamin Fisher, Aaron Soule, Matt Rutledge and Patty Riemenschneider. Staff members present: Kathy Stauffer, LaRae Ulvenes and Jordan Snesrud. Guests: Ken Haggerty, Alyssa Whitson, McKayla Johnston and Taylor Jerde.
- 2) A motion to approve the agenda as established was made by Garlan Dubbels, seconded by Jason Podritz. All members voting in favor.
- 3) A motion was made by Sara Taylor, seconded by Garlan Dubbels to approve the following consent agenda items:
 - 3.1) Minutes of the Regular School Board meeting held March 20, 2018, as presented.
 - 3.2) March, 2018, bills and payroll.All members voting in favor.
- 4) LaRae Ulvenes, along with students Alyssa Whitson, McKayla Johnston and Taylor Jerde, showed a You Tube video of their Washington DC/New York City trip – March 12-16, 2018. Thirty students went on the educational tour along with LaRae Ulvenes and Mike Silk. Sites visited included: Mt. Vernon, Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorial, Jefferson Memorial, World War II Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery, Iwo Jima Marine Memorial, Smithsonian, Holocaust Memorial Museum, White House, International Spy Museum, Fords Theatre, Capitol Tour, National Archives, Rockefeller Center, NBC Tour, Times Square, Statue of Liberty, Broadway musical performance “Waitress”, and the 9/11 Museum.
- 5) A motion was made by Sara Taylor, seconded by Cory Lorenzen to approve the changes to the following handbooks for 2018-2019:
 - Elementary Student/Parent Handbook
 - Community Education Handbook
 - High School Student/Parent Handbook
 - Indoor Air Quality Management HandbookAll members voting in favor.

- 6) Matt Rutledge, Elementary Principal, thanked staff for their creative ideas:
 - a) Marie Jacob for the Grab & Go Breakfast for the upper elementary students, which has been a great success with double the students now eating breakfast –in September 1,548 elementary breakfasts were served & in March 2,746 elementary breakfasts were served;
 - b) Karen Zastrow for lining up the outstanding Air Force Band performance;
 - c) Tessa Amundson for organizing the elementary student photo for the Minnesota Wild Playoffs Spirit contest – Randolph Elementary School won the contest and hosted the MN Wild playoff pep rally which included a student/teacher floor hockey shootout, visit from Nordy the MN Wild mascot, WildVision’s Rusty Kath, FOX Sports North’s Wes Walz and Audra Martin were the emcees, students and staff all received an official 2018 MN Wild Stanley Cup Playoff Rally Towel. Title One new process this year. Changing the perception of the last 2 weeks of school.

- 7) Ben Fisher, HS Principal/Special Education Director, reported 31 students took the ACT test and 8 students took the ASVAB test on April 24; 16th Annual Tractor Parade was held April 13th with 112 tractors participating, which was a great turn out with the inclement weather; Randolph School hosted the Carl Perkins Consortium Meeting on April 13th and they enjoyed seeing the tractor parade.

- 8) Aaron Soule, Assistant HS Principal/Activities Director, reported we can apply for the MSHSL Foundation Grant again next year; Mock Car Crash will be held at Randolph School on April 25; Spring Activities has been a struggle with the weather this year – only one softball game has been played so far; thanked Kate Esser and the Rockets Volleyball Team for another successful Dig Pink event collecting over \$18,000 for breast cancer. Over 800 volleyball teams participated and Randolph School was #1 in the Nation!

- 9) Patty Riemenschneider, Business Manager, reported on the MDE EDRS webinar; and eFinancePlus – May 14 will be a parallel trial run.

- 10) Michael Kelley, Superintendent, reported the 4th of six Task Force Meetings was held on April 16 with good round table discussion including information from Ehlers: 2017 Legislature enacted the School Building Bond Agricultural Tax Credit. This property tax credit begins in taxes payable in 2018 (fiscal 2018-2019) and was first reflected on the Truth in Taxation statements sent out in November of 2017 on the line titled “School building bond credit.” This is a permanent law change which provides owners of agricultural property with a 40% credit for taxes attributable to school district debt service – existing and new debt, excluding OPEB (Other Post Employment Benefits) bonds. The credit applies to school debt taxes on all agricultural property classified as 2a, 2b and 2c, regardless of homestead status which includes all agricultural land and out-building values. Attended DOT Workshop with Kathy Stauffer & Rhea Moorhouse on April 5; Highway projects coming up on 19, 50 and 86 affecting bus routes; attending the Job Fair on April 23, we have done this for several years and thanked Aaron Soule for letting us first know about it; attended meeting with other School District Superintendents regarding ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act) on April 17 – students who opt out of MCA testing counts for zero

- proficiency for the school; thanked Scott Dohman from CF Industries for the grant check for \$2,280.00 he presented to 6 of our teachers for the Sciences in school.
- 11) The School Board reported on the Building & Grounds Committee Meeting held April 3, Finance Committee Meeting held on April 5, Community Education Committee Meeting held on April 17.
 - 12) A motion was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Cory Lorenzen to approve Jody Sampson's resignation from her business teacher position at the end of the 2017-2018 school year. The School Board thanked her for her time here. All members voting in favor.
 - 13) A motion was made by Sara Taylor, seconded by Jason Podritz to approve Karen Connell's resignation from her special education teacher position at the end of the 2017-2018 school year. All members voting in favor.
 - 14) A motion was made by Garlan Dubbels, seconded by Sara Taylor to approve Cindy Reiland's retirement from her math teacher position at the end of the 2017-2018 school year. The school board was happy to hear Cindy will be back as a substitute teacher next year. All members voting in favor.
 - 15) A motion was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Sara Taylor to approve Cassie Nelson's leave of absence from approximately May 21, 2018 to June 4, 2018. All members voting in favor.
 - 16) A motion was made by Cory Lorenzen, seconded by Garlan Dubbels to approve appointing Vanda Pressnall for another 3-year term representing Randolph School District as a School Board Member of Intermediate School District 917. This term will expire on June 30, 2021. All members voting in favor.
 - 17) A motion was made by Cory Lorenzen, seconded by Garlan Dubbels to approve the revisions to Policy 612.1 – Development of Parent and Family Engagement Policies for Title I Programs. All members voting in favor.
 - 18) A motion was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Sara Taylor to approve the revisions to Policy 616 – School District System Accountability. All members voting in favor.
 - 19) A motion was made by Garlan Dubbels, seconded by Jason Podritz to amend the 2017-2018 school calendar making April 3, 2018, a non-instructional day, with no make-up day added to the calendar. All members voting in favor.
 - 20) A motion to adjourn was made by Sara Taylor, seconded by Cory Lorenzen. All members voting in favor.

Clerk: Sara Taylor