

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 195  
Randolph, Minnesota 55065

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

January 15, 2019

- 1) The Randolph School Board met in regular session on Tuesday, January 15, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the Media Center. Gary Moorhouse called the meeting to order. Directors present: Sara Taylor, Jason Podritz, Regina Wernimont, Leah Radman and Gary Moorhouse. Director absent: Cory Lorenzen. Administrators present: Benjamin Fisher, Matt Rutledge, Aaron Soule and Patty Riemenschneider. Staff members present: Kathy Stauffer and Nicole Gill. Guests: Jeff Seeley from Ehlers; Ken Haggerty.
- 2) A motion to approve the agenda with additions was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Regina Wernimont. All members voting in favor.
- 3) A motion was made by Leah Radman, seconded by Sara Taylor to approve the following consent agenda items:
  - 3.1) Minutes of the Regular School Board meeting held December 18, 2018, as presented.
  - 3.2) December, 2018, check register.All members voting in favor.
- 4) Member, Regina Wernimont, introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS**

WHEREAS the following have been generously donated:

- Anonymous Donor - \$300.00 in Cub Foods gift cards for the school social worker to distribute to families in need

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member, Leah Radman.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Randolph School Board to gratefully accept these gifts.

Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Jason Podritz, Sara Taylor, Leah Radman, Regina Wernimont, Gary Moorhouse (Cory Lorenzen absent)

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 2019 by Sara Taylor. There were no other nominations. Regina Wernimont moved that the nominations cease, Jason Podritz seconded the motion. All members voting in favor. A motion was made by Sara Taylor, seconded by Jason Podritz to approve Gary Moorhouse as the Board Chairperson for 2019. All members voting in favor.
- 6) Sara Taylor was nominated for the position of School Board Clerk for 2019 by Regina Wernimont. There were no other nominations. Leah Radman moved that the nominations cease, Jason Podritz seconded the motion. All members voting in favor. A motion was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Regina Wernimont to approve Sara Taylor as the Board Clerk for 2019. All members voting in favor.
- 7) Regina Wernimont was nominated for the position of School Board Treasurer for 2019 by Sara Taylor. There were no other nominations. Leah Radman moved that the nominations cease, Sara Taylor seconded the motion. All members voting in favor. A motion was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Leah Radman to approve Regina Wernimont as the Board Treasurer for 2019. All members voting in favor.
- 8) A motion was made by Sara Taylor, seconded by Jason Podritz to establish the following School Board Committees for 2019:
  - Finance - Jason Podritz, Regina Wernimont, Leah Radman
  - Building and Grounds - Sara Taylor, Gary Moorhouse, Cory Lorenzen
  - Transportation - Gary Moorhouse, Jason Podritz, Sara Taylor
  - Curriculum and Instruction/Graduation Standards - Cory Lorenzen, Sara Taylor
  - Meet and Confer – Jason Podritz, Sara Taylor, Cory Lorenzen
  - Negotiations/Personnel - Gary Moorhouse, Cory Lorenzen, Regina Wernimont
  - MSHSL - Cory Lorenzen, Leah Radman
  - Community Education and Recreation Liaison – Jason Podritz, Cory Lorenzen, Sara Taylor
  - Legislative Liaisons - Gary Moorhouse, Regina Wernimont
  - Intermediate School District #917 Representative - Vanda Pressnall
  - Wellness – Regina Wernimont

All members voting in favor.

- 9) Member, Regina Wernimont, introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS, SERIES 2019A; AND COVENANTING AND OBLIGATING THE DISTRICT TO BE BOUND BY AND TO USE THE PROVISIONS OF MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 126C.55 TO GUARANTEE THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON THESE BONDS**

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 195 (Randolph Public Schools), Minnesota, as follows:

1. Bond Authorization. The School Board has determined that it is necessary and expedient to issue General Obligation School Building Bonds, Series 2019A, in an amount not to exceed \$6,800,000.
  2. Sale. The District has retained Ehlers & Associates, Inc. (Ehlers) in Roseville, Minnesota, as its independent municipal advisor for the Bonds. Ehlers is authorized to solicit proposals in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.60, Subdivision 2(9). If the issuance of the Bonds is approved, the School Board shall meet at the time and place specified in the Official Statement to receive and consider proposals for the purchase of the Bonds.
  3. Official Statement; Negotiation of Sale. Ehlers is authorized to prepare and distribute an Official Statement and to open, read and tabulate the proposals for presentation to the Board.
  4. Minnesota School District Credit Enhancement Program. (a) The District hereby covenants and obligates itself to notify the Commissioner of Education of a potential default in the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds and to use the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.55 to guarantee payment of the principal and interest on the Bonds when due. The District further covenants to deposit with the Registrar or any successor paying agent three (3) days prior to the date on which a payment is due an amount sufficient to make that payment or to notify the Commissioner of Education that it will be unable to make all or a portion of that payment. The Registrar for the Bonds is authorized and directed to notify the Commissioner of Education if it becomes aware of a potential default in the payment of principal or interest on the Bonds or if, on the day two (2) business days prior to the date a payment is due on the Bonds, there are insufficient funds to make that payment on deposit with the Registrar. The District understands that as a result of its covenant to be bound by the provision of Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.55, the provisions of that section shall be binding as long as any Bonds of this issue remain outstanding.
- (b) The District further covenants to comply with all procedures now and hereafter established by the Departments of Management and Budget and Education of the State of Minnesota pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.55, subdivision 2(c) and otherwise to take such actions as necessary to comply with that section. The chair, clerk, superintendent or business manager is authorized to execute any applicable Minnesota Department of Education forms.

The motion for adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Sara Taylor, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

Jason Podritz, Sara Taylor, Leah Radman, Regina Wernimont, Gary Moorhouse  
(Cory Lorenzen absent)

and the following voted against the same:

None

whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

10) Member, Regina Wernimont, 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

Leah Radman and upon vote being taken thereon, the following

voted in favor thereof: Jason Podritz, Sara Taylor, Leah Radman, Regina Wernimont, Gary Moorhouse (Cory Lorenzen absent)

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.

- 11) A motion was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Sara Taylor to approve the 2018-2019 Final Seniority List as presented by the administration. All members voting in favor.
- 12) The Administration reviewed the January 2019, K-12 student enrollment with the Board. Enrollment is up by 6 students from the start of this school year with a current total K-12 enrollment of 683, which is up 25 students from January 2018.
- 13) Matt Rutledge, Elementary School Principal, reported on math curriculum, 2<sup>nd</sup> graders sent candy to the military, Minnesota Student Survey, and Community Education.
- 14) Benjamin Fisher, High School Principal/Special Ed Director, reported curriculum review for Science this year; we currently have two student teachers in the high school and will have one more starting in March.
- 15) Aaron Soule, Assistant HS Principal/Activities Director reported getting the school records for volleyball online; wrestling match at Randolph School on January 24<sup>th</sup> vs Pine Island will be the first since 1981. On January 16<sup>th</sup> Carson Gunderson, grade 12, was the 9<sup>th</sup> person to score 1000 points in basketball from Randolph School! Head Girls Basketball Coach, Dennis Trom, celebrated his 100<sup>th</sup> win on January 11<sup>th</sup>.
- 16) Patty Riemenschneider, Business Manager, reported we had one work-related injury reported to OSHA in 2018 (same as previous year); ACH discounts; working on calendar year-end-processing (W2's and 1099's). Staff will be receiving two W2's this year because we were on two finance systems last school year.
- 17) 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; new Commissioner of Education is in office – Mary Cathryn Ricker; Orange & Blue Crew update; REA has submitted a letter of intent to open negotiations on the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 Master Agreement between the Randolph Education Association and the Randolph Board of Education; MSBA Phase II Workshop on January 16 and MSBA Convention on January 17; looking into offering Community Day Trips through Community Education.
- 18) A motion was made by Sara Taylor, seconded by Jason Podritz to approve the second reading of the following policies:
  - 504 – Student Dress and Appearance
  - 525 – Violence Prevention
  - 904 – Distribution of Materials on School Property by Nonschool Persons

All members voting in favor.

- 19) A motion was made by Regina Wernimont, seconded by Leah Radman to approve the resignation of Arlo Meyers, from his regular bus route driving position. All members voting in favor.

- 20) A motion was made by Regina Wernimont, seconded by Sara Taylor to approve hiring Al Cooreman as a regular bus route driver. All members voting in favor.
- 21) A motion to adjourn was made by Regina Wernimont, seconded by Leah Radman. All members voting in favor.

Clerk: Sara Taylor