

Independent School District No. 4
McGregor, MN 55760
Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Monday, April 15, 2013 – 6:00 pm – Room 201, 2nd Floor

Chairperson Doten called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with members DeWitt, Doten, Jackson, Kruse, Kulju, Orbeck and Sorensen present. Also present were Superintendent / Elementary Principal Grams, High School Principal Staska, and other interested parties.

Kruse made a motion, seconded by DeWitt to approve the agenda. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Pledge of Allegiance

Kruse made a motion, seconded by Orbeck to approve the leave request for Heather Nistler. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Comments and requests from visitors:

Joe Wisotzke presented on starting a DECA program at McGregor High School.

Lisa Kruse, Stacey Durgin and Susan Michels presented on Wellness Policy changes and the SHIP Grant.

Lisa Kruse presented on preschool rate changes.

Kruse made a motion, seconded by Kulju to change the rates for preschool to a three tier charging basis. The charges would be income based and prices would be the following per year:

One Day Preschool: Level A \$160, Level B \$120 and Level C \$80

Two Day Preschool: Level A \$320, Level B \$240 and Level C \$160

All voted, Doten opposed and the motion carried.

Orbeck made a motion seconded by DeWitt to approve the consent agenda, removing item a. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

- a. Approval of minutes from 3/18/13 and 4/8/13
- b. Review cash balances
- c. Review Expenditure/Revenue Guideline Report
- d. Approval of bills, claims and accounts for March
- e. Review cash receipts for March
- f. Review Activity Fund report
- g. Approve the Lane Change to MA Step 13 for Jennifer Thompson effective Sept 2013

Kruse made a motion, seconded by DeWitt to approve the retirement of Rick Christensen, Facilities Supervisor, effective on June 30, 2013. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

DeWitt made a motion, seconded by Kruse to approve the resignation of Barrett Willard, Industrial Technology Teacher, effective at the end of the 2012-2013 school year. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

DeWitt made a motion, seconded by Kruse to approve the resignation of Kalla McEachern, Kindergarten Teacher, effective at the end of the 2012-2013 school year. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

The Audit Service item #11 was removed from the agenda

DeWitt made a motion, seconded by Orbeck to approve Paul Brainard as Elementary EBD Teacher at BA+45 Step 9, effective for 2013-2014 school year. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

DeWitt made a motion, seconded by Kruse to approve the amended minutes from 3/18/13 and the minutes from 4/8/13. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent / Elementary Principal reported on the Auditorium Lights request, mower request, and story pit. Mr. Grams requested to have board members come in and prioritize the list of requests; meeting will take place Thursday, April 18 at 1:00 with Kruse, DeWitt and Sorensen. Activities Committee has a meeting on Wednesday, April 17th at 2:00.

High School Principal met with the principals of all Aitkin County Schools and with Social Services to come up with a Universal Attendance Policy. They will meet again in June. Mr. Staska also reported on Spring Sports and current numbers of kids involved.

Board Member Kruse made a motion to request that a Business Manager Report be added to the monthly Board agenda. Jackson seconded the motion. All voted and Kulju opposed. The motion carried.

Comments from Student Representative: none

Discussion Items:

- a. Auditorium Lights
- b. Snow Day recommendation

Upcoming Meetings:

Work Session Meeting on May 6, 2013 at 6:00

Regular Meeting on May 20, 2013 at 6:00

Enrollment Update

DeWitt reminded members there is a Benefit on May 3rd for the Waddick Family from 5:00-7:00, which includes a Turkey dinner and silent auction.

DeWitt made a motion, seconded by Orbeck to adjourn at 7:26 pm. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Mike Kruse, Clerk of School Board