

Independent School District No. 4
McGregor, MN 55760
Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Monday, September 30, 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, Business Manager Dalchow and other interested parties.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Introduction of new faculty member: Crystal Orazem, Elementary Special Education Teacher.

Comments and requests from visitors: Heather Barnett

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

- a. Approval of minutes from 8/19/13 and 9/16/13
- b. Review cash balances
- c. Review Expenditure/Revenue Guideline Report
- d. Approval of bills, claims and accounts for August
- e. Review cash receipts for August
- f. Review Activity Fund report
- g. Approve Kelly Watts as Early Childhood Assistant effective Sept 3, 2013.
- h. Accept donations:

Aitkin County Child Abuse Prevention Council	\$1500	Bully Prevention Project
McGregor Area Clothing Closet	\$200	school supplies, items or fees

DeWitt made a motion seconded by Sorensen to approve Emily Brown as High School Special Education Teacher, effective August 27, 2013 at BA Step 0 until proper license is received. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Kruse made a motion seconded by DeWitt to approve the MFT Contract effective July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Kruse made a motion seconded by DeWitt to pass the resolution regarding the Flex Benefit Plan with Educators Benefits Consultants. A roll call vote was taken and DeWitt, Jackson, Kruse, Doten, Kulju, Orbeck and Sorensen voted yes. There were zero no votes.

Kruse made a motion seconded by DeWitt to approve the 2013 Payable 2014 proposed levy at the maximum, currently \$1,423,087.53. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Kulju made a motion seconded by Kruse to set the Truth in Taxation meeting to be held a Special Session on December 2, 2013. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Kruse made a motion seconded by Orbeck to approve the purchase of 68" Angle broom for the Bobcat at \$4,225.05. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

A discussion took place regarding non-certified leave requests.

Superintendent / Elementary Principal reported on football and volleyball, picture day today, Law Conference on Friday, and hearing and vision screening.

Meet & Confer dates were set for the last Tuesday of the months of November, February and April at 4:00.

Board Members reported on: donations to the band department, unlocking doors on game night, activities committee meeting after fall sports, curriculum committee and current curriculum process, concessions and the start of the school year.

Comments from Student Representative:

Discussion Items:

a. Season Passes

Kruse made a motion, seconded by Sorensen to approve all staff a free athletic season pass or purchase a family season pass at half price. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

b. Non-certified negotiations were set for October 7th and October 24th at 4:00.

c. Odysseyware presentation is set for October 7, 2013.

Upcoming Meetings:

Work Session Meeting on October 7, 2013 at 6:00.

Regular Meeting on October 21, 2013 at 6:00.

Enrollment Update

Kruse made a motion, seconded by Sorensen to adjourn at 6:50 pm. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Mike Kruse, Clerk of School Board
(Not yet approved)