



Cloquet Public Schools

Regular Meeting

Monday, November 27, 2023 at 6:00 PM
Garfield Board Room
302 14th Street
Cloquet, MN 55720
302 - 14th Street, Cloquet, MN

5:30 pm Working Session

6:00 pm Regular Meeting

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Board Chair N. Sandman called the working session to order at 5:30 p.m.

Topics discussed:

Dr. Cary gave an update on teacher negotiations and new earned sick and safe time ESST legislation and impacts on the district. He reviewed the agenda including contracts for HR/staffing review of the business office and new messaging and website platform. Dr Cary reviewed a few items from the annual audit and answered questions about enrollment. A board member asked for an update on new track striping. There being nothing further to discuss, Board Chair N. Sandman adjourned the meeting at 6:02 p.m.

November 13, 2023

The Regular Meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 94, in the City of Cloquet on November 13, 2023, was called to order by Board Chair N. Sandman at 6:03 p.m.

Roll Call – The following members were present on roll call:

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| • Nathan Sandman, Board Chair | • Sarah Buhs |
| • Melissa Juntunen, Board Clerk | • Gary Huard |
| • David Battaglia, Board Treasurer | • Ken Scarbrough |

Present in Person:

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| • Dr. Michael Cary, Superintendent | • Candace Nelis, Business Manager |
| • Mary Marciniak, Exec. Asst. to the Superintendent | • T.J. Smith, IT Director |
| | • Ashlee Lennartson, EMC Representative |

Building principals, teacher representatives, AIE Director, Community Education Director, District Facilities & Grounds Director will be excused from attending Board meetings until further notice.

APPROVAL OF BOARD AGENDA

- RESOLVED by G. Huard to approve the November 13, 2023, board agenda, as presented. K. Scarbrough seconded the motion, and the resolution was approved by unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- RESOLVED by D. Battaglia to approve the October 23, 2023, school board meeting minutes, as presented. S. Buhs seconded the motion, and the resolution was approved by unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

OPEN FORUM AND RECEPTION OF DELEGATIONS, PETITIONS, AND COMMUNICATIONS

- Building and Department Reports were reviewed.
- Dustin Opatz, from Bergan KDV presented the finding from the 2023 financial audit and answered any questions from the board members and Dr. Cary.
- No Public Comment was given.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CLAIMS AND WIRES

- RESOLVED M. Juntunen to approve Claims, November 5, 2023; Hand Checks, October 26, 2023, November 1 and 2, 2023; September Food Service Reports, as presented. N. Sandman seconded the motion, and the resolution was approved by unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

CONSENT ITEMS

- RESOLVED by N. Sandman to approve the Consent Items, as presented.

1. Resignations:

- Vickie Rindal, 3 hrs./day Food Service Floater, effective October 31, 2023
- Diana Munter, Program Assistant at Kids Corner, effective November 30, 2023

2. Recommendations of Employment:

	NAME	POSITION/LOCATION	SALARY**	START DATE
a.	Elizabeth Tobolaski	EDHS Paraprofessional at CAAEP (up to 90 hrs.)	Current rate	11/7/23
b.	Shari Steffes	6.5 hrs./day LT Sub Para at Washington	\$18.93/hr.	11/16/23
c.	Amy Salo	4 hrs./day ECSE Para at Li'l Lumberjacks/Church.	\$18.93/hr.	11/14/23 <small>(sub 11/8/23)</small>
d.	Nicolle Lourey	Health Asst at Li'l Thunder and Lumberjacks	\$75/hr.	10/1/23
e.	Tianna Morgan	Program Aide Assistant at Li'l Lumberjacks	\$10.69/hr.	9/16/23
f.	Lucinda Barnes	4.5 hrs/day Paraprofessional at NLA	\$18.93/hr.	11/14/23

3. Extra Services Contracts

a.	Anita Johnson	Set Assistant with Fall Musical	\$1000.00 (from \$800)
b.	Ethan Hollinger	Light Design	\$70.00
c.	Lauren Empson	CAAEP Student Council Co-Advisor	\$1,126.00 **
d.	Lauren Empson	Building Leadership Team	\$2,238.00 **
e.	Hunter Williams	Nordic Ski Volunteer	
f.	Henry Slater	Nordic Ski Volunteer	

** Prorated from November- June and rate will be updated with new 2023-2025 EM-C Teacher Contract

4. Permission to Post

- 8 hrs./day Head Custodian at the Garfield building
- Homebased Teacher at NLA
- 2023-2024 Targeted Services After School Staff

- K. Scarbrough seconded the motion, and the resolution was approved by unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

SCHOOL BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

- District Health, Safety & Crisis Committee Meeting, October 26, 2023, was reviewed.
- Student enrollment report from November 8, 2023, was reviewed.

NEW BUSINESS

- RESOLVED by N. Sandman to approve the final 2023 audit, as presented. M. Juntunen seconded the motion, and the resolution was approved by unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.
- RESOLVED by S. Buhs to approve the contract with Center for Effective School Operation for human resources operations assessment and business office staffing analysis process review, as presented. K. Scarbrough seconded the motion, and the resolution was approved by unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.
- RESOLVED by K. Scarbrough to approve the contract with Apptegy for new website design, district messaging and mobile application, as presented. M. Juntunen seconded the motion, and the resolution was approved by unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.
- RESOLVED by K. Scarbrough to approve Dr. Cary to digitally sign the annual assurance of compliance with the state and federal law prohibiting discrimination and verify mandated report training per MN Rule 3535.9910, as presented. N. Sandman seconded the motion, and the resolution was approved by unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.
- RESOLVED by G. Huard to approve the contract with NLSEC for preschool services at Our Redeemer Preschool (Contract EC_1), as presented. D. Battaglia seconded the motion, and the resolution was approved by unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.
- RESOLVED by N. Sandman to approve the legislative updates to policies 506 and 620 and waive 2nd and 3rd reading, as presented. S. Buhs seconded the motion, and the resolution was approved by unanimous yea vote of all members present on roll call.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Dr. Cary covered all topics in the working session.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- District Wellness Policy Committee Meeting Summary, October 24, 2023

- CHS Fall Musical Little Shop of Horrors - November 16-19, 2023

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

- Tuesday, November 14, 2023 - DAC Meeting - 4 p.m. - Garfield Boardroom
- Tuesday, November 21, 2023 - Community Ed Advisory Committee Meeting - 5:30 p.m. - CE Conference Room
- Monday, November 27, 2023 - 5:30 p.m. Working Session/6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting – Boardroom
- Tuesday, November 28, 2023 - Technology Committee - 3:45 p.m. - CHS Conference Room
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ADJOURNMENT

There being nothing further to discuss, Board Chair N. Sandman adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

ATTEST:

Clerk of the School Board

Chair of the School Board

Department Reports

Churchill Elementary:

Churchill had a very positive conference period with families recently. Our family conference percentage was 95 %. Churchill hosted a McTeacher Night fundraiser at McDonald's on 11/21. Churchill and Washington will be working together with cross-building PLC time on the staff development day on December 1st. Teams and departments will be focusing on the new Into Reading series and other student achievement-related goals. The Climb Theater group visits Churchill on 11/30 as a part of the PBIS Trimester One reward. The topics will center around self-regulation and empathy. Churchill hosts the Holiday Expo on Saturday, 12/2.

Submitted by David Wangen, Churchill Elementary Principal

Washington Elementary:

At Washington.....

-3rd graders did a fabulous job at their music program on Thursday, November 16th!! It was a "Friendship" themed program and they performed to a very full gym of adoring fans!

-1st graders went to a Children's Theater production of "Say It, Sing It, Play It in Cherokee" at FDLTCC on the 16th as well. We are grateful that the opportunity was extended to our students, and the kids reported that it was awesome! 😊

-2nd graders were the winning grade who accumulated the most purple pride slips for making great choices this past month, so they selected our spirit day theme for November 22nd.....and the theme was Disney Day!

-K-4 teachers did another round of "Into Reading" training last week, and are working extremely hard to plan and deliver the new curriculum in an effective way that also layers in the science of reading and LETRS training.

-Last but not least, Washington is thrilled to be honored as a "National ESEA Distinguished School"!! We were notified a few days ago that we are one of the two Minnesota schools being nationally recognized! There are three categories that are considered when they select distinguished schools, and Washington was chosen for our "excellence in serving special populations of students" which is category 3. The high achievement of our American Indian students specifically is what has resulted in our recognition. HATS OFF to the amazing staff who are working diligently every single day to help students progress, and also well done to our students who are doing the hard work and showing tremendous progress!!

Submitted by Robbi Mondati, Washington Elementary Principal

Cloquet Middle School:

Knowledge Bowl Competition for 5th & 6th Grade (Niki Whittet)

This year, 3 Knowledge Bowl teams competed in the Elementary Division. All three teams advanced to regionals, with Cloquet 1 finishing in 2nd place overall! Even more impressive, in my book, is that all three teams have been improving every single meet. While it's natural for the students to want to focus on beating another school, I've been encouraging them to try hard to keep improving on their last meet's score, and they have been! Teams Cloquet 2 and Cloquet 3 improved by over 15 points from their first meet! Altogether, Knowledge Bowl this year has been a wonderful experience for this group of 18 students who have continually learned, grown, and challenged one another.

Circle Training (Tom Lenarz)

The middle school continues its journey towards a more restorative approach to classroom discipline. We are in Year 3 of our 5-year plan to implement circle training for staff as an additional teaching tool and a level 1 behavior intervention. Counselors are going into homerooms and facilitating one monthly circle with various topics. Circles can be used as a team-building activity or to address some of the significant issues we deal with often (Bullying, truancy, family issues, etc.). Homeroom advisors are then provided with prompts and asked to run one circle with their homeroom on their own.

To help staff feel more confident and comfortable with this process, we have spent time getting staff trained as circle keepers over the last two years and learning more about the history of circles and how they have been traditionally used. Laraine Mickelson has worked in this field for quite a while in Carlton County and is responsible for our staff's professional development. To date, about half of our certified staff have completed this training, and our goal is to have staff trained by the end of the 25-26 school year.

Trauma-Informed Classrooms Training (Tom Lenarz)

There have been tremendous advances over the last 10-15 years in brain science and how trauma impacts our student's ability to learn. Justin Tiarks is an expert in trauma-informed practice for schools and, as a primary school principal in St. Paul, works with districts around the state to become more effective in dealing with students experiencing trauma. The middle school has had this training in the past, but with the influx of new staff and information, it was time for us to explore it again. Justin spent a half day with the middle and high school staff, sharing his insights and information on multiple ACES studies and how trauma impacts students. Staff were also informed on ways to reduce triggering events for students and practical examples of how to work with dysregulated students. Staff were surveyed after the training and overwhelmingly supported a follow-up session where we would focus on practical applications in the school and classroom of this research.

Groups/Club Starting Up:

- Basketball Boys/Girls
- Destination Imagination
- Science Fair
- Spelling Bee
- Alpine Ski Team
- Nordic Ski

Field Trips coming up:

- 11.22.23 Mrs. McInerney Community Outing
- 11.27.23 Math Meet
- 12.18.23 Math Meet
- 12.14 Math Meet
- 12.04 thru Dec 15 5th Grade Star based on weekly rotation
- 1.22.24 Math Meet
- 1.23.24 AIE 5-8 grade Wilderness Game
- 2.12.24 Math Meet
- 3.11.24 Math Meet Tournament

Submitted by Thomas Brenner, Cloquet Middle School Principal

Cloquet High School:

- The CHS Theatre department performed Little Shop of Horrors last weekend in the CHS Auditorium.
- We had 25 students take the ASVAB at CHS on Nov. 16th.
- We're hosting an open house in collaboration with Upper Lakes Foods during parent/teacher conferences on December 6th – we plan to highlight our unique CDL partnership. Invites have been sent to board members.
- Winter Sports have started.
- We're already preparing for class registration for 24-25 – students will register the first week of February.
- We're hosting a Career and Tech Fair on 11/29.
- The Winter concert season is just around the corner –
 - December 4th 7:00 pm 7th grade band, 9th grade band
 - December 11th 7:00 pm 8th grade band and Senior High Band (with special guest Keith Secola)
 - December 18th 7:00 pm CMS and CHS Choir Concert

Submitted by Steve Battaglia, Cloquet High School Principal

Cloquet Area Alternative Education Programs:

CAAEP students and staff worked together to create a Phoenix, pun and pheast day. There was food preparation, a celebration circle for first quarter achievements, and opportunities for relationship building activities throughout the day.

Staff is working together on standards and standards based grading. Much discussion and a book study on Equity in Grading is taking place through out the school year.

The RP student ambassadors continue to share their experiences as ambassadors with other schools and districts who are interested in starting and growing their RP programs.

Submitted by Connie Hyde, CAAEP Principal

Community Education

School Readiness/ECFE

School Readiness 4-year-old classes went on a field trip to skate with the Wilderness - it went fantastic!

We had our Family Fun Sensory Night on Thursday, November 10th. 62 people attended with 35 of them being children Birth - Preschool. Staff set up Chocolate Oobleck, puzzle pieces wrapped in tinfoil, scented markers and playdough, light tables, sensory bag activity, shaving cream, painting with bells, activities in our gross motor room AND we even had live hissing cockroaches.





Adult Enrichment/Recreation

We finished our Basic dog obedience training class and Canine Good Citizen class last Wednesday. Fifteen completed the basic training and 8 passed the test for the advanced class.



Submitted by Erin Bates, Community Education Director

Business Department:

Candace Nelis, Business Manager, is on vacation.

American Indian Education Department:

Greetings School Board Members,

Our senior outing is scheduled for Dec. 1st. We will be attending a UMD Men’s basketball game. T-shirts, transportation and meal is provided. It is a nice opportunity to connect with the upcoming graduates to discuss credits, banquet planning and post-secondary options. Another trip in the works is our CMS AIE has gone “WILD”. An incentive based trip to promote increased attendance, positive behaviors and passing grades. The CMS AIE Classrooms are encouraging students to meet goals. Last year we had a very good turn out and seen a mid-year increase in attendance.



Makoons Club has been decorating moccasin drawings to display at the high school. Washington Elementary “Rocked their Moc’s” for national Rock your Moc’s day on November 15th. This is a good time to integrate cultural learning lessons into the classrooms while showing pride in Ojibwe traditions.

The boy’s drum at CHS and CMS performed songs for CHS students and Staff in observance of Native American

Heritage Month. Four Direction cookies were served and the weather couldn’t have been more perfect. Cloquet Schools AIE Royalty and other Cloquet student dancers have been invited to participate in NAHM Celebrations at East High School on Tuesday Nov. 21st, our START driver will provide transportation.

Submitted by Teresa Angell, American Indian Education
Building and Grounds

Brock Wilton, Building and Grounds Director, will attend in person.

Technology

T.J. Smith, IT Director, is on family leave.

Cloquet Public Schools
Detail Payment Register By Check
Fund Summary

Fund	Description	Total
01	General	\$186,416.04
03	Transportation	\$107.33
04	Community Services	\$2,279.11
05	Capital Expenditure	\$92,534.76
12	Activities	\$7,307.08
45	OPEB Irrevocable Trust	\$833.07
Report Total		\$289,477.39

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Check Register by Bank and Check

Batch	Co	Bank	Pymt No	Check No	Pay Type	Grp	Code	Rcd	Vendor	Print	Recon	Void	Currency	Pmt/Void Date	Amount
0094		2	102043	22132	Check	1	00350		ACTIVITY FUND-MIDDLE SCHOOL	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	410.00
			102044	22133	Check	1	00400		ACTIVITY FUND-SENIOR HIGH	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	425.00
			102063	22134	Check	1	10935		ARROWHEAD WATER	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	984.50
			102068	22135	Check	1	11104		BERGQUIST VIVIAN	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	10.00
			102098	22136	Check	1	5013		BERUBE, LISA	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	100.67
			102060	22137	Check	1	10877		BILDEN JOLI	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	149.81
			102109	22138	Check	1	6657		BIRCHBARK BOOKS	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	1,053.00
			102079	22139	Check	1	14850		BLICK ART MATERIALS	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	92.29
			102103	22140	Check	1	5724		BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	1,599.39
			102118	22141	Check	1	9026		BRENNER, JILL	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	260.80
			102107	22142	Check	1	6391		BROMAN, KIMBERLY	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	35.90
			102112	22143	Check	1	7378		BSN SPORTS LLC	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	3,272.13
			102045	22144	Check	1	08337		CARLTON COUNTY HUMAN SERVICE	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	190.00
			102122	22145	Check	1	9301		CARMENS RESTAURANT	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	748.00
			102124	22146	Check	1	9452		CARY, MICHAEL	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	101.25
			102067	22147	Check	1	11103		CICH ELINOR	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	19.96
			102051	22148	Check	1	10401		CITY OF CLOQUET	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	2,027.56
			102054	22149	Check	1	10480		CITY OF SCANLON	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	600.00
			102076	22150	Check	1	11550		COMMUNITY PRINTING	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	2,050.00
			102077	22151	Check	1	11620		COMPENSATION CONSULTANTS, LTI	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	1,876.00
			102110	22152	Check	1	7052		CURRICULUM ASSOCIATES LLC	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	787.50
			102116	22153	Check	1	8883		DAHL, SALES AMANDA	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	42.68
			102050	22154	Check	1	10312		DAVEY DARRELL	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	61.70
			102070	22155	Check	1	11106		EMBASSY SUITES ATTN BRENDAN S	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	1,301.38
			102114	22156	Check	1	8229		ESSE, DAVID	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	432.30
			102111	22157	Check	1	7346		EXCEPTIONAL OUTDOOR SERVICES	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	500.00
			102075	22158	Check	1	1148		FLINN SCIENTIFIC INC	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	351.26
			102090	22159	Check	1	3900		FRABONIS	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	501.35
			102062	22160	Check	1	10921		GAMST ANNA	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	39.11
			102064	22161	Check	1	10966		GENERAL LEATHERCRAFT MFG	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	191.71
			102128	22162	Check	1	9637		GIGLIOTTI BRENDA	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	152.34
			102082	22163	Check	1	21450		GOPHER SPORT	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	385.98
			102078	22164	Check	1	12271		GREAT LAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS I	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	523.37
			102061	22165	Check	1	10917		GYDESEN RACHEL	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	106.47
			102105	22166	Check	1	59450		HAGENS GLASS & PAINT	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	183.69
			102102	22167	Check	1	5684		HILLYARD INC MINNEAPOLIS	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	2,856.73
			102108	22168	Check	1	6448		HONEYWELL INTERNATIONAL INC	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	41,905.44
			102106	22169	Check	1	5992		HORIZON COMMERCIAL POOL SUPP	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	2,039.32
			102069	22170	Check	1	11105		HUNT CORP	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	194.85
			102120	22171	Check	1	9072		INNOVATIVE OFFICE SOLUTIONS LL	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	208.27
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			102095	22174	Check	1	4572		JLX FILTERS	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	799.20
			102059	22175	Check	1	10831		JOHNSON ANITA	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	48.34
			102080	22176	Check	1	1552		JOHNSON, DARRIN	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	8.94
			102049	22177	Check	1	10308		JUNCTION TIRE	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	107.33
			102086	22178	Check	1	29600		L & M SUPPLY	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	501.87
			102130	22179	Check	1	9792		LEAF	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	24.75
			102088	22180	Check	1	3602		LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT INC	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	713.28
			102072	22181	Check	1	11108		LOKKEN AUDREY	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	322.04
			102100	22182	Check	1	5506		MANTY, NANCY	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	9.54
			102071	22183	Check	1	11107		MARTIN HALEY	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	96.00
			102084	22184	Check	1	2692		MASSP	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	810.00
			102126	22185	Check	1	9531		MEDCO	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	63.75
			102087	22186	Check	1	34186		MENARDS	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	607.43
			102048	22187	Check	1	10246		MEYERS TONIA	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	60.90
			102119	22188	Check	1	9031		MICKELSON, LARAIN LYNN	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	25.00
			102053	22189	Check	1	10476		MOTZKO KELSEY	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	95.73
			102089	22190	Check	1	38850		NASCO	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	214.54
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			102121	22192	Check	1	9147		NORTHERN SPEECH SERVICES	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	452.87
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			102131	22198	Check	1	9882		PMA ASSET MGMT	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	833.07
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			102094	22201	Check	1	45540		QUILL CORPORATION	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	816.87
			102066	22202	Check	1	11102		RINGER KATHERINE	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	91.86
			102074	22203	Check	1	11110		RYAN RIANNA	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	291.57
			102096	22204	Check	1	48621		SCHMIDT, LEANNE	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	10.00
			102127	22205	Check	1	9545		SCHMITT DIRECTOR CENTER	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	827.90
			102097	22206	Check	1	48761		SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIRS	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	447.74
			102058	22207	Check	1	10758		SCHOLASTIC INC	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	126.25
			102083	22208	Check	1	2300		SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	33,732.87
			102091	22209	Check	1	3942		SIEVERT, RICK	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	239.52
			102115	22210	Check	1	8631		SQUIRES, WALDSPURGER & MACE I	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	212.00
			102099	22211	Check	1	51968		STACK BROTHERS MECHANICAL CC	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	342.50
			102073	22212	Check	1	11109		STEPHENSON PHILLIP	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	362.95
			102113	22213	Check	1	7518		SYCK, RODERICK	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	395.71

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			102117	22216	Check	1	8949		VANTAGE FINANCIAL	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	111,909.06
			102104	22217	Check	1	57280		WANGEN, DAVID	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	288.20
			102046	22218	Check	1	10082		WICK ANNETTE	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	51.96
			102123	22219	Check	1	9440		WICK, MICHELLE	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	38.50
			102065	22220	Check	1	11074		WOLF TRACK ENERGY	Yes	No	No	USD	11/28/2023	56,557.00
Bank Total: 2														\$289,477.39	
Report Total:														\$289,477.39	

Cloquet Public Schools
Detail Payment Register By Check
Fund Summary

Fund Description	Total
01 General	\$202.00
Report Total	\$202.00

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0094		2	102028	22122	Check	1	10302		PETTY CASH ATTN: CANDACE NELIS	Yes	No	No	USD	11/14/2023	202.00
Bank Total: 2															
Report Total:															
\$202.00															
\$202.00															

Cloquet Public Schools
Detail Payment Register By Check
Fund Summary

Fund	Description	Total
01	General	\$56,689.10
06	Building Construction	\$518,015.01
12	Activities	\$66.00
Report Total		\$574,770.11

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			102037	22124	Check	1	4073		CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS	Yes	No	No	USD	11/16/2023	2,968.47
			102040	22125	Check	1	8314		CPM EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM	Yes	No	No	USD	11/16/2023	616.00
			102035	22126	Check	1	10917		GYDESEN RACHEL	Yes	No	No	USD	11/16/2023	66.00
			102041	22127	Check	1	8843		KRAUS-ANDERSON CONSTRUCTION	Yes	No	No	USD	11/16/2023	518,015.01
			102036	22128	Check	1	36651		MINNESOTA POWER	Yes	No	No	USD	11/16/2023	45,291.44
			102039	22129	Check	1	6299		NELSON, BETH	Yes	No	No	USD	11/16/2023	108.73
			102038	22130	Check	1	40801		NORTHEAST SERVICE COOP	Yes	No	No	USD	11/16/2023	1,220.00
			102042	22131	Check	1	9288		RASMUSSEN, BRENDA	Yes	No	No	USD	11/16/2023	60.26
Bank Total: 2														\$574,770.11	
Report Total:														\$574,770.11	

FOOD SERVICE ALLOCATION
Year 2023-2024

CLOQUET SCHOOL DISTRICT

MONTH	INCOME					COSTS						TOTAL
	705-601 STUDENT BKST	701-606 ADULT FULL LUNCH	707-601 STUDENT ALA CARTE	707-606 ADULT ALA CARTE	701-601 TOTAL	707-170 SALARIES ALA CARTE	707-490 FOOD JUICE SNACKS	707-495 MILK EXTRA	705-490 FOOD BKST	705-495 MILK BKST	705-170 SALARIES BKST	
SEPT	\$0.00	\$1,118.70	\$2,328.60	\$43.25	\$3,490.55	\$1,973.50	\$1,060.95	\$105.50	\$13,683.80	\$2,631.50	\$2,911.68	\$22,366.93
OCT	\$0.00	\$1,831.50	\$2,436.50	\$53.75	\$4,321.75	\$1,981.55	\$1,184.92	\$126.75	\$16,993.60	\$3,268.00	\$3,235.20	\$26,790.02
NOV												
DEC												
JAN												
FEB												
MAR												
APR												
May-June												
TOTAL	\$0.00	\$2,950.20	\$4,765.10	\$97.00	\$7,812.30	\$3,955.05	\$2,245.87	\$232.25	\$30,677.40	\$5,899.50	\$6,146.88	\$49,156.95

TOATL COST PER MEAL \$3.47
 NET \$0.59
 MEALS 46,969 YTD - 86,804

TOTAL COST PER MEAL \$4.04
 NET \$0.03
 MEALS 33,910 YTD - 64,188

AVERAGE DAILY PARTICIPATION (ADP)

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	ADP ADULTS	ADP STUDENTS	PERCENTAGE ADP STUDENTS
SENIOR HIGH	4.2	354.25	48%
MIDDLE SCHOOL	3.75	547.75	76%
WASHINGTON	3	375.75	79%
CHRUCHILL	6.15	242.2	73%
QUEEN OF PEACE	0	90.8	94%
CAAEP	1.15	34.35	50%
LIL' LUMBERJACKS	0	0	0%
NLA	0.25	8.65	87%
OUR SAV. NLA	0	0	0%

	ADP ADULTS	ADP STUDENTS	PERCENTAGE ADP STUDENTS
SENIOR HIGH	9.32	249.74	35%
MIDDLE SCHOOL	3.74	477.27	65%
WASHINGTON	0.64	286.95	61%
CHURCHILL	0.11	232.23	66%
QUEEN OF PEACE	0	53.69	56%
CAAEP	0.85	40.48	61%
LIL' LUMBERJACKS	0	23.8	40%
NLA	0	11.11	73%
OUR SAV.NLA	0	4.79	85%

Totals 18.5 1654.75 68% 96% Total program
 enrollment 2668
 attendance 2446

TOTALS 14.66 1380.06 54% 71% Total Program
 enrollment 2731
 attendance 2538

FOOD SERVICE REPORT

MONTH	October	2023	MONTH TO DATE	2
TOTAL INCOME		\$190,512.42		
TOTAL COSTS		\$163,004.48		
NET		\$27,507.94		
TOTAL INCOME PER MEAL		\$4.06		
TOTAL COST PER MEAL		\$3.47		
NET		\$0.59		
MEALS		46,969	YTD =	86,804

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TOTALS	18.5	1654.75	68%	96% Total program
	enrollment			2668
	attendance			2446

MONTH October 2023 FOOD SERVICE REPORT

General Journal Entries Allocation of Ala Carte

INCOME		DEBIT	CREDIT
02-005-000-000-701-601	Sales of Lunches	\$4,321.75	
02-005-000-000-705-601	Student Breakfast		\$0.00
02-005-000-000-701-606	Adult Lunches		\$1,831.50
02-005-000-000-707-601	Student Ala Carte		\$2,436.50
02-005-000-000-707-606	Adult Ala Carte		\$53.75
EXPENSES			
02-005-770-000-707-1770	Salaries Ala Carte	\$1,981.55	
02-005-770-000-707-490	Food Other	\$1,184.92	
02-005-770-000-707-495	Milk Other	\$126.75	
02-005-770-000-705-490	Food Breakfast	\$16,993.60	
02-005-770-000-705-495	Milk Breakfast	\$3,268.00	
02-005-770-000-705-1770	Salaries Breakfast	\$3,235.20	
02-005-770-000-701-1770	Cooks Asst. Salaries		\$5,216.75
02-005-770-000-701-490	Food Type A		\$18,178.52
02-005-770-000-701-495	Milk Type A		\$3,394.75

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Michael Cary, Superintendent

FROM: Steve Battaglia, Principal Cloquet Senior High

DATE: November 10, 2023

RE: **ACT Prep Advisory**

I am recommending the employment Rodrick Syck to assist and administer the ACT Prep at the Cloquet High School for the 2023-2024 school year. There will be three (3) days: March 16, April 6, and April 20, 2024, from 9:00am to 4:00pm each day.

RATE OF PAY: \$35.38**

HOURS TO BE WORKED: 24 total hours

STARTING DATE: 03/16/2024

LENGTH OF CONTRACT: 2023-2024 School Year

POSTED: Yes

REASON FOR HIRE: Advisory for ACT Prep

(Employment is contingent upon Cloquet School Board approval)

** Rate listed is based on the 2021-2023 contract and will be updated with the new 2023-2025 Teachers' Master Agreement

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Michael Cary, Superintendent
FROM: Erin Bates, Community Education Director
DATE: Monday, November 20, 2023
RE: Re-Hiring of Katie Marie Nelson

I am recommending that Katie Nelson be re-employed as a Program Aide at Li'l Lumberjacks' Learning Center.

RATE OF PAY: \$14.43/hr
HOURS TO BE WORKED: Up to 40 hrs/wk
STARTING DATE: November 6, 2023
PROBATIONARY PERIOD: 1 year (11/6/24)
LENGTH OF CONTRACT: On-going
BUDGETED CURRENT YEAR: Yes
QUALIFIES FOR BENEFITS: After 90 days: As of February 6, 2024
2 personal
After 1 year: As of July 1, 2024
5 vacation

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Michael Cary, Superintendent
FROM: Erin Bates, Community Education Director
DATE: Monday, November 20, 2023
RE: Hiring of Aerial LaChappelle

I am recommending that Aerial LaChappelle be employed as a Program Aide at Li'l Lumberjacks' Learning Center.

RATE OF PAY: \$11.28/hr
HOURS TO BE WORKED: Up to 40 hrs/wk
STARTING DATE: November 20, 2023
PROBATIONARY PERIOD: 1 year (11/20/24)
LENGTH OF CONTRACT: On-going
BUDGETED CURRENT YEAR: Yes
QUALIFIES FOR BENEFITS: Does not qualify for vacation/personal leave



Northern Lights Academy Cooperative #6096-52
302 14th Street ~ Cloquet MN 55820
Office Phone ~ 218-878-3060
Fax ~ 218-878-3061

Barb Mackey, Asst. Special Education Director
bmackey@nlacoop.org

To: Dr. Michael Cary, Superintendent for the Cloquet Public Schools
From: Barb Mackey, Assistant Special Education Director for the Northern Lights Academy
Date: November 14, 2023
Re: Permission to Post for a 6.75 Paraprofessional due to the Resignation of a Current Paraprofessional

The Northern Lights Academy is requesting permission to post for a 6.75 Paraprofessional to fill the resignation of a current para who has resigned.

Please let me know if you have any questions.



MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Michael Cary, Superintendent

FROM: Steve Battaglia, Principal Cloquet High School

DATE: November 15, 2023

RE: **Permission to Post**

I am requesting permission to post for a Special Education Paraprofessional at Cloquet High School for the 2023-2024 school year. This request is due to a staff vacancy.



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Churchill Elementary School
515 Granite Street • 218-879-3308 • FAX-879-7034
Washington Elementary School
801 12th Street • 218-879-3369 • FAX-879-3360
Community Education
2001 Washington Avenue • 218-879-1261 • FAX-878-3013
Cloquet Area Alternative Education Programs
302 14th Street • 218-879-0115 • FAX-879-6941
<http://www.isd94.org>

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Michael Cary, Superintendent

FROM: David Wangen, Churchill Elementary Principal

DATE: November 22, 2023

RE: Permission to Post for 6.5 hrs./day Paraprofessional.

I am requesting permission to post for a 6.5 hrs./day Paraprofessional at Churchill Elementary. This is due to a staff termination.

(Employment is contingent upon Cloquet School Board approval.)



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Churchill Elementary School	515 Granite St	218.879.3308
Washington Elementary School	801 12th St.	218.879.3369
Cloquet Area Alternative Education	302 14th St	218.879.0115
Community Education	2001 Washington Ave	218.879.1261

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Michael Cary
Superintendent

FROM: Elizabeth Dohnansky
Foodservice Director

DATE: November 20, 2023

RE: **Staffing Adjustment**

Based on kitchen staffing needs I would like to make the following adjustment

CMS Cook Helper Lindsey Peterson 3.5 hr/day to 5.5 hr/day
Starting date November 28, 2023



MEMORANDUM

TO: Michael Cary, Superintendent

FROM: Steve Battaglia, Principal Cloquet High School

DATE: November 13, 2023

RE: **Rescinding 6th Period Stipends for second semester of the 2023-2024 School Year**

I am rescinding the 6th period stipend for Jeanna Aldridge at Cloquet High School for the 2nd semester. We were able to adjust sectioning for semester 2 which will eliminate the need for a 6th period assignment.

Linking school and community to provide life-long learning and success for all.

From the Desk of:

**Paul Riess
Activities Director
Cloquet Senior High School
1000 18th Street
Cloquet, MN 55720
Phone: 218-879-3393
Fax: 218-879-6494**

To: Mary Marciniak, Superintendent Cary, School Board
From: Paul Riess, Activities Director
Date: November 17th, 2023
Re: Adjustment to Extra-Services Coaching Contracts

I am recommending the following adjustments be made to the winter 2023-2024 extra-services coaching contracts

***Rescind Scott Arntson's extra service contract for \$1500 for girls hockey coach**

Scott was going to get paid out of the girls hockey activity account, but has decided he will no longer be coaching this winter.

If anyone has any questions regarding this recommendation, feel free to call me.

Thank you,

Paul Riess

2023-2024 Student Enrollment Report

5/25/2023	Dates	9/7	9/20	10/4	10/17	11/8	11/20												
CHURCHILL																			
23	Handicap Kindergarten	0	0	0	0	0	0												
21	Early Five/Dev Kindergarten	8	9	9	10	10	10												
60	Kindergarten - All Day	74	73	74	73	73	73												
71	First Grade	73	72	71	71	70	70												
46	Second Grade	71	72	72	72	73	73												
77	Third Grade	46	46	45	45	45	45												
75	Fourth Grade	83	83	83	83	83	83												
373	TOTAL CHURCHILL	355	355	354	354	354	354	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WASHINGTON																			
19	Handicap Kindergarten	0	0	0	0	0	0												
83	Kindergarten - All Day	94	91	92	92	92	92												
106	First Grade	108	107	108	109	110	112												
86	Second Grade	109	109	109	109	110	111												
100	Third Grade	88	89	89	88	88	88												
102	Fourth Grade	105	105	105	105	106	106												
496	TOTAL WASHINGTON	504	501	503	503	506	509	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
869	TOTAL ELEMENTARY	859	856	857	857	860	863	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Open Enrollment-Elementary																		
MIDDLE SCHOOL																			
183	Fifth Grade	185	181	181	183	185	185												
200	Sixth Grade	189	188	187	186	187	185												
190	Seventh Grade	206	204	203	204	203	202												
210	Eighth Grade	198	197	196	194	197	196												
783	TOTAL MIDDLE SCHOOL	778	770	767	767	772	768	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Open Enrollment-CMS																		
HIGH SCHOOL																			
191	Ninth Grade	221	219	218	219	216	216												
200	Tenth Grade	193	192	191	191	190	189												
192	Eleventh Grade	206	199	197	195	189	190												
176	Twelfth Grade	197	196	197	197	193	191												
759	TOTAL HIGH SCHOOL	817	806	803	802	788	786	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Open Enrollment-CHS																		
2411	TOTAL HK-12	2454	2432	2427	2426	2420	2417	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL OPEN ENROLLMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAAEP- FULL-TIME																			
92	High School (grades 9-12)	85	90	90	88	89	91												
11	Junior High (grades 6-8)	4	4	4	2	1	1												
103	TOTAL CAAEP-Full-Time	89	94	94	90	90	92	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
** CAAEP - PART-TIME																			
	EDHS																		
	Extended Programming																		
	Targeted Services																		
2514	GRAND TOTAL	2543	2526	2521	2516	2510	2509	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

** NOT included in totals.



QUEEN OF PEACE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

WHERE FAITH AND KNOWLEDGE MEET

November 14, 2023

Dr. Michael Cary
Cloquet Superintendent
302 - 14th Street
Cloquet, MN 55720

Dear Dr. Michael Cary,

Queen of Peace Catholic School is requesting a 2-year agreement beginning November 15, 2023 with your school district, per the Minnesota State High School League guidelines (MSHSL BYLAW 105.00), for our middle school students to be able to participate in sports for the following athletic programs:

- Swimming
- Tennis
- Golf
- Alpine Skiing
- Nordic Skiing
- Cross-Country
- Hockey
- Baseball
- Volleyball
- Basketball
- Track
- Soccer
- Wrestling

We have appreciated the many ways in which our schools have partnered for over 100 years to provide opportunities for students and support the families in our community. Thank you so much for working with our school to provide athletic opportunities for our middle school students, many of whom will become your students when they leave Queen of Peace.

Please let us know if you have any questions, thoughts, or concerns. You can reach me at principal@queenofpeaceschool.org or 218-879-8516. Thank you and God bless you in the new school year!

Sincerely,

Father Nick Nelson, President
Queen of Peace Catholic School

Approved by: _____ Date: _____
Superintendent 35

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Sent: Thursday, November 16, 2023 4:21 PM
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Subject: National ESEA Distinguished School Nomination - Washington Elementary

Dear Principal Mondati,

It is with great excitement that I write to share we have put forward a nomination to the National Association of ESEA State Program Administrators (NAESPA) for Washington Elementary to be recognized as a National ESEA Distinguished School for your efforts in serving American Indian students. **NAESPA will be contacting you shortly about this nomination and a letter is forthcoming with additional information.**

A project of NAESPA, the National ESEA Distinguished Schools Program publicly recognizes qualifying federally funded schools for the outstanding academic achievements of their students. It highlights the efforts of schools across the country making significant improvements for their students. The program has been in place since 1996, showcasing the success of hundreds of schools in one of three categories:

- Category 1: Exceptional student performance and academic growth, as determined by each state
- Category 2: Closing the achievement gap between student groups, as determined by each state
- Category 3: Excellence in serving special populations of students

NAESPA implements the National ESEA Distinguished Schools Program to highlight selected schools that have successfully used their Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Title funds to improve the education for all students. We are excited about Washington Elementary School being recognized as a Category 3 school nationally for their hard work and dedication to school improvement.

Specifically, Washington Elementary was selected for success in serving American Indian students as is highlighted by the achievement data of this student group. Over twenty-three percent of the students enrolled at Washington Elementary are American Indian and their growth far outpaces statewide growth on the 2023 Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment (MCA) in both reading and math. Nearly 87% of this student group showed reading progress and 82.6% showed math progress on the 2023 MCA. Additionally, 59.18% of the American Indian student group at Washington Elementary is proficient in mathematics, compared to the statewide average of 42.78% and the statewide average for this student group of 23.6%. In reading, 46.93% of American Indian students at Washington Elementary are proficient in reading. The statewide average proficiency in reading is 47.61% and the statewide average proficiency for this student group is 31.9%.

More information about all National ESEA Distinguished Schools is available on the ESEA Network website: <https://www.eseanetwork.org/ds>. It is my hope your team can participate in the hybrid National ESEA Conference, February 7-10, 2024 in Portland, OR and be honored as a recipient of this prestigious award.

Congratulations!

Alicia

Alicia Waeffler (she/her)

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November 15, 2023

Dear Dr. Cary and Member of the ISD #94 School Board:

Once again, we are in the planning stages of the 2024 All Night Graduation Party. This event will take place on Friday, May 24, 2024, and will continue into the morning hours of Saturday, May 25, 2024.

We are asking for assistance from our school district in the preparation and completion of the All Night Grad Party. The services we ask of you are the same as requested in previous years and include:

- Senior High School facilities include, but not limited to the following: gyms {new, old large, old small), kitchen/cafeteria, auditorium, locker rooms, classrooms, staff lounge, concessions, lobby area, etc.
- Senior High custodial services
- Insurance for the evening
- Postage
- Copying Print Shop services
- Secretarial services

Your support in the past has been greatly appreciated and we hope we can count on your continuing support this year.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

Sincerely,

Lindsay Smith
2024 All Night Graduation Party Co-Chair

Stefanie Gunelson
2024 All Night Graduation Party Co-Chair