

## **Education Committee - Regular School Board Meeting**

Duluth Public Schools, ISD 709

Agenda

Tuesday, November 15, 2011

UnitedHealth Group Building

4316 Rice Lake Road

Suite 108

Duluth, MN 55811

6:30 PM

### **1. Informational Items**

#### **A. Informational Presentations**

##### **1) Closed Campus Discussion**

There was discussion regarding the possibility of having a closed campus during lunch periods at Denfeld and East High Schools. Laurie Knapp and Ed Crawford were present to give input during this discussion.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Duluth School Board receive this item as informational.

##### **2) High School Credit Requirement Overview and Discussion**

Assistant Superintendent Bill Gronseth presented an overview of current District and State high school credit requirements with discussion following regarding the possibility of increasing the high school credit requirements for the Duluth Public Schools.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Duluth School Board receive this item as informational.

#### **B. Grant Applications**

##### **1) Air Force Association JROTC Grant Application**

Susan Abrahamson has applied for an Air Force Association JROTC grant in the amount of \$250. If awarded funds will be used to enrich Duluth Public Schools sixth grade students' aviation experience and understanding of aerospace principles through a collaboration with the Duluth Aviation Institute to develop the Path to Aviation Program, which was piloted during the 2010-11 School year at Woodland Middle School.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Duluth School Board receive this item as informational.

### **2. Action Items**

#### **A. Presentation Items Requiring Approval**

1) Selecting a Name for the New Eastern Middle School

Discussion continued regarding the naming of the New Eastern Middle School with a possible vote to select a name from the final proposed names.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Duluth School Board receive and accept the proposed names for the new Eastern Middle School and select a name from the final proposed names.

B. Resolution E-11-11-2942 - Acceptance of Grant Awards to Duluth Public Schools

Attached is Resolution E-11-11-2942 - Acceptance of Grant Awards to Duluth Public Schools, to accept and approve grant awards for the following organizations:

MN State High School League  
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Northland Foundation

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Duluth School Board approve Resolution E-11-11-2942 - Acceptance of Grant Awards to Duluth Public Schools.

C. Extended Trip Requests

The following extended trip requests are submitted for approval:

Nordic Ski Trip to West Yellowstone - According to MSHSL Bylaw 411, if a member school's League-sponsored athletic team requests out-of-state travel for a practice or a scrimmage for the varsity, junior varsity, or "B" squad teams, the School Board must review the itinerary, review the financial aspect of the trip, verify that that the trip is in compliance with Title IX relative to travel opportunities for each gender, and approve the travel at a regularly scheduled school board meeting.

Bonnie Fuller-Kask , Head Coach for East's Nordic Ski Team, is requesting approval to travel to West Yellowstone with members of East High School's Nordic Ski Team from November 18-26, 2011 and has provided the attached information required by the MSHSL. All expenses will be paid with student fees. Both male and female students will have the opportunity to participate in this trip.

Seven eleventh and twelfth grade HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America) students will be traveling to the Radisson Plaza Hotel/Target Conference Center in Minneapolis, Minnesota on November 9-10, 2011 to attend the HOSA Fall Delegate Assembly Leadership Conference. The total cost of this trip is \$863 and will be funded through student fees, fund raising activities, and grant funds.

Morgan Park Middle School School seventh grade students will be traveling to Thunder Bay, Canada from May 30, 2012 through June 1, 2012. The purpose of this trip is for the students to experience a different culture, meet their pen pals, and get a taste of the college experience. The cost of this trip is \$220 per student and will be funded with

student fees.

East High School Band students will be traveling to Orlando, Florida from April 5, 2012 to April 11, 2012 to perform at Disney locations and attend recording and movie production workshops. The cost of this trip is \$750 per student and will be funded with student fees.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Duluth School Board accept and approve this item.

D. Diplomas

The following students have completed all high school requirements and should be awarded a diploma:

Holly Cain - October 7, 2011

Jesse Akervik - June 7, 2011

Keith Graham - August 15, 2011

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Duluth School Board approve the above diploma awards.