

Regular Meeting of the St. Paul Board of Education

7:30 PM

November 10, 2014

Board Room, St. Paul Public School

The St. Paul School Board met in regular session on November 10, 2014 at 7:30 PM. The following board members were in attendance: Daryl Anderson: Present, Suzan DeCamp: Present, Shelly Hueftle: Present, Marty Mrkvicka: Present, Dan Scheer: Present, Kelvin Smith: Present.

The meeting was called to order at 7:31pm.

President Anderson noted that notice of the meeting was published in the Phonograph Herald.

President Anderson noted that the Open Meetings Law is posted on the wall of the meeting room.

President Anderson asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the previous meeting. None were made, and the minutes were declared approved.

The motion to approve the bills as presented by Superintendent Poppert, with Smith abstaining from Item 48, passed with a motion by Suzan DeCamp and a second by Shelly Hueftle.

Anderson: Yea, DeCamp: Yea, Hueftle: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Smith: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to pay the Building Maintenance Fund bill to Citizen's Bank for monthly loan payment, for \$2,971.57 passed with a motion by Suzan DeCamp and a second by Shelly Hueftle.

Anderson: Yea, DeCamp: Yea, Hueftle: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Smith: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to approve paying the bills from CEI for replacing the intercom system and speakers, for \$20,987.48, passed with a motion by Kelvin Smith and a second by Marty Mrkvicka.

Anderson: Yea, DeCamp: Yea, Hueftle: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Smith: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

The Superintendent presented the Financial Report.

There were no communications from the public.

Mrs. Brenda Starkey was present to update the Board regarding TeamMates. The goal of having 50 TeamMates matches has been surpassed, as there are 53 current matches. Allyson Horne was present to discuss the Strengths-based program implemented by TeamMates.

Motion to move Item 9B to later in the meetings, as the auditors have not arrived due to hazardous road conditions, passed with a motion by Suzan DeCamp and a second by Kelvin Smith.

Anderson: Yea, DeCamp: Yea, Hueftle: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Smith: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Representatives of Dana F. Cole and Company were present at 8:45pm to discuss the annual audit with the Board. All categories were found to be in order, with the exception of an issue that resulted from the refinancing of the bond.

A motion to accept the resignation of Ashley Kozeal, paraeducator, passed with a motion by Shelly Hueftle and a second by Kelvin Smith.

Anderson: Yea, DeCamp: Yea, Hueftle: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Smith: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

A motion to ratify a classified contract for Patricia Berggren, paraeducator passed with a motion by Marty Mrkvicka and a second by Suzan DeCamp.

Anderson: Yea, DeCamp: Yea, Hueftle: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Smith: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

A motion to approve the bid from Sysco for a new Proofer for the kitchen at a cost of \$1,799.00, passed with a motion by Kelvin Smith and a second by Suzan DeCamp.

Anderson: Yea, DeCamp: Yea, Hueftle: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Smith: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to accept the bid for carpeting in 4 classrooms, at a cost of \$7166.19, from Lukasiewicz Furniture, passed with a motion by Suzan DeCamp and a second by Marty Mrkvicka.

Anderson: Yea, DeCamp: Yea, Hueftle: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Abstain (With Conflict), Smith: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

The carpeting will decrease the echoing in the classrooms that had the ceiling tile removed during fire sprinkler project.

Motion to accept the resignation of Darla Voigt from the Library Board passed with a motion by Shelly Hueftle and a second by Marty Mrkvicka.

Anderson: Yea, DeCamp: Yea, Hueftle: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Smith: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to appoint Janet Latta to the Library Board passed with a motion by Marty Mrkvicka and a second by Suzan DeCamp.

Anderson: Yea, DeCamp: Yea, Hueftle: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Smith: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

There are 3 school appointees to the Library Board.

The motion to approve Policy 606.06 passed with a motion by Suzan DeCamp and a second by Shelly Hueftle.

Anderson: Yea, DeCamp: Yea, Hueftle: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Smith: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

There was a typographical error on the agenda. The correct policy to be approved is 606.06.

The Board reviewed the 700 section of the Policy Manual. Revisions will be made as appropriate.

Motion to move the Superintendent evaluation to the end of the meeting, passed with a motion by Kelvin Smith and a second by Shelly Hueftle.

Anderson: Yea, DeCamp: Yea, Hueftle: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Smith: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

In the principal's report, Mrs. Paider indicated that Ms. Bonnie, Reading Coordinator, was present to educate staff and evaluate implementation of the reading program. Phonemic awareness kits were provided to the local preschools, along with training in the use of the kits. Ongoing support will be provided to the preschools. Mrs. Hagen stated that the district's reading coordinators have been providing support to the junior high reading teachers, in addition to the elementary teachers. Some staff plan to attend training on mental health issues, as there seems to be a growing number of students in need of these services. Behavioral data and inservice agendas were distributed to the Board. The school's state report card results were briefly discussed.

A grant is available to help fund bus purchases. The Board will consider applying for one next year, when a new bus may be purchased.

Supt. Poppert distributed information to the Board on the ways that public gym use is allowed and monitored in other area schools.

Arrangements for transportation to State Conference were made.

The Board reviewed the Superintendent's Evaluation with Mr. Poppert.

The board calendar was reviewed.

Motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing teacher salary negotiations, to protect the public interest, passed with a motion by Kelvin Smith and a second by Shelly Hueftle.

Anderson: Yea, DeCamp: Yea, Hueftle: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Smith: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

President Anderson restated the motion and indicated that only teacher salary negotiations would be discussed. The Board entered executive session at 10:31pm. The Board came out of executive session at 12:10am. No action was taken.

The meeting adjourned at 12:12am.

The meeting was adjourned at _____.

Shelly Harrahill

Secretary