

BENTON-STEARNES EDUCATION DISTRICT #6383
REGULAR BOARD MINUTES
Wednesday, August 15, 2018

Board Members Present: Anderson (Foley), Higgins (Holdingford),
 Solarz (Sauk Rapids/Rice) Waldorf (Kimball)
 Wesenberg (Rocori)

Others Present: Kelvington (Rocori) Neubauer (Foley),
 Wagner (Kimball)
 Evenson and Jepsen

Absent: Nies (Sartell/St. Stephen), Schwiebert (Sartell/St. Stephen),
 Sinclair (Sauk Rapids/Rice), Swenson (Holdingford)

There was a motion by Foley, seconded by Kimball to approve the agenda with the addition of the City of Sauk Rapids Notice of a Public Hearing for water/sewer/sidewalk improvements and two additions to the Director's report; ACES Conference and Restrictive Procedures update. The motion was unanimously approved.

There was a motion by Holdingford, seconded by Kimball to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was unanimously approved.

- a. Approval of June 20, 2018 board minutes.
- b. Payment of bills, including checks, wire transfers numbered 54553-54732 and 12689-12696.
- c. Electronic funds transfers (EFT).
- d. June 2018 Bank Reconciliation.
- e. July 2018 Bank Reconciliation.
- f. July 2018 Budget to Actual Comparison Report.
- g. Approval of resignation, Abby Lyon, Voyagers Intake Facilitator, effective June 30, 2018.
- h. Approval of resignation of Diane Dukowitz, Voyagers Paraprofessional, effective August 15, 2018.
- i. Approval of reduction in contract, Joyce Erdman, Early Intervention Teacher, 1.0 FTE to .90 FTE, effective beginning of the 2018-2019 school year.
- j. Approval of increase in contract, Amy Feddema, Early Intervention Teacher, .60 FTE +5 days to .70 FTE+5 days, effective beginning of the 2018-2019 school year.
- k. Approval of hire, Preschool Screener, Anita Gruehaugen, \$23.29/hour, effective July 23, 2018.
- l. Approval of hire, Preschool Screener, Nicole Couch, \$23.29/hour, effective July 26, 2018.
- m. Approval of hire, Christopher Brown, Voyagers New Frontiers Teacher, 1.0 FTE, BA Step 3, effective August 27, 2018.
- n. Approval of hire, Diane Dukowitz, Voyagers Teacher, 1.0 FTE, BA 15 Step 3, effective August 27, 2018.
- o. Approval of hire, Lorie Duevel, Voyagers New Frontiers Teacher, 1.0 FTE, MA 15 Step 14, effective August 27, 2018.
- p. Approval of hire, Holly Leisenheimer, Voyagers Teacher, 1.0 FTE, BA Step 1, effective August 27, 2018.

- q. Approval of lane change, Stacy Kurth, Voyagers Teacher from BA to BA 15, effective August 27, 2018.
- r. Approval of hire, Emily Johannes, Voyagers Licensed Social Worker, 1.0 FTE, MA Step 7, effective December 3, 2018.

There was a motion by Holdingford, seconded by Rocori to approve the MREA Annual Membership for 2018-2019, annual fee is \$916.67. The motion was unanimously approved.

There was a motion by Foley, seconded by Holdingford to approve a transfer from the General Fund to the Food Service Fund to cover the deficit of \$5,746.25 for the 2017-2018 school year. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Negotiation Committee came to a tentative agreement on August 7th with the Licensed Staff for the 2017-2019 Contract. Total package is 7.26% which includes increases in salary matrix for 17-18 of 2.70% and 2.61% for 18-19, \$250 increase in Single and \$500 in Family Health Insurance Employer contributions for 18-19. Union will vote the week of August 27th and if approved will come to board in September for approval.

There was a discussion on the 2018-2019 SCTCC Contract for leased space for the 18-21 program. The monthly lease cost is estimated to be \$2,869.18 per month. There are still a few items that need to be clarified in the lease. Approval of the lease is tabled until the September board meeting.

A Public Hearing Notice was received from the City of Sauk Rapids. The city is holding a meeting on August 27th to discuss proposed property improvements near our Voyagers building which would result in property assessments. More information will be shared after the August 27th meeting.

Director and Assistant Director Reports

- a. Summer updates to facilities
- b. Annual special education meetings in districts
- c. BSED website resources
- d. Executive Director evaluation
- e. MDE School Safety Grant
- f. ACES conference
- g. Restrictive procedures -updated reports distributed

There was a motion by Holdingford, seconded by Kimball to adjourn the regular board meeting at 4:05 p.m. The motion was unanimously approved.

The next Regular meeting of the Education District Board of Directors will be on September 19, 2018 at 3:30 p.m. The minutes are not official until reviewed and approved by the Benton Stearns Education Board.