

JANUARY 28, 2021

MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2184, ROCK COUNTY, LUVERNE, MINNESOTA. A regular meeting of the Board of Education, ISD #2184, was held in the District Office and also via Zoom on January 28, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

The following members were present: Katie Baustian, Jodi Bosch, Eric Hartman, Tim Jarchow, Reva Sehr, Jeff Stratton and David Wrigg. Also present: Craig Oftedahl, Marlene Mann, Jason Phelps, Stacy Gillette, Becky Rahm, Amy Sahly, April Wallace, Ann Rigney, Lloyd Hemme, and Lori Sorenson – Rock County Star Herald.

Chairperson Jodi Bosch called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion made by Baustian, second by Jarchow, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Administrative reports were given.

Motion made by Sehr, second by Hartman, to approve the December 17, 2020, School Board minutes as presented. Motion unanimously carried. It was noted that Donations Received will be a recurring item on the consent agenda. There were no donations received this month.

Superintendent Oftedahl extended the Oath of Office to Tim Jarchow, Jeff Stratton and David Wrigg. Election of officers was held. Motion made by Bosch, second by Baustian, to nominate Eric Hartman for Chairperson. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Baustian, second by Sehr, to nominate Tim Jarchow for Vice-Chairperson. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Baustian, second by Stratton, to nominate Reva Sehr as Clerk. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Bosch, second by Wrigg, to nominate Katie Baustian as Treasurer. Motion unanimously carried. Eric Hartman assumed the Chairperson duties at this time.

Business Manager Marlene Mann reviewed the school district bills with the School Board. She noted that we are adjusting how bills are paid so this month's report includes both the December and January payrolls as well as a bond principal and interest payments. Motion made by Baustian, second by Jarchow, to accept the district bills as presented in the amount of \$4,075,714.88; building project bills in the amount of \$558,327.67; and student activity bills in the amount of \$2,229.00. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Bosch, second by Sehr, to receive the student activity report showing the balances as of December 31, 2020. Motion unanimously carried.

Committee Assignments for 2021 were discussed and reviewed. Motion made by Baustian, second by Bosch, to approve the revised committee assignments. Motion unanimously carried.

JANUARY 28, 2021, SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES CONTINUED

Motion made by Member Bosch, second by Member Jarchow, to adopt the following:

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO MAKE  
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REDUCTIONS IN PROGRAMS AND POSITIONS  
AND REASONS THEREFORE

WHEREAS, the financial condition of the School District dictates that the School Board must reduced expenditures, and,

WHEREAS, there has been a reduction in student enrollment, and

WHEREAS, this (reduction of expenditures) and (decrease in student enrollment) must include discontinuance of positions and discontinuance or curtailment of programs, and,

WHEREAS, a determination must be made as to which teachers' contract must be terminated and not renewed and which teachers may be placed on unrequested leave of absence without pay or fringe benefits in effecting discontinuance of positions;

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2184, as follows:

That the School Board hereby directs the Superintendent of Schools and administration to consider the discontinuance of programs or positions (to effectuate economies in the School District and reduce expenditures) and, (as a result of reduction in enrollment), make recommendations to the School Board for discontinuance of programs, curtailment of programs, discontinuance of positions or curtailment of positions.

Motion unanimously carried.

The School Board reviewed the listing of District owned vehicles. Motion made by Baustian, second by Sehr, to authorize the purchase of one suburban with the trade-in of suburban S-11. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Bosch, second by Stratton, to set March 4, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. to accept bids for EFIS repair/maintenance. EFIS is the material on the outside walls of the Elementary gymnasium. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Baustian, second by Sehr, to request proposals for group health insurance coverage to be received by March 29, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. Motion unanimously carried.

Member Baustian introduced the motion and Member Jarchow seconded the motion to approve the following:

RESOLUTION FOR USAGE OF COOPERATION AND COMBINATION FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Luverne Public Schools is in the process of completing a construction project with remodel areas and new construction,

WHEREAS, the Luverne Public Schools has a committed cooperation and combination fund, a reserved fund, that originally was reserved for technology with the consolidation of the Magnolia School District and the Luverne School District,

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Luverne School District is seeking a flooring upgrade in the new construction area utilizing terrazzo flooring,

JANUARY 28, 2021, SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES CONTINUED

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Independent School District #2184, Luverne, Minnesota, to designate funds from the Cooperation and Combination committee fund to fully upgrade the terrazzo floor project in the current construction project.

Members voting in favor of stated resolution: Jarchow, Baustian, Hartman, Bosch, Sehr, Stratton and Wrigg; members voting against stated resolution: none; motion was unanimously carried.

Motion made by Bosch, second by Sehr, to approve the Custodial Seniority List as presented. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Sehr, second by Bosch, to approve the Paraprofessional/Food Service/Administrative Assistant Seniority List as presented. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Baustian, second by Jarchow, to approve the Alternative School Seniority List as presented. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Bosch, second by Sehr, to approve the ECFE/Learning Readiness/Discovery Time Seniority List as presented. Motion unanimously carried. Motion made by Baustian, second by Sehr, to approve the Licensed Staff Preliminary Seniority List as presented. It was noted this list will be posted for 30 days for the staff to review. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Bosch, second by Sehr, to approve a medical leave of absence for Katie Mostad, sixth grade teacher, beginning January 21, 2021, for approximately 4 weeks. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Baustian, second by Wrigg, to approve the hiring of Jon Schomacker as Summer Recreation Director for a salary of \$9,200.00. This reflects a \$200 increase from last year. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made by Sehr, second by Stratton, to approve the hiring of Amy Chapa as long-term substitute teacher for Katie Mostad, Sixth Grade Teacher. Motion unanimously carried.

There were no committee reports. It was noted the Technology Committee will be meeting via zoom on February 4. The upcoming meeting dates were reviewed.

Motion made by Bosch, second by Sehr, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried.

Dated: January 28, 2021

---

Reva Sehr, Clerk