



**Independent School District #883
Regular School Board Meeting
February 13, 2012**

Chair Botten called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Members Anderson, Botten, Grimm, Smith and Tryon were present. Member Abrahamson was absent. Also present were Principals Ryan Jensen, Marie Flanary, and Brenda Petersmeyer, Business Manager Sandy Strozyk and Superintendent Paul Durand.

Tryon motioned to approve the agenda. Grimm seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Recognition

- **Activities Hall of Fame**-The Board recognized the first class of Activities Hall of Fame inductees for the year 2012-2013: Kari Bakker-athlete; Miles Johnson-former football coach and RHS teacher; John Klinger-former music teacher and RHS band director; and Joel Miller-former fine arts student in drama and music.
- **Athena Award**-The Board recognized senior Shannon Ritten for being named this year's recipient of the Athena Award for an outstanding female athlete from a high school that is based on excellence in individual sports or for participation and accomplishments in team sports.
- **Staff Talent Show**-The Board recognized Sandy Strozyk, as director of the first annual staff talent show, and the Talent Show team for their outstanding work in organizing and producing the event on February 4.
- **Continental Math League**-The Board congratulated eighth graders Adam Karvonen and Sam Doboszanski for earning perfect scores at their last Continental Math League meet.
- **District Spelling Bee**-The Board congratulated sixth grader Elise Higgins who won the District Spelling Bee on January 31 and will compete at the regional competition of Wednesday, February 15. Congratulations also to Madeline Shoher (grade 8) who finished in second place and Madelyn Hudlow (grade 6) who finished third.
- **Artist in Residence**-The Board recognized Jeanne VanDrasek for her work and collaboration with the local public library to bring author and illustrator Gary Harbo to REAMS in February.

Public Comments

LeAnn Sather, Greenfield resident, spoke in support of the upcoming bond election, specifically on the artificial turf field.

Michelle Byers, Rockford resident, spoke in support of the upcoming bond election.

Steve Yakesh, Rockford resident, spoke in favor of the upcoming bond election.

Consent Items

Grimm motioned, seconded by Tryon, to approve the following consent items:

- Minutes of the Organization Meeting on January 5, 2012
- Minutes of the Regular Meeting-January 9, 2012
- Minutes of the Work Session-January 30, 2012

Personnel:

1. Katherine Seig, hire as paraprofessional, starting 1-18-12
2. Chris Zetah, resignation at IT Technician, effective 2-21-12

3. Coaches-Tate Harstad, for C-Squad Baseball; Jason Calder, for 7th Grade Softball; Teresa Campbell, for 7th/8th Grade Softball.
- Bills and Wire Transfers:

General Fund	\$	473,915.18
Food Service	\$	53,699.56
Community Services	\$	39,320.58
Debt Service	\$	00.00
Agency Fund	\$	7,892.14
Total	\$	575,258.14

Wire Transfers totaling \$ 2,163,729.38
 - Open Enrollments
 1. Student in Grade 9, open enrolled to ISD 286
 2. Student in Grade 5, open enrolled to ISD 279
 3. Student in Grade 11, open enrolled from ISD 877
 4. Student in Grade 4, open enrolled from ISD 877
 5. Student in Grade 7, open enrolled from ISD 877
 - Donations from Hanover Athletic Association, Morcon Construction, Hanover Lions, Wells Fargo Educational Matching Gift Program, General Mills Box Tops for Education, Kemps Nickels for Schools and Lifetouch.

Motion passed unanimously.

High Student Achievement

Principal Petersmeyer updated the board on February “I Love to Read” month, Fifth Grade Spotlight Concert, NorthWest Suburban Integration School District Program evaluation, WITNESS Program, Math and Reading night, Mars Rover Engineer Week, and upcoming PIE Carnival and Kindergarten Roundup.

Principal Flanary reported the seventh grade University of Minnesota library visit, the Baker Park field experience, the RMS student lock-in, seventh grade science experiment and upcoming Battle of the Books, History Day and RMS Musical.

Principal Jensen gave a report on the annual Snow Week events, parent-teacher conferences, One-Act Play, RHS Math department ‘flipped’ classroom review, and upcoming Battle of the Books, and 2012-13 course registration.

Director of Teaching and Learning Ave Beaupre gave report on the Byron High School site visit, QComp, Integration planning, Civil Rights Audit, SES applications, assessments, ASISD grant, summer staff development, gifted and talented program, History Day and Battle of the Books. She also discussed the Honorary Diploma/Distinguished Graduate program. The program has now joined with the Activities Hall of Fame, to be called the Tradition of Excellence program. The recipients this year’s include Honorary Diploma Erica Cates and Distinguished Graduate Helen Scharber, Ph.D. (Class of 1999). The Board will look to have action of these names at the next Board meeting.

Superintendent Durand gave a written report to the Board on the various meetings, EXCEL parent meeting, school events, Storyteller DVD work, Staff Talent show, area superintendent’s meetings and upcoming events.

Community Ed Director Marie Flanary reported on the Advisory Council meeting and the Community Expo on March 17. Launching Pad Preschool Kickoff is on February 16.

Fiscal Responsibility

Business Manager Strozyk reported on the business office updates, building and grounds, recycling program, and food service.

Grimm motioned to approve the Hennepin County SHIP 2.0 grant as presented. Tryon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Anderson motioned to approve the first and final reading of the following policies:

707 Transportation of Public School Students

709R Student Transportation Safety Policy.

712 Video Surveillance Other Than on Buses

Non-Substantive Changes

708 Transportation of Nonpublic School Students

Grimm seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Tryon motioned to approve the revision to the 2012-2013 academic calendar as presented. This change adds one more student contact and staff day (November 21, 2012) to the previously board-approved calendar. Smith seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The individual board members gave reports on their committee assignments.

Announcements

There will be a work session on Monday, February 27, 2012 at 6:30 PM in the school board room to canvass the special election.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Monday, March 19, 2012 at 6:30 PM in Rockford Middle School Board Room.

Anderson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 PM, seconded by Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

Kathy Ehlers
Recorder

Chuck Tryon
Clerk