



**Independent School District #883
Regular School Board Meeting
October 17, 2011**

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

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

Recognition

- **2011 Deep Portage**--The board recognized the sixth grade team for providing another great experience for students attending Deep Portage, October 3-5.
- **Galaxy Kids Garden Project**--The board recognized Judy Setter for her hard work and dedication toward to Galaxy Kids Program garden project.
- **Galaxy Kids Donation**--The board recognizes Jan and Rick Connelly for their donation of educational games, learning to write alphabet materials and coloring pages.
- **Rockee**--The board thanked the two volunteers who have served as Rockee, being present at the home football games, including Homecoming, attending the new student picnic, attending a home volleyball and a home boys and girls soccer game.
- **Art Extension**--The board recognized Cheri Weber for creating an amazing additional Art experience for grades 1-5 through Art Extension at REAMS.
- **Homecoming King and Queen**--The board recognized this year's Homecoming King, Adam Jakubowski, and Queen, Madison Comb.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Consent Items

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

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting-September 19, 2011
- Minutes of the Work Session-October 3, 2011
- Personnel:
 1. Shea Roskowiak, hire as para educator
 2. Tamra Flanigan, hire as long-term substitute for Elizabeth Hallermann
 3. Kim Baird, hire as long-term substitute for Allison Rothstein
 4. Michelle Besemann, hire as JV Girls Basketball Coach
 5. Tucker Reeck, hire as JV Boys Basketball Coach
- Bills and Wire Transfers:

General Fund	\$	688,109.18
Food Service	\$	14,175.59
Community Services	\$	9,214.99
Debt Service	\$	0.00
Agency Fund	\$	5,573.80
Total	\$	717,073.56
Wire Transfers totaling	\$	400,000
- Open Enrollments
 1. Student in Grade 11, open enrolled to ISD 281
 2. Student in Grade 2, open enrolled to ISD 879
 3. Student in Grade 5, open enrolled to ISD 879

4. Student in Grade K, open enrolled from ISD 728
 5. Student in Grade 3, open enrolled from ISD 877
 6. Student in Grade 5, open enrolled from ISD 877
- Donations from Showhouse Productions, Wells Fargo Community Support Program, Alerus Financial-Refer a Friend, J & R Connelly, and Target Take Charge of Education.
 - Approval of the Student Teaching Agreement with St. Mary's University
 - Approval of Agreement for Clinical Experience with Minnesota State University, Mankato

Motion passed unanimously.

High Student Achievement

Principal Petersmeyer updated the board on the new Art Extension, staff data retreats, Fire Safety week, composer Dean Sorenson's visit, parent-teacher conferences, and upcoming events of Twelve on Tuesday, fourth grade Kindness Retreat, fourth grade Spotlight Concert and Veterans Day program.

Principal Flanary reported on the Deep Portage trip, Plant for the Future program, Winona Middle School staff visit, and upcoming events.

Principal Jensen gave a report on Homecoming Week, thanked Parent Volunteer Coordinator Jolene Botten and student council members, and gave an update on the student of the month breakfast, PSAT testing, new student tailgating event and upcoming events.

Chair Botten thanked the principals and staff on a nice District Choral Festival.

Director of Teaching and Learning Beaupre reported on the Q Comp data retreats, and the district's AYP status. She also invited the Board to the National Honor Society inductions at 7 PM on October 24.

Superintendent Durand updated the Board on the various meetings, school events, area superintendent's meetings, Homecoming pep fests, Wright County Sheriff's meeting, River Works fundraiser, student forum, MASA Federal Advocacy conference and upcoming events. He also updated the board on the Rockford Middle School landscaping project, thanked all the volunteers for planting at the high school and informed the board on the Excel program.

Community Education Director Flanary updated the board on the Community Education Advisory Council meeting, Destination Imagination and Early Childhood program updates.

Safe and Welcoming Learning Environment

Tryon motioned to approve the Assurance of Compliance with State and Federal Law Prohibiting Discrimination as presented. Abrahamson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Fiscal Responsibility

Business Manager Strozyk reported on the treasurer's report, business office updates, staff variety show on February 4, building and grounds, ESG Project, technology, transportation, negotiations and food service. Committee meetings will be scheduled for technology and food service.

Smith motioned to approve the snow removal contract for the 2011-12, 2012-13 and 2013-14 school years to Aspen because as second lowest bid, as a local vendor, and past history with the vendor. Tryon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Member Abrahamson introduced the following resolution, as presented, and moved its adoption:

Resolution as to Waiver for Potential Conflicts of Interest for Kennedy and Graven

WHEREAS Gloria Olsen, Sue Torgerson and Martha Ingram of Kennedy & Graven, Chartered represent School District No. 883 (Rockford) (the "School District"), and are assisting the School District in connection with a Grant Application to the Hennepin County Youth Sports Capital Grants Program (the "Grant Application") which may require the negotiation of certain agreements, such as leases and joint power agreements, between the School District, the City of Greenfield ("Greenfield"), and the City of Corcoran ("Corcoran") in which the parties could have directly adverse interests with regard to such agreements.

Scott Riggs of Kennedy & Graven, Chartered has been asked by the Greenfield to represent it in connection with any legal agreements between the School District and Greenfield related to the Grant Application.

Kennedy & Graven also represent Corcoran on matters unrelated to this matter.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: The School District hereby consents that Kennedy & Graven, despite the existence of potential direct adverse interests between any of the parties of Greenfield, the School District, and Corcoran, may represent the School District, Greenfield, and potentially Corcoran in this matter.

The motion of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Grimm and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Abrahamson, Anderson, Botten, Grimm, Smith and Tryon.

And the following voted against the same: None

Where upon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Member Abrahamson introduced the following resolution, as presented, and moved its adoption:

Resolution Amending and Clarifying Hennepin Youth Sports Program Resolution of October 3, 2011

WHEREAS School District No. 883 (Rockford) (the "School District") is in the process of applying for a grant from Hennepin County for the development of certain athletic facilities to be constructed by the School District on real property located in the cities of Corcoran and Greenfield (the "Project").

As required pursuant to the grant application process, the School District adopted its Resolution Authorizing Filing of Application and Execution of Agreement to Develop Sport or Recreation Facilities under the Provisions of the Hennepin County Youth Sports Program (the "Prior Resolution") at a special meeting on October 3, 2011.

The Prior Resolution provided that the School District agrees to own, assume 100% percent of operating costs for, and operate the Project for its intended purpose throughout the functional life of the Project.

The School District has determined that it is in the best interest of the School District to clarify and amend the Prior Resolution to reflect the current understanding among the School District

and the cities of Corcoran and Greenfield that the real property underlying the Project will not be owned by the School District, but will be retained by the cities of Corcoran and Greenfield.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: The School District hereby amends and clarifies the Prior Resolution as described above, and authorizes School District staff and consultants to forward a certified copy of this resolution to Hennepin County for inclusion in its grant application materials.

The motion of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Grimm and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Abrahamson, Anderson, Botten, Grimm, Smith and Tryon.

And the following voted against the same: None

Where upon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Member Abrahamson introduced the following resolution, as presented, and moved its adoption:

**Resolution for the Minnesota State High School League Foundation Grant
for Student Participation**

The motion of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Grimm and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Abrahamson, Anderson, Botten, Grimm, Smith and Tryon.

And the following voted against the same: None

Where upon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Efficient and Effective Operations

Abrahamson motioned to approve the cooperative sponsorship for gymnastics, boys' hockey, girls' hockey and adaptive floor hockey, as presented. Grimm seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Member Abrahamson introduced the following resolution, as presented, and moved its adoption:

**Resolution Establishing a Combined Polling Place for Multiple Precincts and
Designating Hours During Which the Polling Places will Remain Open for Voting
For School District Elections Not Held on the Day of a Statewide Election**

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 883, State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the precincts and polling places for school district elections are those precincts or parts of precincts located within the boundaries of the school district which have been established by the cities or towns located in whole or in part within the school district. The board hereby confirms those precincts and polling places so established by those municipalities.

2. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the board may establish a combined polling place for several precincts for school elections not held on the day of a statewide election. The following combined polling place is hereby established to serve the precincts specified for all school district special and general elections not held on the same day as a statewide election:

COMBINED POLLING PLACE: Rockford High School/
Community Center
7600 County Road 50
Rockford, Minnesota

This combined polling place serves all territory in Independent School District No. 883 located in the City of Rockford, the City of Greenfield, the City of Corcoran, the City of Medina, the City of Maple Grove, the City of Independence, and the City of Hanover; and Rockford and Franklin Townships; Wright and Hennepin Counties, Minnesota.

3. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.09, the polling place will remain open for voting for school district elections not held on the same day as a statewide election between the hours of 7:00 o'clock a.m. and 8:00 o'clock p.m.

4. The clerk is directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the county auditors of each of the counties in which the school district is located in whole or in part within thirty (30) days after its adoption.

5. As required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 204B.16, Subdivision 1a, the clerk is hereby authorized and directed to give written notice of new polling place locations to all registered voters in the school district whose school district polling place locations have been changed. The notice must be a nonforwardable notice mailed at least twenty-five (25) days before the date of the first election to which it will apply. A notice that is returned as undeliverable must be forwarded immediately to the appropriate County Auditor, who shall change the registrant's status to "challenged" in the statewide registration system.

The motion of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Grimm and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Abrahamson, Anderson, Botten, Grimm, Smith and Tryon.

And the following voted against the same: None

Where upon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Member Abrahamson introduced the following resolution, as presented, and moved its adoption:

**Resolution Relating to the Issuance of School Building Bonds
and Calling an Election Thereon**

The motion of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Anderson and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Abrahamson, Anderson, Botten, Grimm, Smith and Tryon.

And the following voted against the same: None

Where upon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Abrahamson motioned approve the first and final readings of the following policy changes.

405 Veterans Preference

406 Personnel Data

414 Mandated Reporting

419 Tobacco Free Environment

515 Pupil Records

526 Hazing Prohibition

530 Immunization Requirements

532 Removing Students with IEP's from School Grounds

533 Wellness

Non-Substantive Changes

416 Drug and Alcohol Testing

425 Staff Development

509 Enrollment of Nonresident Students

520 Student Surveys Public Notice Form

Tryon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The individual board members gave reports on their committee assignments.

Announcements

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Monday, November 21, 2011, 6:30 PM, at Rockford Middle School.

The ISD 883 Education Foundation fundraiser will be held on Saturday, November 12, 2011.

Abrahamson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 PM, seconded by Tryon. Motion carried unanimously.

Kathy Ehlers
Recorder

Chuck Tryon
Clerk