

# **Minutes of the Board of Education Independent School District No. 630 Red Lake Falls, Minnesota**

The Board of Education held a regular board meeting in the high school media center on Wednesday, March 20, 2024.

**Members Present:** Mike Swendra, Andy Knott, Lacey Konickson, Josiah Hoefler, Beth Keller, Chris Cardinal, and ex officio Superintendent Guetter.

**Absent:** Linda Schultz

**Also in Attendance:** Principal Brad Kennett, Principal Chris Bjerklie, Tom Delorme, Matt Knutson, Jin Warne, Stacy McCollum, Mandy Swendra, Bridget Cardinal, Chris Swendra, Hannah Seeger, Kelli Brateng, Ben Hanson, Aubrey Knott, Kayler Knott, and Wendy Breiland.

## **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

## **Visitor Comments**

Clarification and rumors regarding co-op discussions with RLCC for girls sports were discussed.

## **Board Actions and Motions**

### **Agenda Approval**

Hoefler moved and Keller seconded a motion to approve the March 20, 2024 agenda with the addition of Item E: Resignation. Motion carried.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Cardinal moved and Knott seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2024 regular meeting as presented. Motion carried.

### **Financial Approval**

Knott moved and Keller seconded a motion to approve money transfers, total payroll and other EFT transfers in the amount of \$555,772.06, the student activity count of \$94,555.48, the Treasurer's

Report totaling \$1,653,093.29, and payment of checks 75554 through 75679 as submitted and properly approved by the board. Motion carried.

### **Spring Coaching Contracts**

Cardinal moved and Konickson seconded a motion to approve spring coaching contracts for the 2023-2024 school year as presented. Motion carried.

### **Acceptance of Donations**

Keller moved and Knott seconded a motion to accept donations from Unity Bank for Summer Recreation in the amount of \$487.52, 2023 Spirit Cards totaling \$1,485.65, and a Northwest Minnesota Arts Council Rock Band grant in the amount of \$2,300. Motion carried.

### **Unpaid Meal Policy**

Konickson moved and Cardinal seconded a motion to approve the Unpaid Meal Policy with changes. Motion carried.

### **District Policy Updates**

Hoefler moved and Knott seconded a motion to approve mandatory updates to district policies as presented. Motion carried.

### **Resignation**

Konickson moved and Keller seconded a motion to accept the resignation of high school math teacher Brittney Deitz effective May 23, 2024. Motion carried.

### **Committee Reports**

Committee reports were provided by Andy, Laci, and Chris.

### **2024-2025 School Calendar**

The second reading of the 2024-2025 District School Calendar was presented.

### **Communications**

Several letters and sports-related communications were discussed.

### **Administrative Reports**

**Principal Kennett Report:** Reported that 19 students are taking OCIHS during the second semester; MCA and ACT testing will occur in April (ACT on April 19 and MCA on April 16); 2024-2025 scheduling is complete; prom is scheduled for Saturday, April 27; and discussion of the math teaching position.

**Principal Bjerklie Report:** Discussed Kindergarten Round-Up, a mental health presentation for fifth and sixth grade students and community members, the Bell Museum visit on April 3 at Hughes, and MCA testing beginning in April.

**Superintendent Guetter Report:** Provided updates on summer unemployment, ESST, legislative updates, speech services, workers compensation, telemedicine crisis services, tax abatements, sports and coaching matters, budgets, player numbers, classified staff agreements, principal contracts, and enrollment changes showing enrollment down by two students.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

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Mike Swendra – Chairman

Linda Schultz – Clerk