

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, May 15, 2024.

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

Also in Attendance: Principal Brad Kennett, Principal Chris Bjerklie, Aubrey Knott, Kayler Knott, Staci Schindler, Nikki Gullingsrud, Layna Schindler, Jason Kenfield, Chris Swendra, Mandy Swendra, Trevor Page, Seth Schmitz, Ben Hanson, Marshall Mickelson, Hannah Seeger, Cole Seeger, Jody Duden, Theresa Schafer, Brian Schafer, Matt Knutson, Kris Kennett, and Andrea Remick.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m.

Visitor Comments

No visitor comments were recorded.

Board Actions and Motions

Agenda Approval

Hoefler moved and Keller seconded a motion to approve the May 15, 2024 agenda with the addition of MSHSL Membership. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Schultz moved and Cardinal seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2024 regular meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Financial Approval

Hoefler moved and Knott seconded a motion to approve money transfers, total payroll and EFT transfers in the amount of \$448,885.82, the Treasurer's Report totaling \$1,915,209.22, the Student Activity Account balance of \$150,873.07, and payment of checks 75751 through 75883 for claims

properly submitted and approved by the board. Motion carried.

Health Insurance Coverage

Knott moved and Keller seconded a motion to approve the proposal from Red Lake County Insurance and Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Minnesota for 2024-2025 health insurance coverage for the Red Lake Falls School District. Motion carried.

Principal Contracts

Cardinal moved and Knott seconded a motion to approve the contracts for principals Brad Kennett and Chris Bjerklie for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school years as presented. Motion carried.

Classified Staff Contracts

Hofer moved and Konickson seconded a motion to approve classified staff contracts as presented for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school years. Motion carried.

Family Leave Approval

Schultz moved and Keller seconded a motion to grant family leave to Caitlin LaCoursiere on Tuesday, May 28, 2024, and from Friday, September 6 through September 27, 2024. Motion carried.

Education Identity Access Management Designation

Keller moved and Konickson seconded a motion to designate Jim Guetter, Superintendent, as the Identified Official with Authority for Education Identity Access Management for ISD 630 Red Lake Falls Public Schools. Motion carried.

MARCO Copier Lease

Knott moved and Cardinal seconded a motion to approve the lease proposal from MARCO for library copiers. Motion carried.

FCCLA Advisor Contract

Schultz moved and Konickson seconded a motion to approve the contract with Kale Miller as FCCLA Advisor for the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried.

MSHSL Membership

Keller moved and Knott seconded a motion to approve MSHSL membership for the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

A report was provided regarding the sports co-op meeting. Discussions will continue and communication will remain open.

Principal Reports

Principal Kennett Report: Reported on Senior Awards Night with approximately \$125,000 in awards presented, seniors' last day on May 17, seventh and eighth grade music trip activities, fall staff development planning, and graduation scheduled for May 24.

Principal Bjerklie Report: Discussed Awards Day on May 23, Track and Field Day on May 17, multiple student field trips, the Second STEP grant, READ Act approval, the non-exclusion discipline plan, Skip for Our Lou fundraising totaling \$21,000, and the Steiger Tractor program.

Superintendent Report

Superintendent Guetter reported that enrollment remains stable, discussed READ Act changes and the Local Literacy Plan, announced the hiring of junior high football coach Eric Mickelson, noted increasing UMC fees, updates on the North Star program and renewed food service program, sports fields, and tax abatements.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Mike Swendra – Chairman

Linda Schultz – Clerk