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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education of Independent School District #592, Climax, Minnesota held their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, October 20, 2021 at 5:300 pm at the Climax-Shelly School.

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Brad Erickson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call was taken with the following members present: Brad Erickson, Beth Rarick, Vance Thoreson, Molly Paulsrud, Toscha Larson, and Scott Swanson were present. Jayne Nesvig was absent. Superintendent Dan Dalchow, Business Office Manager Karen Johnson, teachers Karen Thoreson and Ethan Proznik, and guest Erllene Erickson were also present.

Molly moved, Vance seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda be approved as presented with a spelling correction to Isabel Pruneda. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Scott moved, Vance seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the September 20, 2021 regular meeting were approved with a spelling correction to Isabel Pruneda. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

COMMUNICATION - None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Using Consent Agenda - Mr. Dalchow presented the option of using a consent agenda as recommended by MSBA for efficiency. Board members agreed and this will be implemented for future meetings.
- 2022 MSBA School Leadership Conference January 13-14, 2021 - Board members are encouraged to attend and let Mr. Dalchow if interested in registration.
- Update on Renewing Operating Referendum and School Board Election - Mr. Dalchow highlighted items that were in a submitted report. Absentee ballots can be requested from the front office.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT - Mr. Dalchow presented his submitted report.

K-12 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - Mr. Rufsvold was not present and there was no report.

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COVID PROGRAM COORDINATOR REPORT - No report. Mr. Dalchow shared that although we have had positive cases, our numbers are fairly low. Staffing can be an issue when staff's children are positive or quarantined.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR REPORT - Mr. Dalchow highlighted items that were in the report submitted by Mason Grimes.

TECHNOLOGY REPORT - No report.

Scott moved, Toscha seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED that a payment totaling \$21,199.73 for checks #40968-#40983 for end of month bills and \$59,175.89 for checks #40984-#41020 for monthly board bills to be approved as presented. Wire payments totaled \$92,881.93 for the month. There were no voided checks. The board report is for checks listed for Fund 1 (General Fund), Fund 2 (Hot Lunch), and Fund 21 (Student Activity). Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Scott moved, Vance seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT BY BETH RARICK

Financial Information	September 2020	September 2021
MN Liquid Asset Fund	\$3,097,842.12	\$2,887,704.32
Checkbook Balance	\$21,178.46	\$88,294.50
Subtotal	\$3,119,020.58	\$2,975,998.82
GRAND TOTAL	\$3,119,020.58	\$2,975,998.82

OLD BUSINESS - None.

NEW BUSINESS

DONATION - None.

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The following resolution was moved by Toscha and seconded by Molly:

RESOLUTION REGARDING FUND BALANCE TRANSFERS

WHEREAS, Minnesota Governor Tim Walz issued Emergency Executive Order 20-19 on March 25, 2020, which stated in part:

Paragraph 21. Upon approval by the Executive Council, school districts and schools are authorized to transfer operating funds from certain programs that are not already assigned to or encumbered by staff salary and benefits, or otherwise encumbered by federal law.

WHEREAS, a fund transfer is allowed if the transfer meets the criteria set forth in Paragraph 21(c) of Emergency Executive Order 20-19:

1. The transfer does not increase state aid obligations to the district or result in additional property tax authority for the district or charter school.
2. A transfer is limited to the operating funds of a district or charter school.
3. A school board must approve a fund transfer by the fiscal year reporting deadline.
4. A district or charter school must maintain accounting records for the purpose of this Executive Order that are sufficient to document both the specific funds transferred and use of those funds. Such accounting records are subject to auditor review.
5. Any execution of this flexibility must not interfere with or jeopardize funding per federal requirements.

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6. Any transfer must not interfere with the equitable delivery of distance learning or social distancing models

WHEREAS, the School Board of the Climax Shelly Independent School District 592, has determined that that the criteria identified under Paragraph 21(c) have been satisfied for a fund transfer pursuant to Emergency Executive Order 20-19;

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District 592 has reviewed and approved the attached Request for Fund Transfers

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 592 authorizes the School District administration to submit the attached Request for Fund Transfers.

The vote on adoption of the Resolution was as follows:

Aye: Toscha, Molly, Beth, Scott, Brad, Vance

Nay: None

Absent: Jayne

Whereupon, said Resolution was declared duly adopted.

Molly moved, seconded by Vance the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the transfer funds from Community Education to ECFE. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Toscha moved, seconded by Molly the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the transfer funds from Safe School Levy to ECFE . Motion passed by unanimous vote.

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Molly moved, seconded by Scott the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the transfer funds from Staff Development to School Readiness. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Vance moved, seconded by Beth the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the transfer funds from Fund 1 to cover the remaining deficits in Fund 4. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Beth moved, seconded by Molly the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve amending the 2021-2022 school calendar to reflect changing November 11, 2021 to a full school day and to have school conferences on November 18, 2021 with early dismissal at 1:00 PM. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Scott moved, seconded by Toscha the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the 2021-2022 Teacher Seniority list as presented. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Toscha moved, seconded by Molly the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve establishing a policy committee to include up to 2 school board members and administration to review policies and present to the board for review and approval the necessary policy changes. Motion passed by unanimous vote. Scott volunteered to be on the committee. Vance indicated that he could also help if needed.

Molly moved, seconded by Beth the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the hiring of Duane Connell as a paraprofessional for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Molly moved, seconded by Beth the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve adding 1 school board member to the Community Education Advisory Council for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion passed by unanimous vote. Beth volunteered to be on the council.

The following resolution was moved by Toscha and seconded by Vance:

WHEREAS, Independent School District No. is a member district of the Area Special Education Cooperative (ASEC) of East Grand Forks, Minnesota, and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Area Special Education Cooperative at the October 19, 2021 meeting passed a motion to spend Federal Flow-Through IDEA Part B Sec. 611; IDEA Part B Sec. 619 Preschool; IDEA Part B Sec. 611 Low Incidence; IDEA Part C (Ages 0-2); 140 American Rescue Plan (ARP) IDEAS Part B

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Section 611; and 141 American Rescue Plan (ARP) IDEAS Part B Section 619 Preschool Incentive Ages 3-5 Program funds jointly in the Cooperative for the 2021/2022 school year;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Dan Dalchow be appointed the representative for Independent School District No. 592, Climax, Minnesota empowering him to spend their Federal Flow-Through IDEA Part B Sec. 611; IDEA Part B Sec. 619 Preschool; IDEA Part B Sec. 611 Low Incidence; IDEA Part C (Ages 0-2); 140 American Rescue Plan (ARP) IDEAS Part B Section 611; and 141 American Rescue Plan (ARP) IDEAS Part B Section 619 Preschool Incentive Ages 3-5 Program funds cooperatively with other schools through the Joint Powers Agency of the Area Special Education Cooperative, 1505 Central Avenue NW, East Grand Forks, Minnesota 56721.

The vote on adoption of the Resolution was as follows:

Aye: Toscha, Molly, Beth, Scott, Brad, Vance

Nay: None

Absent: Jayne

Whereupon, said Resolution was declared duly adopted.

Toscha moved, seconded by Beth the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to go into closed session to discuss Labor Negotiation Strategies. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Scott, Vance, Toscha, Beth, Molly, Brad and Mr. Dalchow moved to closed session at 6:09 pm. The closed session was recorded.

Scott moved, seconded by Molly the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to end the closed session at 6:30 pm. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A Special Board Meeting for canvassing election results was tentatively scheduled for Thursday, November 4, 2021 at 6:45 am.

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Molly moved, seconded by Scott the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 pm.
Motion passed by unanimous vote.

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 15, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Toscha Larson, Clerk