

The organizational meeting of the ISD #318 School Board was called to order by Tom Peltier at 7:30 p.m., on January 2, 2007 in the Board Room of the ISD #318 Administrative Services Building. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Members present: Meyer, Hietala, Olson, Schroeder, Peltier, Ross.

Members absent: None

Student Representatives: Ian Godfrey and Dillon Bengtson

Nominations were requested for the position of Chair of the ISD #318 Board of Education for year 2007. Hietala nominated Tom Peltier for position of Chair and Olson seconded the nomination. Three requests were made for further nominations for School Board Chair and none were heard. Peltier closed the nominations for Chair. Moved by Hietala, supported by Meyer, for a unanimous ballot for Tom Peltier as Chair and motion carried without dissent. Peltier assumed the role as Chair. Peltier thanked School Board members for his nomination as Board Chair.

Nominations were requested for the position of Clerk of the ISD #318 Board of Education for year 2007. Ross nominated Paul Meyer for position of Clerk and Schroeder seconded the nomination. Three requests were made for further nominations for School Board Clerk and none were heard. Peltier closed the nominations for Clerk. Moved by Ross, supported by Schroeder, for a unanimous ballot for Paul Meyer as Clerk and motion carried without dissent. Meyer assumed the role as Clerk.

Nominations were requested for the position of Treasurer of the ISD #318 Board of Education for year 2007. Meyer nominated Harvey Hietala for position of Treasurer and Olson seconded the nomination. Three requests were made for further nominations for School Board Treasurer and none were heard. Peltier closed the nominations for Treasurer. Moved by Meyer, supported by Olson, for a unanimous ballot for Harvey Hietala for Treasurer and motion carried without dissent. Hietala assumed the role as Treasurer.

Moved by Schroeder, supported by Olson, to approve the agenda for the 1/2/07 School Board meeting with no additions. Motion carried without dissent.

Moved by Hietala, supported by Ross, to approve the 2007 School Board meeting dates as presented by Superintendent Silko and are as follows: January 2, January 16, February 5, February 20, March 5, March 19, April 2, April 16, May 7, May 21, June 18, July 16, August 20, September 4, September 17, October 2, October 15, November 5, November 19, December 3 and December 17. After discussion, motion carried without dissent. The meeting times are 7:00 p.m. for the open forums and 7:30 p.m. for the regular School Board meetings unless otherwise posted.

Moved by Meyer, supported by Schroeder, to approve the 2007 calendar of indicator reports as presented by Superintendent Silko. Motion carried without dissent

Moved by Hietala, supported by Olson, to approve the School Board salary increase to \$2,300 per year for School Board Directors and \$2,725 per year for the School Board Chair effective January 1, 2007. This is about a 2% increase and the first salary increase in six years. After discussion, motion carried without dissent.

Moved by Olson, supported by Ross, to approve the appointments to committees for 2007 as follows: Community Education Advisory Council-Paul Meyer, Edge of the Wilderness Community Center Board-Cliff Schroeder, Endowment Committee-Paul Meyer, Fringe Benefits-Harvey Hietala, IEIC - Interlink Committee/Early Childhood Intervention-Lynda Ross, Itasca County Intergovernmental Planning Board (South Central)-Tom Peltier, Itasca Area Schools Collaborative Board (IASC)-Cliff Schroeder, Labor/Management Committee-Tom Peltier and Lynda Ross, Legislative Liaison to MSBA-Harvey Hietala and Tom Peltier, Long Range Planning-All Board members, Meet and Confer-Tom Peltier, Negotiations-All Board Members, Range Association of Municipalities and Schools (RAMS)-Mary Ann Olson, Reif Board-Cliff Schroeder, Retiree Health Benefit Committee-Hietala, Ross, and Olson, School Forest Committee-Cliff Schroeder, Shared Decisions Council (District)-Harvey Hietala, Staff Development Committee (District)-Harvey Hietala, Superintendent Evaluation-All Board Members, Systems Accountability Committee-Paul Meyer, and the Wellness Committee-Lynda Ross. Motion carried without dissent.

Moved by Ross, supported by Schroeder, to certify Benjamin E. Hawkins as Chief Financial Officer for ISD #318. This motion approves Mr. Hawkins to exercise the power of the School Board in designating depositories for the district, in initiating and delegating the responsibility for electronic fund transfers, in the assigning and releasing of collateral and in the letting and assigning of all contracts and construction change orders under \$50,000.00 during 2007. After discussion, motion carried without dissent.

Moved by Hietala, supported by Meyer, to designate the *Herald Review* as the official ISD #318 newspaper for 2007. Motion carried without dissent.

Moved by Meyer, supported by Schroeder, to designate KOZY/KMFY as the official ISD #318 radio station for 2007. After discussion, motion carried without dissent.

Moved by Meyer, supported by Olson, to designate the bulletin board inside the main doors of the Administrative Services Building as the official ISD #318 posting site for 2007. After discussion, motion carried without dissent.

All reports, budget information, bids, etc., may be viewed and/or questions answered at the ISD #318 Superintendent's Office, 820 NW 1 Ave., Grand Rapids, MN, (218) 327-5704.

HIGHEST STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Student Board Representative Reports:

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| RJEMS-Bengtson: | Youth Council donation to food shelf
Explore testing results
8 th grade ski trip
Decorations in common by Youth Council
Packages sent to Iraq
Madeline Elkington's donation of art work to RJEMS |
| GRHS-Godfrey: | GRHS report card – rated as a 5 Star High School
Yearbooks
Battle of the Bands
Winter homecoming events
Early release day 1/9
End of semester activities
Class registration |

EFFECTIVE & EFFICIENT SYSTEMS

Moved by Olson, supported by Schroeder, to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2006 School Board meeting. Motion carried without dissent.

Moved by Hietala, supported by Schroeder, to approve a lease agreement with North Homes, Inc. and authorize Ben Hawkins to sign the lease. This lease agreement is between North Homes, Inc and ISD #318 for the lease of classroom space at the Itasca Juvenile Center and beginning in April for class rooms at the Residential Cottage. This contract is for two years. The square footage lease rate is increased by \$.75. After discussion, motion carried without dissent with Tom Peltier abstained from voting as he is involved as a member of the condominium association that is involved with North Homes, Inc. and Itasca County. Motion carried by majority vote and without dissent.

PARTNERSHIPS

Board reports: Ross: Retiree Health Benefit Committee

Meeting announcements included:

- (1.) District Shared Decisions Council 1/8/07 8:00 a.m. Room 135
- (2.) Intergovernmental Planning Board 1/10/07 11:30 a.m. Courthouse
- (3.) Reif Board, 1/11/07 7:10 a.m. Reif Center
- (4.) District Staff Development 1/11/07 12:30 p.m. Board Room
- (5.) MSBA Winter Convention 1/11-12/07 Minneapolis
- (6.) IASC Board 1/16/07 6:30 p.m. ICC
- (7.) School Board Open Forum 1/16/07 7:00 p.m., Board Room
- (8.) School Board Regular Meeting 1/16/07 7:30 p.m., Board Room

OTHER BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC INPUT: None

Hearing no further business and no public input, Chair Peltier adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Paul Meyer, Clerk