

The regular meeting of the ISD #318 School Board was called to order by Chair Peltier at 7:30 p.m. on August 20, 2007 in the Board Room of the ISD #318 Administrative Services Building. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Members present: Meyer, Hietala, Schroeder, Olson, Ross and Peltier. Members absent: None
 Student Representatives: None

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.

EFFECTIVE & EFFICIENT SYSTEMS

Motion by Schroeder, supported by Olson, to approve the agenda of the August 20, 2007 regular School Board meeting with the below listed additions: Motion carried without dissent.

- 6.q. Stephanie Downing, ESP 4 hour replacement hire
- 6.r. Renae Garski, 1 FTE teacher replacement hire
- 6.s. Betsy Sween, .2 FTE teacher new hire
- 6.t. Sale of Bus Garage / Lease Back from Blandin

HIGHEST STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Sue Hoeft, Sandy Evenson and Jan Reindl recognized Faith Swanson who was named 2007 Minnesota Adult Basic Education's Outstanding Learner for the 2006/2007 program year. Faith received a standing ovation for her efforts and successes.

Moved by Hietala, supported by Ross, to approve the minutes of the 7/26/07 School Board meeting. Motion carried without dissent.

Moved by Meyer, supported by Schroeder, to approve the July 2007 claims as presented below. After discussion, motion carried without dissent.

Month	July			
Date Ending:	7/31/2007			
FUND	BILLS	PAYROLL	INVESTMENTS	FUND TOTALS
General	\$956,293.94	\$1,780,787.58	\$0.00	\$2,737,081.52
Food Service	\$43,960.68	\$32,362.20		\$76,322.88
Transportation	\$611,132.60	\$50,748.53		\$661,881.13
Community Service	\$21,741.37	\$41,140.99		\$62,882.36
Capital Expenditure	\$309,547.28	\$4,252.89		\$313,800.17
Building Construction	\$200,744.81	\$2,565.87		\$203,310.68
Debt Redemption	\$726,001.25			\$726,001.25
Trust and Agency	\$1,500.00			\$1,500.00
Totals	\$2,870,921.93	\$1,911,858.06	\$0.00	\$4,782,779.99

Moved by Hietala, supported by Olson, to approve the acceptance of the July 2007 gifts and donations. After discussion, motion carried without dissent.

Moved by Schroeder, supported by Hietala, to approve the consent agenda as presented by Superintendent Silko and listed below: After discussion, motion carried without dissent.

1. Patrick Hannah, 1 FTE Teacher hire – replacement
2. Anna Becker, Teacher - resignation
3. Robyn Heinle, .7 FTE Teacher hire - replacement
4. Bonnie Temple, 3 hours ESP hire – replacement

Moved by Meyer, supported by Ross, to approve the retirement of Karen Carlson, teacher. Motion carried without dissent.

Moved by Hietala, supported by Schroeder, to approve the placement of an historical monument at the location of the old Air Force Station. After discussion, motion carried without dissent.

Joe Silko reported on the Springsted survey results. The Springsted firm facilitated a survey of 405 community members to determine the possibility of passing an operating levy. Discussion was held. The School Board set a Board workshop for Monday, August 27 at 5:15 p.m. in the Board Room to further discuss details of running an operating levy.

Moved by Hietala, supported by Ross, to approve the Grand Rapids High School handbook. After discussion, motion carried without dissent.

Moved by Schroeder, supported by Olson, to approve the Bigfork School handbook. Motion carried without dissent.

Moved by Olson, supported by Meyer, to approve the Robert J. Elkington Middle School handbook. Motion carried without dissent.

Moved by Ross, supported by Olson, to approve the Elementary handbook. Motion carried without dissent.

Moved by Schroeder, supported by Hietala, to approve the Early Childhood Programs handbook. Motion carried without dissent.

Moved by Hietala, supported by Ross, to approve the Cohasset Portage Park Lease for fiscal years 2008, 2009, and 2010. The lease price will remain at \$5,000 per year. Motion carried without dissent.

Rod Leistikow, Director of Building and Grounds, provided a district construction update.

Moved by Ross, supported by Olson, to approve the sale of the Nore School property. After discussion, motion carried without dissent.

Moved by Olson, supported by Schroeder, to approve the hiring of Stephanie Downing, ESP. This is a replacement. Motion carried without dissent.

Moved by Ross, supported by Meyer, to approve the hiring of Renae Garski, teacher. This is a replacement. Motion carried without dissent.

Moved by Meyer, supported by Schroeder, to approve the hiring of Betsy Sween, teacher. This is a replacement. After discussion, motion carried without dissent.

Colleen Schussman updated the Board on the status of the new hires.

Moved by Hietala, supported by Schroeder, to approve the sale and lease back of the Bus Garage to Blandin Paper Company. After discussion, motion carried without dissent.

PARTNERSHIPS

Board reports:

Meyer:	MSBA State Convention
Schroeder:	MSBA State Convention Alternative Learning Task Force
Hietala:	MSBA State Convention Alternative Learning Task Force Fringe Benefit Committee
Ross:	MSBA State Convention Alternative Learning Task Force
Peltier:	Intergovernmental Planning Board MSBA State Convention

OTHER BUSINESS: None

Meeting Announcements:

- (1.) RAMS 8/23/07 6:30 p.m. Buhl
- (2.) Systems Accountability 8/28/07 6:30 p.m. Board Room
- (3.) School Board Open Forum 9/4/07 7:00 p.m., Board Room
- (4.) School Board Regular Meeting 9/4/07 7:30 p.m., Board Room
- (5.) School Board Workshop 8/27/07 5:15 p.m. Board Room

PUBLIC INPUT: Nick Eltgroth provided information on Vets for Peace.

At 9:06 p.m. Chair Peltier closed the session for the annual superintendent evaluation.

At 10:16 p.m. Tom Peltier reopened the meeting and reported that the Board would rise and report about the closed session at the 9/4/07 School Board meeting.

Hearing no further business and no public input, Chair Peltier adjourned the meeting at 10:18 p.m.

Paul Meyer, Clerk