

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Independent School District 279 School Board
Maple Grove, MN
January 8, 2013

CALL TO ORDER	A regular meeting of the Independent School District 279 School Board was held on Tuesday, January 8, 2013, in the Board Room at the Educational Service Center. Chairperson Dean Henke called the meeting to order at 8:32 PM.
ROLL CALL	The following members were present: Board members Dean Henke, Tammie Epley, Jim Burgett, Teresa Lunt, Jacki Girtz, Linda Etim and Superintendent Dr. Kate Maguire.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, led by Dean Henke.
ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA	<p>Motion by Dean Henke, seconded by Tammie Epley, to accept the printed agenda.</p> <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p>
AUDIENCE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE SCHOOL BOARD	<p>The following individuals addressed the Board during Audience Opportunity to Address the School Board:</p> <p>Community member, Collette Guyott-Hempel, commented on school board member and district staff salaries; additional staff positions; class sizes and technology equity across school sites.</p>
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT	<p>Superintendent Dr. Kate Maguire stated that a regular part of her report is to share points of pride. The points of pride celebrate students, staff and community members who are contributing to the accomplishment of our mission which is to <i>inspire and prepare ALL students with the confidence, courage and competence to achieve their dreams; contribute to community; and engage in a lifetime of learning.</i></p> <p>Accomplishments related to student confidence, courage and competence in the areas of achieving dreams, contributing to community, life-long learning and mission-driven employees were noted.</p> <p>Superintendent Maguire welcomed Jacki Girtz and Linda Etim as new members to the school board.</p> <p>Maguire shared that the budget planning process is well underway, stating the district will need to cut approximately \$11 million dollars over the next two school years.</p> <p>Budget managers are reviewing their program areas to help identify budget reductions, while the community and employees are contributing their perspectives on financial priorities and reduction</p>

<p>SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT</p>	<p>areas through the online budget survey through January 13th.</p> <p>Survey input and budget manager ideas will be considered by the Superintendent and Cabinet members as specific reduction proposals are made. Reduction proposals will be shared with the School Board at the January 29th work session. Reduction proposals will adjust as needed based on Board member feedback and revised proposals will be shared for community feedback at three budget forums on February 6th, 7th and 11th. Details of the forums are on the District 279 webpage. A final budget recommendation will be provided to the Board for action on March 5th.</p>
<p>SCHOOL BOARD REPORTS</p>	<p><u>1/8/13 Work Session Report</u></p> <p>Board member Tammie Epley reported that the Board learned about the current status of implementation of one of our instructional priorities, Standards-based Grading. Standards-based grading is a significant change that has potential to positively impact student achievement.</p>
<p>PRESENTATION: STANDARD'S BASED INSTRUCTION: GRADING & REPORTING -TERI STALOCH</p>	<p>Dr. Teri Staloch, Assistant Superintendent of Leadership, Teaching and Learning, along with Wendy Biallas-Odell, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Educational Standards (CIES) and Kris Rouleau, Coordinator of CIES, shared information on the implementation of Standards Based Grading & Reporting.</p> <p>Curriculum staff have met with close to 50 groups of teachers, principals, and students in the last few weeks in a process of continuous assessment and action. With stakeholder input, two broad areas have been identified and acted upon for improvement: grading practices and assessment development practices. Specific steps have been taken to address these areas for action.</p> <p>A Secondary Grading Practices Task Force has been created, comprised primarily of teachers. This group has studied and made recommendations about grading practices, the grading scale, and use of a grade book mark called the "R," which will be used to communicate to students and parents that an assignment or task is required in order to receive a grade in a course.</p> <p>Curriculum staff continue working with teacher writing teams on an ongoing basis to develop and select quality assessments that are aligned with the standards.</p>
<p>CONSENT AGENDA</p>	<p>Motion by Dean Henke, seconded by Teresa Lunt, to approve items in the Consent Agenda as follows:</p> <p><u>Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 18, 2012</u></p> <p><u>Verified Accounts Payable 1-8-13</u></p> <p><u>Personnel</u></p>

<p>CONSENT AGENDA</p>	<p><u>Surrogate Parent Appointment</u></p> <p><u>Student Trips</u></p> <p><u>Acceptance of the 2012-2013 Perkins Grant in the amount of \$97,000 and authorize an expenditure and budget appropriation in the amount of \$97,000.</u></p> <p><u>Acceptance of the 2012-2013 Perkins Reserve Grant in the amount of \$8,000 and authorize an expenditure and budget appropriation in the amount of \$8,000.</u></p> <p><u>Acceptance of the 2012-2013 Title I Grant in the amount of \$3,083,040 and authorize an expenditure and budget appropriation in the amount of \$3,083,040.</u></p> <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>GIFTS TO THE DISTRICT</p>	<p>Motion by Dean Henke, seconded by Tammie Epley, to approve the Gifts to the District totaling \$40,368.22.</p> <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>SECOND AND FINAL READING OF POLICIES</p>	<p>Motion by Dean Henke, seconded by Tammie Epley, to approve Second and Final Reading of Policy 441. The motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>Motion by Dean Henke, seconded by Tammie Epley, to approve Second and Final Reading of Policy 524. The motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>Motion by Dean Henke, seconded by Tammie Epley, to approve Second and Final Reading of Policy 901. The motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>ANNOUNCEMENTS</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A Negotiation Strategies Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 22, 2013 at 6:00 PM in Conference Room N10 at the Educational Service Center. This meeting is Closed to the Public. 2. A Regular School Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 22, 2013 at 8:00 PM in the Board Room at the Educational Service Center. This meeting is Open to the Public.
<p>ADJOURNMENT</p>	<p>At 9:02 PM, motion by Teresa Lunt seconded by Tammie Epley to adjourn the meeting.</p> <p>The motion carried unanimously.</p>
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