

SCHOOL BOARD
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 15
St. Francis, Minnesota
November 28, 2011
Regular Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
Central Services Center – Community Room
4115 Ambassador Blvd.
A G E N D A

The regular meeting was called to order by Chair Kelly at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Directors Anderson, H. Grams, S. Grams, Van Denburgh, Vogel, and Superintendent Saxton. Absent: Director Haag.

Others present were Director of Business Services Mae Hawkins, Director of Human Resources David Lindberg, Director of Special Services Jacque Stein, Director of Community Services Tom Larson, and community members.

Board Calendar Dates: Regular meetings held at 7:00 p.m. at the Central Services Center, December 12, January 9, January 23, and February 13. Dialogue with the School Board will be at 6:30 p.m. prior to the regular meetings.

Consideration of Visitors

None

Chair Kelly appointed Director David Anderson as School Board Clerk Pro Tem.

Agenda

Motion was made by Ms. Grams and seconded by Mr. Anderson.

Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Motion was made to approve the revised Consent Agenda by Ms. Grams and seconded by Mr. Vogel.

A. THAT the minutes of November 14, 2011 be approved as presented.

B. THAT Personnel Items be approved as presented.

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No.15 that the Personnel actions as listed below be approved:

EMPLOYMENT:

NON-CLASSIFIED

DZIUK, ALEX, Assistant Gymnastics Coach, SFHS, Step 1, Varied hours effective 11.14.11.

EGAN, JOHN, Snow Plowing Position, Transportation, hourly rate effective 11.20.11.

GOETZ, JASON, Bus Washing Specialist, Transportation, Step 1, 3.5 hrs./day, 115 days effective 11.7.11.

LEFEVER, MIKE, Assistant Gymnastics Coach, SFHS, Step 3, Varied hours effective 11.14.11.

PAUL, PARIS, Snow Plowing Position, Transportation, hourly rate effective 11.20.11

WILLIAMS, KEVIN, Snow Plowing Position, Transportation, hourly rate effective 11.20.11.

MONSERUD-DUCHENE, MELISSA, Cafeteria Monitor, CCCS, Step 2.0 hrs./day, 171.0 days effective 11.14.11.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE:

NON-CLASSIFIED

JOHNSON, CHRISTINE, Assistant Cook, SFHS, Medical LOA effective 12.1.11.

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS/DISCONTINUANCE OF POSITION:

CLASSIFIED

NELSON, STACEY, Assistant Track Coach, Resignation effective 6.17.11

C. THAT Disbursements be approved as presented.

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 15 that these disbursements as presented, and excluding net payroll, be allowed and charged to funds as follows:

Fund

No.	Description	Amount
01	General	\$ 2,052,807.51
02	Food Service	\$ 27,344.64
04	Community Services	\$ 46,235.97
06	Construction	\$ -
07	Debt Redemption	\$ -
09	Trust and Agency	\$ 7,498.04
47	OPEB Debt Service	\$ -
	TOTAL DISTRICT	\$ 2,133,886.16

All checks processed between 11/15/11 and 11/23/11,
Payroll liabilities for 11/20/11, P-Card transactions for October,
and all accounts payable items processed between 11/15/11 and 11/23/11

- D. THAT Cash and Investments be approved as presented.
BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 15 that the cash and investment reports for July, August & September 2011 be approved as presented.
- E. THAT Gift Acknowledgements be approved as presented.
BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 15 that the following gifts be hereby accepted as set forth in the attached donor form(s):
\$107.42, SFE APT, Jewel cases and CDs for 5th grade digital portfolios
\$5,000.00, St. Francis Basketball Association, to purchase boys varsity jerseys
\$2,000.00, St. Francis Blue Line Club, for JV hockey coach
\$500.00, East Bethel Bandits, to SFHS for baseball supplies at the activity director's discretion
\$5,783.00 (in kind), St. Francis Basketball Association, shooting machine that all basketball players may use, available to all youth and high school players and coaches
\$282.66, Wells Fargo Community Support Campaign, to SFHS at principal's discretion
\$19.39, Wells Fargo Community Support Campaign, to SFHS at principal's discretion
\$100.00, Refer a Friend, Build Your Community RMG, to SFE as needed

Motion carried.

Reports

Student Report

Nate Lipinski and Mercedes Johnson provided the student report. Finals took place today, pros and cons, time factor, lengthy, different strategies for teachers, teaching to the test, and preparing students for the future, scoring was done electronically and completed by 4 p.m. Winter Sports have begun. A tentative date is set for Snow Week.

Superintendent Report and Communications

- Mr. Saxton and Mr. Anderson met with Meet and Confer regarding the calendar.
- Attended Schools for Equity in Education regional meeting, extensive information on funding and inequities, there needs to be an adjustment done with revenue.
- At the Assessment, Curriculum and Teaching (ACT) meeting, MCA results were analyzed with review in how they affect instruction.
- Truth in Taxation will be held at the December 12 School Board meeting. Ms. Hawkins will have a list available of legislator contact information for our area. Frequently asked questions are on the website.
- Awards night at Crossroads invitation was sent via email to the School Board.
- Continue to address the pedestrian crossing at Highway 47 and Pederson Drive.

Dialogue Session

No one attended.

School Board Member Reports

Mr. Anderson attended Meet and Confer regarding the calendar, and the ACT meeting with review of MCA test results.

Ms. Van Denburgh assisted at the American Indian Education meeting November 20.

Mr. Grams participated in teacher academy interview process. Read email that was submitted to Mark Lindberg regarding the accident reports previously sent and possible solutions. Mr. Grams requested that someone pass along to Mr. Sargent that Board members be notified about American Indian events taking place.

Administrative Report

St. Francis Elementary School (SFES) - Community Relations Report

Ms. Beth Anderson Community Relations Coordinator at SFES shared learning opportunities available. American Indian resources were incorporated in the classroom with interactive projects. A partnership of cross-grade level collaboration for reading is taking place. Title I program has piloted RAZ Readers with great success. At conferences parents were shown by the students how the program worked. Another Title I program is Family Math and Reading held once per month. The One Book, One School pilot tied in all subject areas and was well received. Flash Math is being implemented at the three elementary schools. A big part of the success at SFES is due to the collaboration among administration and all staff.

A five minute recess was taken before moving into Closed Session at 7:33 p.m.

Other Matters

Closed Session – Negotiation Parameters

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 15 that a closed session be conducted for the purpose of discussing labor negotiation strategies under subd. 1 (b) of the Open Meetings Law, Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13D.03

Closed Session: Motion was made by Mr. Grams, second by Ms. Grams. Vote: 6-0

Time: 7:40 p.m.

Resume Open Meeting: Motion by Mr. Anderson: I move that the open meeting be resumed, second by Mr. Vogel. Vote: 6-0

Time: 9:48 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

Joseph D. Haag, School Board Clerk