# IND. SCHOOL DISTRICT #36 KELLIHER PUBLIC SCHOOL REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING FEBRUARY 10, 2022

The School Board of ISD #36, Kelliher, MN met February 10, 2022 in the School Media Center. The meeting was called to order by Chair Frank Duresky at 7:03 p.m. Members present: Frank Duresky, Rachel Jorgensen, Kevin Waldo, Tessa Koisti, Dawn Jensen, and Paul Grams, Superintendent, Ex-Officio. Members absent: Dan Persons.

Visitors: Sherri Dahl, Cynthia Celander, and Aliza Lundin.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion by Kevin Waldo, second by Tessa Koisti to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Rachel Jorgensen, second by Kevin Waldo to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2022 reorganizational and regular board meetings. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Tessa Koisti, second by Rachel Jorgensen to approve the January Treasurer's Report and January District and Student Activity bills in the amount of \$157,082.28. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Comments from Visitors:**

1. Guidance Counselor Cynthia Celander relayed the Senior IEPAC Meal will be held Sunday, May 22, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. this year. Kevin Waldo, Frank Duresky, and Paul Grams volunteered to help with the event.

#### Directors' Forum:

- Tessa Koisti inquired on a way for more information on times and locations of 6/7 and 8<sup>th</sup> grade basketball games to be relayed to parents/community members. Kevin Waldo said that he would coordinate with the other coaches for solutions on better communication.
- 2. Rachel Jorgensen thanked the board for giving her the opportunity to attend the MSBA Conference with Superintendent Paul Grams. She said she gained a lot of knowledge visiting with other school board members from around Minnesota and after hearing the issues they are facing said she was very grateful for the community and board that we have here in Kelliher.

## Committee Reports:

1. Kevin Waldo reported discussion items at the Athletic Cooperative meeting that was held such as the Football cooperative with Littlefork, additional collaborative opportunities with Blackduck, and issues securing concessions workers.

## Principal's Report:

- 1. Principal Sherri Dahl relayed the 2022 "Rustic Romance" Prom for Kelliher and Northome schools will be held at the Northern Escape Venue in Blackduck, MN on Saturday, April 30, 2022. The grand march, meal, and dance will be held at the venue with post-prom activities to follow at Northome School.
- 2. Congratulations went to student Donna Thayer received the Section 8AAA Award. This Triple 'A' award is for students excelling in Academics, Athletics, and Arts.
- 3. Grades 5, 8, and 11 took the MN Student Survey this past week which includes questions such as student alcohol and tobacco consumption.
- 4. The Ag Club went on a field trip to the Ressler Ranch bull sale in Cooperstown, North Dakota on Wednesday, February 2, 2022.
- 5. Next Friday, February 18, 2022 will be mid-quarter and also a Teacher Development day for staff. Trainings for both ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evacuate) school safety training as well as AED (Automated External Defibrillator) first aid safety training are planned for staff.
- 6. Monday, February 21, 2022 will have no school due to President's Day.

## Superintendent's Report:

- Superintendent Grams gave an update on the Walking Trail which is planned for making a more accessible trail beginning at the football field and going towards the sewage pond access road. This trail is planned to be utilized by several classrooms such as science and physical education as well as being open to the community for public utilization.
- 2. An early retirement request was received. A committee of Kevin Waldo, Frank Duresky, and Paul Grams plan to meet Friday, February 18, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. to discuss.
- 3. The Family and Consumer Science (FCS) and Industrial Technology departments were discussed and the needs for additional hires. FCS continues to need a .5 FTE teacher and the high number of students in Industrial Technology may need additional support and possibly additional teacher to accommodate popularity of the classes. Currently we have a substitute paraprofessional that has construction skillset and experience helping in the classroom periodically and has been a successful collaboration.
- 4. An update was given on the current enrollment for early childhood through grade 12 at Kelliher School. Currently we have 326 students enrolled with 126 being resident

students and 189 non-resident from surrounding districts. The enrollment policy was reviewed and discussed by the board along with early childhood enrollments and room capacity for the 3 and 4-year-old programs.

- 5. A staffing update as well as continued discussion from January's school board meeting on the need for additional support and intervention within Kelliher School. Several options were discussed depending on the outcome and success of the newly implemented ADSIS (Alternative Delivery of Specialized Instructional Services) within the school. The need for additional staff or restructuring will be revisited after data collection and reporting has been completed for the current school year.
- 6. The weather forecast for the night into tomorrow was discussed and determined would consult with Transportation Director Carver Nelson for final say on tomorrow's school day start time. Frank Duresky commented on the amount of work that goes into after-school activity cancellations as well as late start or all-day cancellations. Not only is the safety of the students on the buses considered but also the age of the students arriving at their homes earlier than parents expecting them or able to meet them.

### **Consent Agenda:**

- 1. Approve Resolution accepting donations.
- 2. Approve American Indian Parent Advisory Committee Annual Resolution.
- 3. Approve first reading of the 2022-23 School Calendar.
- 4. Approve Request from the 11th Grade for Prom transportation.
- 5. Approve (4) Board-to-Board Open Enrollment students for the 2022-23 school year.

Motion made by Kevin Waldo, seconded by Rachel Jorgensen to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Action Items:**

 Approve teacher substitute rate of pay for \$140.00 a day and \$70.00 for a half day, effective March 1, 2022. For substitutes working 14+ consecutive days they will earn \$155.00 per day.

Motion made by Dawn Jensen, seconded by Rachel Jorgensen to approve teacher substitute rate increase, effective March 1, 2022. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Kevin Waldo, seconded by Rachel Jorgensen to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The next Regular School Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the School Media Center.