

**IND. SCHOOL DISTRICT #36  
KELLIHER PUBLIC SCHOOL  
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
MARCH 14, 2024**

The School Board of ISD #36, Kelliher, MN met February 15, 2024 in the School Media Center. The meeting was called to order by Chair Frank Duresky at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Mary Thayer, Rachel Jorgensen, Jake Neft, Dawn Jensen, Tessa Koisti and Paul Grams, Superintendent, Ex-Officio. Members absent: None.

Visitors: Devin Rennemo, Dawn Gehlert, Pennie Rude, Jamie Hand, Terra Frenzel, Tuija Mosier, Beth Skoe, Ella Thayer, Maleah Grundmeier, Grace Catt, Aubrey Waldo, Brandon Raincloud, Adian Raynor, and Aliza Lundin.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion by Rachel Jorgensen, second Dawn Jensen to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Dawn Jensen, second by Mary Thayer to approve the February 15, 2024 Regular Board Meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Rachel Jorgensen, second by Dawn Jensen to approve the February Treasurer's Report and February payroll and District bills in the amount of \$250,343.45. Motion passed unanimously.

**Comments from Visitors:**

1. Students from the Class of 2024 presented their Senior Class Trip to school board members and requested transportation and May 1-3, 2024 off of school, they will be leaving Wednesday and returning on Friday.
2. Beth Skoe on behalf of the Class of 2025 requested a donation from the District of \$1,000 in lieu of transportation as their Prom and Post-Prom will all be at the Kelliher School this year.

**Directors' Forum:**

1. Jake Neft and Mary Thayer commented on the great FFA Alumni & Supporters Banquet that was held.
2. Jake Neft also congratulated the Mustang Girls Basketball Team for their great season.

3. Mary Thayer commended Spanish Club Advisor for making the Spain trip possible and a great final meeting with parents of students attending. She also congratulated the Mustang Boys Basketball Team for their season and making the 1<sup>st</sup> playoff game.
4. Rachel Jorgensen commented on the amazing scholarship donation support we have from our community.
5. Dawn Jensen gave a shout out to our Robotics team, Bog Bots #6453, on their competition. They persevered through the competition and never gave up which was commendable.

**Committee Reports:**

1. Paul Grams reported the Tribal Consultation is being rescheduled.
2. Dawn Jensen reported the negotiation meeting with Kelliher Kids Childcare Center was very informative and they were able to come to an agreement with rate changes for staff and tuition.

**Principal's Report:**

1. Principal Sherri Dahl reported students attended the Young Authors Conference in Thief River Falls, MN.
2. ACT Testing for Junior class students was on March 12, 2024.
3. Ham Bingo as a community event will be held in the Kelliher School commons on March 21, 2024.
4. PBIS Trip - Tech Free Fridays was also held March 20, 2024 in Grand Forks, ND where they went to the waterpark.
5. Bryon Graves will visit students in grades 7-12 to discuss his book "Rez Ball" and sign the copies that were provided to students.
6. NHS Induction will be held March 27, 2024.
7. Grades K-6 will be traveling to Bemidji to watch the play "Alice in Wonderland" on April 9, 2024.
8. ALICE Training will be held March 28, 2024 in the morning for teachers, support staff, bus drivers, and substitutes. Dean of Students, Dan Alto, will be leading the training.
9. Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held in the afternoon of March 28, 2024 after the trainings in the morning.
10. March 22, 2024 is the end of 3rd Quarter for students.

**Superintendent's Report:**

1. Superintendent Paul Grams gave an enrollment update – current count is 303 students K through Grade 12, 339 total students including Early Childhood, which is a decrease of 21 students from the beginning of the school year.

2. A discussion was held on obtaining roof quotes for the Old School Center building.
3. The MIEA Conference is scheduled for April 17-19, 2024 and we have 6 attendees slotted to attend including both Kelliher staff and IEPAC Committee parents.
4. Paraprofessional training and certification through the Master Teacher program was discussed.
5. SEVP for foreign exchange students' ability to attend Kelliher School was discussed.

**Consent Agenda:**

6. Approve Resolution accepting donations.
7. Approve the 2024-25 school calendar.
8. Approve hire of Scott Waldo as trap league coach.
9. Increase Childcare Center hourly salaries \$2.00/ hr for the Subs, Aides, and Teachers and a \$3.00/hr for the Director.
10. Increase Kelliher Kids Childcare facility rates to \$3.00/day for preschool, toddler, and infant classrooms. Preschool/Toddler rate \$33.00/day, Infant rate \$38.00/ day. Daily drop-in rates remain an additional \$5.00/day.
11. Accept Resignation from paraprofessional Christi Edwards.
12. Accept Resignation from custodian Tim Barthel.
13. Accept Resignation from teacher Jennifer Mostad.
14. Approve increase of time for paraprofessional Beth Skoe to 100% full-time for the remainder of the school year.
15. Approve two Board-to-Board open enrollments. One (1) in Grade 1 and another (1) in Grade 10.

Motion made by Rachel Jorgensen, seconded by Dawn Jensen to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

**Action Items:**

Approve purchase kiln for \$8,287.46 for the Art Department.

Motion by Mary Thayer, seconded by Rachel Jorgensen to approve purchase of new kiln. Motion passed unanimously.

First reading and discussion of Policy 509 Enrollment of Nonresident Students.

Motion by Rachel Jorgensen, seconded by Jake Neft to include verbiage for extraordinary circumstances and reviewing policy again at next meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve purchase golf simulator for Athletic Department.

Motion by Rachel Jorgensen, seconded by Mary Thayer to approve purchase of a golf simulator.  
Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Jake Neft, seconded by Dawn Jensen to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The next Regular School Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 11, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the School Media Center.