

**IND. SCHOOL DISTRICT #36
KELLIHER PUBLIC SCHOOL
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2024**

The School Board of ISD #36, Kelliher, MN met August 8, 2024 in the School Media Center. The meeting was called to order by Chair Frank Duresky at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Frank Duresky, Rachel Jorgensen, Dawn Jensen, Mary Thayer, and Paul Grams, Superintendent, Ex-Officio. Members absent: Tessa Koisti and Jake Neft.

Visitors: Sherri Dahl and Aliza Lundin.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion by Dawn Jensen, second by Mary Thayer to approve the agenda with the addition of Superintendent's Report item regarding Goals. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Rachel Jorgensen, second by Dawn Jensen to approve the July 11, 2024 Regular Board Meeting and July 29, 2024 Board Retreat minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mary Thayer, second by Rachel Jorgensen to approve the July Treasurer's Report and July payroll and District bills in the amount of \$256,209.92. Motion passed unanimously.

Comments from Visitors:

1. None.

Directors' Forum:

1. Dawn Jensen commended the summer custodial staff on the cleaning and great upkeep of the school building.
2. Mary Thayer discussed Policy #103 regarding complaints the proper chain of command for school.

Committee Reports:

1. None.

Principal's Report:

1. Principal Sherri Dahl discussed the upcoming workshop week agenda.

2. An update was given for the BASC Project Application, which was submitted.
3. An update was given for the ADSIS Application, which was submitted.
4. An update was given for the Title Application, which has been accepted.
5. Dean of Students Dan Alto will be holding a Cell Phone Policy meeting with students and parents during Open House Night on August 28, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Superintendent's Report:

1. Superintendent Paul Grams discussed the September board meeting held 1 week later, on September 19, 2024, in order to include the reduced levy on proposed property tax statements.
2. A survey was presented that was given to staff on the new Hat Policy that went into effect last school year. The results were presented to the board, with positive feedback.
3. Staffing needs for the childcare center were discussed and hiring an additional teacher.
4. A discussion on committee assignments was held regarding splitting Old School Committee and Early Childhood Center as two committees as well as scheduling a Technology Committee meeting in the near future.
5. A discussion on District goals was held along with establishing as a standing report item for the FY25 school year. Holding all-staff meetings monthly and Paraprofessional meetings quarterly was agreed upon.

Consent Agenda:

1. Approve Resolution accepting donations.
2. Approve hiring Kristina Geer at the MS, Step 4 position of KEA agreement, pending appropriate license from PELSB.
3. Move September board meeting to Sep 19, 2024 to accommodate for the levy submission system.
4. Set Truth in Taxation (TNT) Meeting for 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 12, 2024.
5. Approve Transportation Director contract for 2024-26.
6. Approve revised Policy #750 Full-Time Bus Drivers.
7. Approve the 2024-25 Student Handbook.

Motion made by Rachel Jorgensen, seconded by Mary Thayer to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Action Items:

1. Discuss process and set staff meal reimbursement rates when traveling.

Motion by Dawn Jensen, seconded by Rachel Jorgensen to set meal per diem rates at \$15 for each Breakfast and Lunch; Supper at \$20. Other travel accommodations such as registration and hotel to use school credit card, meals to be requested as per diem and processed on employee's payroll. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Set substitute rates for the 2024-25 school year.

Sub. teacher: \$175.00/day

Sub. para/cook/custodian: \$19.50/hr.

Sub. bus driver: \$29.84/hr.

Sub. childcare aide: \$15.00/hr.

Sub. childcare teacher: \$18.00/hr.

Motion by Mary Thayer, seconded Rachel Jorgensen to approve 2024-25 substitute rates. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Consider four (4) board-to-board open enrollment students for grades 1, 4, 7, 8.

Motion by Rachel Jorgensen, seconded by Mary Thayer to approve enrollments for grades 1, 4, and 7 only. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Rachel Jorgensen, seconded by Dawn Jensen to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The next Regular School Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 19, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the School Media Center.