

**BOARD BRIEFS  
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 553  
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER BY THE PRESIDENT-** at 5:30 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

**ATTENDANCE & DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM-** All School Board Members plus Superintendent B. Novak, J. Brockway, M. Maki. Visitors B. Wellter, J. Karger, N. DeVillers, D. Salo.

**SETTING THE AGENDA TO DETERMINE THE ORDERS OF THE DAY-** Approved.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES-** Approved.

**BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND APPROVAL OF BILLS-**Approved.

**PRESENTATIONS** Technology-Nick DeVillers

**VISITOR COMMENTS-** Process to honor individual with school connections -Doug Salo

**REPORTS-** Administrative Reports- Elementary Principal- Paraprofessional week, Principal's book club, Eagle Academy, Superintendent- Legislative session, Staffing shortages; Business Office Report- January 1 enrollments, year end reports; School Board- MSBA Winter Conference, Committee Meeting- Personnel- 1/23/2023.

**OLD BUSINESS-** None.

**CONSENT ITEMS- CONTRACTS-** Lakeland Mental Health Center, Inc., **DONATIONS-** Anonymous Donation - \$1500 to three classrooms, Lakeshirts - Lot of shirts, G. & A. Esala - Treadmill and Elliptical, Lake Region Electric Cooperative- \$500 for scholarships. Approved.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**OUT OF DISTRICT BUS REQUESTS-** Elm Ave Ottertail, MN. Approved.

**RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REDUCTION IN PROGRAMS AND POSITIONS WITH REASONS THEREFORE-** Approved.

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS-** BET High School- 1/5/2023, BET Elementary- 12/20/2022 and 1/18/2023.

**PERSONNEL CONSENT ITEMS- APPOINTMENTS-** M. Schluttner- Assistant Speech Coach, W. Greiger - Jr. High Boys Basketball Coach, Z. Hocking - Paraprofessional, G. Barvels - Custodial, 10 hours per week; **RESIGNATIONS-** A. Frost - Paraprofessional, M. Costin - Head Women's Track; **LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUEST-** H. Windels, April 17, 2023-May 31, 2023; **CONTRACT CHANGES-** S. Maki, 30 hours to 20 hours per week; **LANE CHANGE REQUEST-** H. Tormanen- BA to BA+10, T. Lehti- BA to BA+10, M. Cichy- BA to BA+10, **REQUEST FOR TIME OFF W/O PAY-** K. Tervo- (one day). Approved.

**ADJOURNMENT-** 6:19 pm.



**UPCOMING MEETINGS**  
**Workshop - February 13, 2023 5:30 pm**  
**Regular Meeting – February 27, 2023 5:30 pm**