

**REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #242**

**January 14, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 pm by Chairman Merkouris. Members present were: Erkkila, Korman, Merkouris, Schmidt and Steele.

Members absent: Linn and Marschalk.

Others present were: Brian Shanks, Janet Bremseth, Paul Ragatz, Tanya Hemmingsen and Carol Thompson.

- 2019-07-072 Steele moved and Schmidt seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Approved.
- 2019-07-073 Korman moved and Steele seconded a motion to approve the financial reports and board minutes in the consent agenda as presented. Approved.
- 2019-07-074 Korman moved and Erkkila seconded a motion to designate the former city hall at 174 N. Broadway, Alden, MN as the combined polling place for school district elections for 2019. Approved.
- 2019-07-075 Korman moved and Erkkila seconded a motion to accept a \$5,000.00 donation from Freeborn County Partners in Prevention for the YAC group. Approved.

The second reading of the Pairing Agreement with Glenville-Emmons was discussed. Some changes were proposed and will be presented to Glenville-Emmons. This policy will govern current pairings as well as any future pairings.

- 2019-07-076 Steele moved and Erkkila seconded a motion to approve a FMLA Leave for Tessa Cummings. Approved.

The board received the results of the community survey on how to spend the remaining funds from the construction project that was approved during the November election. Mr. Shanks was directed by the board to get estimates on the cost for at least the top three items from the community survey so that info is available at the upcoming meeting. The Community Meeting will be Wed, Jan. 23 at 6:30 pm in the cafeteria.

Mr. Shanks presented an update on the 2018-19 budget.

Mr. Ragatz reported on the calendar for 2019-20, robotics, the spring musical on Mar. 8, 9 and 10, the NHS Red Out on Fri, Jan. 18, Snow Week which will be held Feb. 11-15 and is sponsored by the Student Council, the first competition for the 15 member Speech team is Feb. 2, Ryan Hansen is the AAA winner for our sub-region, and the end of 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter and 1<sup>st</sup> semester is this Friday, Jan. 18. He has also scheduled Jenny Hendrickson, the Freeborn County Partners in Prevention Coordinator, to provide a

presentation and training on student vaping and e-cigarettes while in the school for the 6-12 teaching staff on their workday, Jan. 21, 2019.

Mr. Shanks reported that we have two new staff members in the building, a student teacher with Mrs. Roberts and a long-term sub for Mrs. Cummings. The MSBA Conference is January 16-18 and he will be attending. He reminded everyone that the community meeting regarding the remaining building funds is Wed, Jan. 23 at 6:30 pm in the cafeteria. He will be setting up a joint powers meeting with the city soon.

2019-07-077 Steele moved and Erkkila seconded a motion to adjourn at 8:03 pm. Approved.

*(Board minutes are not official until approved at the next regular board meeting.)*