

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

April 9, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Chairman Merkouris. Directors present were: Knutson, Korman, Marschalk, Merkouris, Linn, Olson and Steele.

Directors absent: none.

Others present were: Brian Shanks, Janet Bremseth, Paul Ragatz, Lenny Diekmann, Carol Thompson, Tessa Cummings.

2018-10-096 Linn moved and Steele seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of item 11b – Diekmann coaching resignation. Approved.

Chairman Merkouris thanked the board members for attending the MSBA workshop and for working to make a better school.

2018-10-097 Korman moved and Olson seconded a motion to approve the financial reports and board minutes in the consent agenda as presented. Approved.

2018-10-098 Olson moved and Linn seconded a motion to approve a contract with Jolene Bute as Prom Coordinator. Approved.

2018-10-099 Marschalk moved and Steele seconded a motion to approve a contract with Taylor Lemke as Spanish teacher for 2018-19 as presented. Approved.

Alex Marschalk shared a plan he had discussed with Gary Wichmann and Brian Shanks about improvements to the football field that involved a walking path, steps up the hill and tiers for bleachers. Other options to the plan were discussed and a new cost estimate will be gotten.

2018-10-100 Korman moved and Olson seconded a motion to set the preschool fee for all open enrolled students at \$70.00 per month for two day a week pre-school and \$120.00 per month for three day a week pre-school. Approved.

2018-10-101 Steele moved and Linn seconded a motion to accept the resignation of Dustin Hellen as band teacher at the end of this school year. Approved.

2018-10-102 Olson moved and Marschalk seconded a motion to accept the resignation of Lenny Diekmann as junior high baseball coach effective immediately. Approved.

Mr. Ragatz gave his report to the board with information on the PTO fundraiser which raised about \$20,000.00; the robotics team competition, the State Science fair; the welding contest at Riverland; ACT testing; MCA testing; Band/Choir contest; Supermileage Team trip to Sonoma, CA; and the Speech Team season.

Tricia Linn gave a report on the success of the elementary wrestling program at their State Tournament this past weekend. Alden-Conger students wrestle with Albert Lea but we had several wrestlers place in the top five in their respective weight bracket.

Mr. Shanks reported that he has seven applicants for the band teacher position that is advertised, the Band & Choir are considering a trip to California in the spring of 2019, he and Mrs. Wallin are beginning registration for 2018-19 tomorrow and he has a MSBA Self-Evaluation that all board members should do. He would like the evaluations done by April 30. Registration includes 4 new classes this year and 10 semesters of concurrent class credit offerings.

2018-10-103 Korman moved and Linn seconded a motion to adjourn at 7:30 pm. Approved.