

FERTILE-BELTRAMI PUBLIC SCHOOL

Independent School District #599
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
7:00 p.m., January 9, 2017
Fertile-Beltrami School Conference Room

The Board of Education of Independent School District #599 met in regular session at 7:00 p.m., Monday, January 9, 2017. The following were present: Garth Kaste, Matt Erickson, Nathan Stuhaug, Joel Stola, Greg Bjerk, Kylie Strem, Nathan Rasch, Donna Genereux, Principal Messick, Dean Asmundson, and Superintendent Clarke.

Visitors: Joan Kronschabel

Chairman Kaste called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Election of Officers

Stuhaug nominated Erickson for chairperson, Stola moved, Bjerk seconded, nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast. UC

Kaste nominated Stuahug for vice-chairperson, Stola moved, Strem seconded, nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast. UC

Bjerk nominated Stola for clerk, Rasch moved, Stuhaug seconded, nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast. UC

Stuhaug nominated Bjerk for treasurer, Kaste moved, Rasch seconded, nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast.

Stuhaug moved, Stola seconded to set the board appointments and committees as follows:

Board Appointments:

Minnesota State High School League – Nathan Stuhaug
Legislative Liaison – Joel Stola, Garth Kaste
Pine to Prairie Vocational Board – Matt Erickson
Polk County Family Services Collaborative—Joel Stola

Board Committees:

Staff Development – Nathan Stuhaug, Joel Stola
Technology – Greg Bjerk, Strem, Rasch
Community Education – Matt Erickson, Joel Stola
Transportation – Nathan Stuhaug, Greg Bjerk & Matt Erickson
Facilities – Greg Bjerk, Kylie Strem & Matt Erickson
Negotiations – Nathan Stuhaug, Garth Kaste & Matt Erickson
Policy/Meet & Confer – Nathan Stuhaug, Matt Erickson & Garth Kaste
Discipline – Nathan Rasch, Kylie Strem & Greg Bjerk
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Stola moved, Strem seconded to designate the Fertile Journal as the official school newspaper and the Red River State Bank of Fertile and the PMA Financial Network, Inc.as the official depositories. UC

Bjerk moved, Rasch seconded to delegate the authority to make electronic transfers to the Superintendent, the bookkeeper will initiate electronic transfers upon approval of the superintendent. UC

Stola moved Stuhaug seconded to set the school board meetings and informational meetings for the Second Tuesday of each month at 8:00 p.m. from April through October and 7:00 p.m. from November through February, January, mtg on Monday, and March mtg on Monday (due to Township Elections), Informational Meetings- the 4th Tuesday of each month. UC

Stuhaug moved, Stola seconded to set the board per diem as \$75 per meeting, \$100 for meetings over 4 hours & board chair stipend of \$300. UC

Stuhaug moved, Bjerk seconded to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2016 regular meeting. UC

Stola moved, Strem seconded to approve the agenda as presented/amended. UC

The following made public comments: none.

Cash balances for December were reviewed.

Erickson moved, Kaste seconded to approve payment of the January bills in the amount of \$178,371.82 for checks 2634-2639, and 59033-59130. UC

Dean Asmundson reported on the following: AAA awards, gym space, bus cameras, make-up days.

Principal Messick reported on the following: AIW, Early Out Jan 11th, Staff Development Day Jan 16th, Principal's Academy Jan 25-26, and Text 4Life presentation.

Superintendent Clarke reported on the following: Long Term Facility Planning schedule- Community Listening Session 7-8:30 pm Feb 27th, Snow days/Calendar, Internet to Home grant award=\$41,922. Voluntary Pre-K Grant application due late January.

Member Stuhaug introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO MAKE
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REDUCTIONS IN PROGRAMS AND
POSITIONS AND REASONS THEREFOR.

WHEREAS, the financial condition of the school district dictates that the school board must reduce expenditures immediately, and

WHEREAS, there has been a reduction in student enrollment, and,

WHEREAS, this reduction in expenditures must include discontinuance of positions and discontinuance or curtailment of programs, and

WHEREAS, a determination must be made as to which teachers; contracts must be terminated and not renewed and which teachers may be placed on unrequested leave of absence without pay or fringe benefits in effecting discontinuance of positions,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 599, as follows:

That the School Board hereby directs the Superintendent of Schools and administration to consider the discontinuance of programs or positions to effectuate economies in the school district and reduce expenditures and, as a result of a reduction in enrollment, make recommendations to the school board for

the discontinuance of programs, curtailment of programs, discontinuance of positions or curtailment of positions.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Stola and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: All

and the following voted against the same: none
whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Bjerk moved, Strem seconded, to authorize the continued use of the 2016 check signature plate until a new one can be obtained. UC

Stola moved, Strem seconded, to approve the Seniority List for 2016-2017 School year.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m., February 14, 2017

Chairman Erickson adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

_____ Chairman _____ Clerk