

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 271
Bloomington, Minnesota**

October 14, 2019

- I. ROLL CALL Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, and there being a quorum present, the School Board of Independent School District 271, was called to order by Chair Maureen Bartolotta at 7:00 p.m. on October 14, 2019, in the Arlene Bush Board Room at the Educational Services Center, 1350 West 106th Street, Bloomington, Minnesota.
- Members Present Maureen Bartolotta, Chair; Dick Bergstrom, Vice Chair; Tom Bennett, Clerk; Jim Sorum, Treasurer; Beth Beebe, Nelly Korman and Dawn Steigauf.
- Administration Present Les Fujitake, Mary Burroughs and John Weisser.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Recited.
- Chair Maureen Bartolotta called for a motion to establish a closed session upon the conclusion of tonight’s School Board meeting of October 14, 2019. The meeting will be closed as permitted by section 13D.03 to discuss the District’s labor negotiation strategy related to the District’s negotiations with all bargaining groups. So moved by Dick Bergstrom and seconded by Dawn Steigauf. Motion carried unanimously.
- III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA Tom Bennett moved, Beth Beebe seconded, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
- IV. RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS/ STAFF/PUBLIC Jefferson Principal Dr. Jaysen Anderson introduced six students who are finalists in the 2020 National Merit Scholarship Program—Katelynn Brandwick, Jillayne Clarke, Colden Longley, Christopher Melville, Charles Weismann and Henry Weismann. These students are among the top one percent of all students in the country. Commended students include Timothy Leuth, Ashley Marker and Thomas Quiggle. These students are among the top five percent in the country.
- National Merit Scholars
- Technology Interns John Weisser, Executive Director of Technology and Information Services, and Mark Hinton, Technology Supervisor, highlighted the internship program and two students, Allicyn Ziebol and Kenneth Laophom, who were interns in the department from March 11 through June 5, 2019. Interns experience working on computer repair and a variety of other projects, such as coding, as part of their course of study and a goal they identified in their Personal Growth Plan (PGP).
- Lights On After School Proclamation Tom Bennett moved, Dick Bergstrom seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 authorizes the attached proclamation (on file) declaring the week of October 21, 2019, as “Lights On After School Week,” the 20th annual celebration of after school programs. Motion carried unanimously.

The event is a celebration of after school programs and promotes the critical importance of quality after school programs in the lives of youth, their families and their communities. Youth and Family Coordinators Kristie Christiansen and Kurt Christiansen accepted the proclamation and extended an invitation to a celebration on Friday, October 25, from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. at Oak Grove Middle School. The Bloomington Police and Fire Departments will be in attendance along with McGruff the Crime Dog. Last year approximately 150 people attended the event.

MSBA. Delegate
Assembly
Representatives

Chair Maureen Bartolotta announced that Nelly Korman, Beth Beebe and she have been selected by the Minnesota School Boards Association as Region 11 Representatives to the MSBA Delegate Assembly for two years, 2019 and 2020. The Bloomington School Board has three of the seven MSBA Region 11 Representatives.

Public

Six (6) students from Mr. Storlien's class at Jefferson attended the meeting fulfilling a requirement of our 12th grade government classes; observing a governmental meeting such as School Board, City Council, court proceedings.

V. PART A

1. *Board Business*
Minutes

- a. Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting held September 23, 2019.
- b. Licensed Personnel: Leave of Absence, Resignations, Employments, Correction. Classified Personnel: Termination, Retirement, Resignations, Employments, Changes of Status.

Personnel Actions

2. *Field Trips*

RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves field trips per the attached list (on file).

3. *Grants*
Education Foundation
of Bloomington

RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 accepts \$40,500 in grants from the Education Foundation of Bloomington to be used for selected educational projects.

4. *Contracts/Agreements*
Washburn Center
for Children 2019-2020

- a. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Contractual Agreement between Washburn Center for Children and Independent School District 271 for the 2019-2020 school year.

Water's Edge
Counseling & Healing
Center 2019-2020

- b. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the agreement with Water's Edge Counseling and Healing Center to provide services at Jefferson High School and Olson Middle School for the 2019-2020 school year.

5. *Finance*
Booster Clubs
2019-2020

RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the attached (on file) lists of Booster Clubs for Kennedy and Jefferson High Schools for the 2019-2020 school year. This resolution is a requirement of Board Policy 510.

Dick Bergstrom moved, Beth Beebe seconded, to approve Part A items in accordance with all of the written material submitted to the School Board. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. PART B

Next Technologies
for Learning Update

John Weisser, Executive Director of Technology and Information Services and Katrina Mezera, Digital Learning & Data Manager, updated the School Board on Next Technologies for Learning (NTL) work by providing a look at the last five years and a look ahead to the next five years. The 2013 Referendum supported safe and innovative schools. NTL focuses on personalized learning to support students along their pathway to career and college readiness. Components included digital content, anytime/anywhere learning and personalized data. First five years—Device rollout is complete; 82% of students in grades 3-12 report using digital content in three or more classes per day on the average. Internet access—in 2013 5% of students needed help; in 2019 2% of students need help. Flex spaces have been provided at all schools. Online courses have been offered with 49 different courses available; 839 students took one or more classes in 2018-2019; there was a 77% drop in students taking online courses outside of Bloomington Public Schools. The HUB has been accessed by students—3300 logins/week; parents—1,025 logins per week; 13,000 email digests/week. Next five years focus components—student centered, creative problem solvers, empowering data. Student centered focuses on courses and content , course development for online learning. Creative problem solvers include Computer Science programs for grades K-12. Currently, Indian Mounds and Poplar Bridge elementary schools are piloting programs. Empowering Data will include information on the HUB to include K-12 year-end reports, an early childhood information system and a graduate longitudinal data system.

MSHSL Foundation
Grant Application

Dick Bergstrom moved, Dawn Steigauf seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 authorizes administration at Kennedy High School and Jefferson High School to submit a grant application to the Minnesota State High School League Foundation requesting financial support for high school youth to participate in athletics and fine arts programs. The School Board supports the resolution attached to the grant application to offset student activity fees. Motion carried unanimously.

The grant application to the Minnesota State High School League Foundation requests funds to support extracurricular participation by high school students in athletic and fine arts programs. A “Form A” grant application will be completed for each high school to offset student activity fees for Kennedy and Jefferson students.

VII. BOARD MEMBER
REPORTS

School Board members reported on various meetings and activities. Dick Bergstrom reminded the public about school bus safety and the proper response for stop arms/flashing red lights on buses. Beth Beebe attended an informal meeting of BSAC and a negotiations session. Nelly Korman reported on an AMSD meeting and one at Civic Plaza at which topics included Census 2020; the census will be conducted April through August 2020; there will be seven questions on the survey.

Tom Bennett highlighted the Valley View Elementary PTA meeting and the fall carnival, attended the Kennedy High School homecoming and dance, a tour of the new trades labs, and National Honor Society induction. He reported that there have been two negotiations sessions with the custodian/transportation employee unit and another session is scheduled for next week. Dawn Steigauf attended Olson Middle School's "Step It Up" event, highlighted an early childhood program visit at Indian Mounds, a meeting of the Special Education Community Advisory Council that included a presentation on applications available for student information, and the PTSA Council that included a presentation on vaping.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Les Fujitake reported that today Jefferson High School was host to the Edina Office of Coldwell Banker Burnett Realty that included a presentation on PGP (Personal Growth Plan) and a school tour conducted by Principal Dr. Jaysen Anderson. The second meeting of Commissioner Ricker's School Finance Working Group is October 17.

IX. OTHER

None.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the School Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m. A closed session for negotiations discussion followed the meeting.

Tom Bennett, Clerk