

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

June 14, 2021

I. ROLL CALL

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, and there being a quorum present, the virtual School Board meeting of Independent School District 271 was called to order by Chair Nelly Korman at 7:00 p.m. on June 14, 2021.

Chair Korman announced that the School Board meeting tonight is being conducted remotely via Google Meet; it is being live streamed by BEC TV and will be replayed per the usual BEC TV replay schedule.

Chair Korman stated: We acknowledge that Bloomington Public Schools rests on the traditional, ancestral and contemporary land of the Dakota. The name of our state is Mni Sota Makoce, Land where the waters reflect the skies or clouds. Mni means water; Sota means clear, but not perfectly so, cloudy. Makoce means a place, land or country. Recognizing the land is an expression of gratitude and appreciation to those whose territory we reside on, and a way of honoring the Indigenous people.

Members Present
on Roll Call

Nelly Korman, Chair; Dawn Steigauf, Vice Chair; Heather Starks, Clerk; Beth Beebe, Treasurer; Directors Tom Bennett, Mia Olson, and Jim Sorum.

Attorney Present:

David Holman.

Administration
Present:

Jenna Mitchler, Mary Burroughs, Dave Heistad, Rick Kaufman, John Weisser, and Rod Zivkovich.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recited.

III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chair Nelly Korman moved to amend the agenda by removing two items from Part A; Panorama Education Agreements, items "n." and "o." Beth Beebe seconded. On roll call vote, all directors voted aye. Nelly Korman moved, Dawn Steigauf seconded to approve the agenda as amended. On roll call vote, all directors voted aye.

IV. RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS/STAFF/PUBLIC

Chair Korman recognized BEC TV (Bloomington Educational Cable Television) for three recent awards in this year's "Best of the Midwest" Media Fest. Awards include the following: BEC-TV staff for their role in the district's back-to-school community engagement events; BEC-TV student volunteer techs for their productions: *Inside Football*, a live weekly dive into Bloomington's football programs. The show is hosted by veteran BEC-TV announcer and Jefferson graduate Josh Powers. The student crew was led by Kennedy senior Andrew Grund. *Swimming coverage* of nearly every boys and girls Jefferson and Kennedy swim meet this year. Oak Grove Middle School eighth grader Lucas Kreig and student producer and senior Zach Vacura led the team of students who created the live productions.

Public Chair Korman reviewed the current procedure for recognizing comments from the public. Bill Schwandt, President of Bloomington Federation of Paraprofessionals, submitted a comment in support of settling the contract.

V. PART A

1. *Board Business*

Minutes

- a. Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting May 24, 2021.
- b. Licensed Personnel: Resignations, Leave of Absence, Employments, Changes of Status, Rescission of Non-Renewal of Probationary Teacher. Independent Personnel: Resignation. Classified Personnel: Termination, Retirement, Resignations, Employments, Changes of Status, Reductions in Force.

Personnel Actions

District Association Memberships 2021-2022

- c. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the following association memberships for the 2021-2022 school year: Minnesota School Boards Association, \$15,156.00 and Association of Metropolitan School Districts, \$11,798.00.

MSHSL Membership 2021-2022

- d. RESOLVED, that the Governing Board of Independent School District 271 (Board), County of Hennepin, State of Minnesota, delegates the control, supervision and regulation of interscholastic athletic and fine arts events (referred to in MN Statutes, Section 128C.01) to the Minnesota State High School League (League), and so hereby certifies to the State Commissioner of Education as provided for by Minnesota Statutes. FURTHER RESOLVED, that John F. Kennedy High School and Thomas Jefferson High School are authorized by the Board to renew membership in the League and authorizes participation in the approved interschool activities sponsored by said League and its various subdivisions. FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board adopts the Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of said League and all amendments thereto as the same as are published in the latest edition of the League's *Official Handbook*, on file at the office of the School District or as it appears on the League's website, as the minimum standards governing participation in said League-sponsored activities and that the administration and responsibility for determining student eligibility and for the supervision of such activities are assigned to the official representative identified by the Board.

2. *Contracts/Agreements*

A+ Driving School

- a. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves renewing the agreement with A+ Driving School to provide classroom and behind-the-wheel driving instruction. The term of this agreement is from July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2023.

CETP Project

- b. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Site Agreement between Community Technology Empowerment Project (CTEP), an AmeriCorps program of Saint Paul Neighborhood Network and Independent School District 271, with respect to the assignment of one (1) CTEP AmeriCorps Member to perform services for the 2021-2022 school year to help to improve technology literacy to our program participants.

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| PICA/Head Start
Pond Center | c. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the renewal of a Letter of Agreement with Parents in Community Action, Inc. (PICA) to operate Head Start programs and other family and early childhood development programs within the District. Further, to facilitate the provision of such services, the District and PICA have entered into a License Agreement wherein the District has agreed to grant to PICA the use of classroom space at Pond Family Learning Center. The effective dates of both the Letter of Agreement and the License Agreement are from July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022. |
| PICA/Head Start
Children's Transition
Kindergarten and Track
Student Data
Pond Center | d. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Memorandum of Understanding between Parents in Community Action, Inc. (PICA) and Independent School District 271 to help children transition to kindergarten from PICA Head Start and to track the progress of Head Start children throughout their elementary education. The Memorandum is effective from July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022. |
| PICA/Head Start
Southwood Center | e. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the renewal of a Letter of Agreement with Parents in Community Action, Inc. (PICA) to operate Head Start programs and other family and early childhood development programs within the District. Further, to facilitate the provision of such services, the District and PICA have entered into a License Agreement wherein the District has agreed to grant to PICA the use of classroom space at Southwood Early Learning Center. The effective dates of both the Letter of Agreement and the License Agreement are from July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022. |
| PICA/Head Start
Special Education
Southwood Center | f. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the renewal of the Memorandum of Understanding between Parents in Community Action, Inc. (PICA) and Independent School District 271 to help facilitate the recruitment, enrollment and inclusion of children with special education needs into Early Head Start and Head Start programs at Southwood. The Memorandum is effective from July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022. |
| Headway Mental
Health Services | g. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves a contract with Headway Emotional Health Services to provide family community support and mental health services to students for extended school year services (ESY). This contract is for the period of June 14, 2021, through August 27, 2021. |
| Headway District
Facilities & Ancillary
Support | h. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves a contract for Headway Emotional Health Services for the use of District facilities, ancillary support and collaboration services. This contract is for the period June 14, 2021, through August 27, 2021. |
| Student Teaching
Concordia College | i. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves a Student Teaching Agreement with Concordia University. The agreement will be in effect from July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2024. |
| Learning A-Z Order
Terms of Service | j. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Learning A-Z Order that includes Terms of Service to purchase Learning A-Z software for our elementary schools. This order is effective July 14, 2021, through June 30, 2022. |
| Code Savvy | k. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the agreement with Code Savvy for consultation on development of computer science after school and summer programming. |

Normandale College
Concurrent Enrollment
Jefferson

l. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Income Contract with the State of Minnesota acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities on behalf of Normandale Community College for Concurrent Enrollment Programming at Jefferson High School for the 2021-2022 school year.

Normandale College
Concurrent Enrollment
Kennedy

m. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Income Contract with the State of Minnesota acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities on behalf of Normandale Community College for Concurrent Enrollment Programming at Kennedy High School for the 2021-2022 school year.

Nelly Korman moved, Dawn Steigauf seconded, to approve Part A items in accordance with all of the written material submitted to the School Board. On roll call vote, all directors voted aye.

VI. PART B

MDH Emergency
Contract-Vaccination
Clinics at Valley View
Middle School

Mia Olson moved, Dawn Steigauf seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Emergency Contract between the State of Minnesota, acting through its Commissioner of the Department of Health, and Independent School District 271 to provide a public walk-up indoor COVID-19 testing venue and a community-based site for medical professionals to provide COVID-19 vaccination services at Valley View Middle School. The Emergency Contract expired May 22, 2021. On roll call vote, all directors voted aye.

The State of Minnesota Emergency Contract provides for a community-based site to provide COVID-19 testing as well as a site for medical professionals to provide COVID-19 vaccination services at Valley View Middle School. The State elected not to provide COVID testing after the contract was written. First dose vaccinations took place on April 30 and May 1, 2021, and second-dose vaccinations took place on May 21 and May 22, 2021. The State had full use of gymnasium A/B for registration and vaccine administration, gymnasium C for site storage and vaccine preparation, gymnasium D for an observation period waiting room and medical aid station, room 131 for a staff break area, and use of the hallways and restroom around the stated event areas. The State will pay the district \$3,855.00 for first and second dose dates. The District was responsible for initial cleaning of the site prior to the vaccination event as well as custodial services for nightly sanitation throughout the term of the contract. The District did not receive the Emergency Contract from the State until June 3, 2021. At the April 26, 2021 School Board meeting, Superintendent Les Fujitake was granted authorization to sign an Amendment to the Emergency Contract for the clinic being held on April 30 and May 1, 2021. The State did not send an Amendment but issued a new Emergency Contract that covers the vaccination dates of April 30, May 1, May 21 and May 22, 2021.

Vendors & Rates
District Insurance
2021-2022

Tom Bennett moved, Dawn Steigauf seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the vendors and rates for District insurance for the 12-month period from July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, per the attached Memo (on file).

1. RAS/First Dakota Indemnity Company – Workers Compensation Insurance Policy
2. Kraus-Anderson Insurance – COMPTRON Workers Compensation Claims Management and Loss Prevention Program
3. Markel Insurance Company – Blanket Accident Policy - Special Risk for Registered Volunteer Workers
4. Travelers – Fiduciary Liability for Self-Funded Health Insurance Plan

On roll call vote all directors voted aye.

On May 10, 2021, the Board approved a motion for vendors and rates for District group insurance. This is Part 2, which includes Workers Compensation (including Claims Management and Loss Prevention Program), Volunteer Workers/Blanket Accident, Fiduciary Liability, and ERISA Bond. The attached Memo (on file) provides the specifics of the recommended resolution, as well as significant background information.

Preliminary
Budget 2021-2022
Presentation

Rod Zivkovich, Executive Director of Finance and Support Services, presented in detail the preliminary 2021-2022 budgets, which included budget areas as follows: *General Fund*—General Operations and Transportation, Operating Capital, Deferred Maintenance (pay-as-you-go), Capital Projects (Technology and Security) and Student Activities. *Food Service, Community Education*—Programming and Support Services. *Alternative Facilities (Bond Proceeds), Debt Service, Insurance and Internal Services*—Self Insured Dental, Self-Insured Medical, Severance and Vacation Accrual. *Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust and OPEB Debt Service.*

General Fund information: Revenue sources—State 71.8%, Levy 20.3% and Other 2.2%. For 2021-2022, revenue budget is \$152.9 and expenditure budget is \$156.6. Expenditures by Program: Regular Instruction 48.3%; Special Education and Vocational Services 26.0%; Instructional and Student Support 9.2%; Operations 5.4%; Transportation 5.3%; Administration 3.8%; District Support 1.5%; Other 0.5%.

Action requesting School Board adoption of 2021-2022 budgets for all funds will be brought forth at the June 28th School Board meeting.

Workforce
Development
Information System
Presentation

The School Board received a presentation on the Workforce Development Information System. Dr. Dave Heistad, Executive Director of Research, Evaluation and Assessment, presenters Dr. Julio Caesar, Research Scientist, Mr. Nick Maryns from InsightWorks. The purpose for this research is to answer the question “how can we use an information system to rigorously evaluate K-12 workforce programs to generate the highest possible results.” Dr. Caesar provided information on graduation—84% of Minnesota seniors in 2019 graduated. The Minnesota annual four-year graduation rate 2016-2019 was 83-84% of which 66-69% of grads enrolled in college. Only 16% of children who grow up in poverty manage to become economically successful adults. Lack of skilled workers is one of the biggest threats to the economy.

The Workforce Development System will be designed to provide data to help continuously improve the K-12/Higher Education workforce development system. Research agreements are needed to access data to longitudinally track a student's progress to career (Pathways) and/or college. The District is working with the Minnesota Department of Education, Office of Higher Education, DEED, Hennepin County and Normandale Community College. Mr. Maryns provided preliminary return on investment results. Compared to a state-matched sample, Bloomington Career and College Academy students show a higher percent of students going on to college.

VII. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Beth Beebe highlighted graduation ceremonies for Jefferson and Kennedy high schools and Project SEARCH. Mia Olson reported on her tour of the Mille Lacs Ojibwe Indian Museum with Hiedi Hecker and some teachers.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Jenna Mitchler, Assistant Superintendent, commented that this school year has ended and now staff is focused on summer programming serving more students than in the past.

IX. OTHER

None.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the School Board, Nelly Korman moved, Beth Beebe seconded, to adjourn the meeting. On roll call vote, all directors voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Heather Starks, Clerk