

Regular School Board Meeting, February 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 32 was held on Monday, February 13, 2017 at 7:00 in the Media Center.

Members present: Cynthia Nord, Grant Mystic, Bob Klug Jr., Rachel Larson, Donna Stroeing and Superintendent Mark Lundin.

Members Absent: Chris Henriksen

I. The meeting was called to order by C. Nord at 7:00 p.m.

II. Motion was made by G. Mystic, seconded by R. Larson to move items 11 & 12 under items for individual action to items for discussion and to add items 3 (advertising) and 4 (bus drivers) under items for discussion. Motion approved unanimously.

III. Motion was made by R. Larson, seconded by G. Mystic to approve the minutes. Motion approved unanimously.

IV. Chairperson's Announcements

A. Good Things Happening

1. Elementary students participated in the Elementary Science Fair on January 13th. Congratulations to Jaret Swedberg, Kendra Sparby, Nevaeh Hassel, Larissa Patch, Cierra Aery, Erika Slogar and Kenna Tracy who will go on the Regional Science Fair at BSU on February 17th.
2. The Drakes Speech Team has placed high in all tournaments so far this season - including taking 3rd place at McGregor with only five speakers attending with assistant coach, Kelly Metzler! The week before they finished 2nd in Grand Rapids and prior to that 6th in Pequot Lakes. Very good results for an early season start. Saturday and today - the Drakes hosted a Varsity and a Junior High Tournament with more than 200 people attending each day!
3. Robin Mystic has written and received a \$1,000 grant from the Beltrami Electric Round Up program. Money was used to buy more hands on technology for elementary aged students, and will be added to the technology cart containing the OSMOS & iPads that she purchased last year using the Donor's Choose donation website. By the end of February, Mrs. Mystic plans on having small groups of students ready to stay after school to teach the Targeted Services students how to use the new technology. Eventually she would like to have her students go in to K-6 classrooms to help teach others about the new technology

4. Robin Mystic wrote and received a grant from the Upper Red Lake Association. The money was used for nonfiction books in her classroom. All books purchased through this grant were researched prior to purchase, and are at a first or second grade level. Another \$200 was donated from an elementary mini grant so Mrs. Mystic will have \$700 in new nonfiction books! These books will be shared with both second grade classrooms.

5. Jannessa Moris and Robin Mystic wrote and received a \$450 grant from MN Agriculture in the Classroom. Money was used to purchase 2 classroom sets (each) of books related to agriculture and environmental themes. Rachel Gray is Blackduck School's resource person and has been meeting with Jannessa and Robin for the past several months to try to get more funding for agricultural science in the classrooms. She is currently investigating possible funding sources for incubators, grow lights for plants, a recycling program, soil and water educational materials, field trips to farms, and the possibility of doing "Farm Snack Fridays" in the elementary in conjunction with the high school FFA students.

6. Nate Lien reports that we are receiving a donation of 18-19 computers from Synopsys, Inc. The computers will be used to replace the ones in Mr. Berg's Cad Lab. Robotics will also be using the new machines.

7. Congratulations to Blackduck Business Professionals of America team members who competed among 12 schools and 278 students at region contest. Torch award winners were Ellie Cleveland and Madi Bertram. Ellie Cleveland took first place in Advanced Interview and third place in Business Law Ethics. Kialee Brands took second place in Basic Office Procedures and fourth place in Business Law Ethics. Great job team and way to represent Blackduck at its first ever BPA regional tournament.

8. The BCLB Bears wrestling club hosted the Blackduck Youth Wrestling Tournament Saturday, January 28th. We had approximately 280 youth wrestlers competing. We could never have done it without all the help from our volunteers and wrestlers. Thanks to all.

9. Congratulations to Michaela Sparby for being selected a finalist for the MSHSL AAA award for Sub-Section 29.

10. The new heating system at the bus garage is now up and running and saving us money in fuel costs.

B. Open Comments from General Participation

V. Motion was made by G. Mystic, seconded by R. Larson to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion approved unanimously.

VI. Meeting Agenda

A. Consent Agenda

1. Consider approving open enrollments for the 2016/17 school year.
2. Approve January bills

Motion was made by B. Klug Jr., seconded by R. Larson to approve the consent agenda items. Motion approved unanimously.

C. Items for Individual Action

1. Motion was made by G. Mystic, seconded by R. Larsson to accept the resignation of the HS Art Teacher effective February 3, 2017. Motion approved unanimously.
2. Motion was made by B. Klug Jr., seconded by R. Larson to advertise for a .68 FTE HS Art Teacher for the remainder of the 2016/17 school year. Motion approved unanimously.
3. Motion was made by R. Larson, seconded by G. Mystic to accept the resignation of the Elementary Robotics Coach. Motion approved unanimously.
4. Motion was made by R. Larson, seconded by D. Stroeing to advertise for an Elementary Robotics Coach for the 2017/18 School year. Motion approved unanimously.
5. Motion was made by G. Mystic, seconded by R. Larson to accept the resignation of the Head Girl's/Asst. Boy's Golf Coach effective with the 2016/17 season. Motion approved unanimously.
6. Motion was made by R. Larson, seconded by D. Stroeing to reassign Jeremy Berg to Head Golf Coach for the 2016/17 season, Level II, 9+ years, \$3,746. Motion approved unanimously.
7. Motion was made by B. Klug Jr., seconded by G. Mystic to accept the Notice of Desire to Negotiate from the Blackduck Education Association. Motion approved unanimously.
8. Motion was made by B. Klug Jr., seconded by R. Larson to accept the Notice of Desire to Negotiate from the Blackduck School Bus Drivers Association. Motion approved unanimously.
9. Motion was made by G. Mystic, seconded by R. Larson to hire Amelia Dernier as a HS SPED para, for 7.84 hours per student contact day effective February 14, 2017. Motion approved unanimously.
10. Motion was made by B. Klug Jr., seconded by R. Larson to reduce Denise Kloeckner from 8 to 5.25 hours per student day effective February 1, 2017. Motion approved unanimously.

11. Moved to items for discussion

12. Moved to items for discussion

13. Motion was made by G. Mistic, seconded by R. Larson to approve the 2016/17 summer Targeted Services schedule along with \$2,500 supply allowance. Motion approved unanimously.

14. Motion was made by G. Mistic, seconded by B. Klug Jr. to hire Janelle Lundin as a .68 FTE H.S. Art Teacher at BS step 2 of the teacher contract. Motion approved unanimously.

15. Motion was made by B. Klug Jr., seconded by R. Larson to request a bid from our primary food vendor. Motion approved unanimously.

C. Items for Discussion

1. Future warming house costs – No action taken
2. Potential revisions to a High School teachers contract – No action taken
3. Advertising – No action taken
4. Bus drivers – No action taken

VII. Reports

- A. Principals' Reports provided by Mark Lundin
- B. Enrollment Reports
- C. CE/AD Report provided by Ryan Grow
- D. Superintendent's Report provided by Mark Lundin

VIII. Communications

IX. Future Meetings

- A. The next Regular School Board Meeting will be March 13th.

