

Schoolcraft Learning Community
School Board Meeting Minutes
09-16-2003 Paris
6:00 pm

Call to Order

Attendance

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kent Nerburn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ken Grantier	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kris Kolar
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Greg Moen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Conway	<input type="checkbox"/> Frank Moe
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gerry Hoyum	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lisa Graefe	

Staff Present: Scott Anderson, Rita Fauchald, Shar Paquette, Barb Houg

Guests Present: Martin Graefe, Wendy Thompson, Rebecca Snyder, Dawn Kovacovich, Louise Mengelkoch

Kris Kolar called the meeting to order.

Opening Reading: Kent Nerburn

Guests and delegations

Wendy Thompson, Dawn Kovacovich and Rebecca Snyder from the ISD 31 referendum committee - no formal board action taken at this time.

Louise Mengelkoch - Trek North - suggested sending representatives to each other's board meetings to further communication - 1st Tuesday of every month, 6:00 PM at Trek North. We are open with 160 students, all got laptops, location presents challenges, lunch program is in place, things are proceeding.

Questions/Comments - 5 minutes each - 30 minutes total: none

Request to remove topic(s) from Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda

Minutes from August 18, 2003 meeting

Current Bills and Checks

School Business Bulletin No. 25 - Schoolcraft is one of the first districts statewide to have completed the FY 03 data. Great job!

Kent Nerburn moved to pass the consent agenda. Lisa Graefe seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

Grant update - Barb - see enclosed

Year-end report - draft copy - final copy due October 1, 2003. Please give feedback to Scott or Barb within the next couple of weeks. Kent Nerburn asked about the 5th grade test scores. Great job Barb!

Board Composition - Frank Moe emailed his resignation. Greg stated that he feels we need to table it because we do not have an actual letter. Kris Kolar

will call Frank to ask for a signed letter of resignation which we would vote on at the October meeting.

2 choices - appoint someone to fill the position, or leave it open until April, when Frank's position would be up for re-election.

Kent Nerburn spoke in opposition to appointing anyone to fill the potential open position.

Gerry Hoyum moved that we leave Frank Moe's position open until the April elections, provided we receive a signed resignation letter from Frank Moe. Greg Moen seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Board retreat/training - Barb Houg - Lisa Graefe spoke in favor of having additional training/retreat time - we need to develop ends policies. We need to further develop the governance issues before we can actually do some long-range planning. Kris Kolar would like to brainstorm more "agenda items" for the master calendar at a board training. MACS is doing a Carver training on Dec. 5-6. Maybe we should plan a retreat after the first of the year, and see how many people can attend the MACS conference on Carver.

Carolyn Jacobs letter - Greg Moen received a letter regarding the French program here at Schoolcraft. This issue has been referred to Scott and the site-based management team.

The evolution of the French program was discussed.

Changes in contract salaries - increases due to additional graduate credits earned.

Gerry - 6 credits

Greg - 3 credits

Lisa Graefe moved to accept the amended contracts for Greg Moen and Gerald Hoyum. Kent Nerburn seconded. Motion carried. Greg Moen and Gerry Hoyum abstained.

Transportation update - see enclosed letter. Kent Nerburn moved that the board strongly support Scott in his efforts to pursue continued extracurricular busing contracted from the district at his discretion. Gerry Hoyum seconded. Ken Grantier was concerned about the agreement with Blom's bus service, and what would happen if we did resume with the district. Kent Nerburn stated he is more in favor of supporting Scott than he is afraid of the outcome of such support. Kris Kolar stated she agreed with Ken Grantier to protect the contract with Blom's bus service. Motion carried with 1 opposed - Kris Kolar.

Old Business

MN State Arts Board Grant - Lisa Graefe moved that we approve acceptance of this grant. Ken Grantier seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee Reports

Finance - Rita

Documentation of financial status has to be submitted to the newspaper by October 1, 2003. see enclosed - form was approved by the auditor. Formal audit most likely will be presented in October.

PAC - Shar - positive movement within the group is noted. Fall Festival and kick-off of fall fundraiser are scheduled for September 27th.
Policy Committee - Lisa Graeffe - ad hoc committee - proposed scheduling a meeting to verify what committees need to be set before a board vote in October.
Lisa Graefe, Kris Kolar, Barb Houg - will post the time for the meeting.

Additional Items:

* Please come to the ELOB demonstration site seminar dinner - email Shar if you are going to attend.

* MN Dept. of Ed. requirement to say the pledge of allegiance. The board can waive this option; Lisa Graefe suggested we say it in French.

Adjourn: Ken Grantier moved to adjourn, Kent Nerburn seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Shar Paquette