

Regular Board of Education Meeting
Tri-County School District 2358
February 17, 2015, 7:00 p.m.
Staff Work Room

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Wikstrom at 7:00 p.m. and a quorum was determined. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Burkel, Koland, Murray, Olson, Regalado, Swenson, Chair Wikstrom, Superintendent Ruud and Principal Sorgaard were present.

WE ARE PROUD OF ...

- 22 students, grades 5-7, participated in the Tri-County Spelling Bee on Friday, Jan. 30, 2015. Christian Boen won the Spelling Bee on the 13th round with the word: full-fledged. Halle Duray was runner-up.

The participants were:

Grade 5:

Paulina Berggren, Austin Kautzman, Damon Slaathaug, Hayden Rinde

Grade 6:

Anton Budziszewski, Halle Duray, Tommy Hanson, Keaton Klegstad, Tori Peterson, Jaacks Spilde, Jасkson Spilde

Grade 7:

Hailley Anderson, Hailey Barth, Christian Boen, Christopher Bristlin, Stephen Budziszewski, Tucker Hanson, Stephen Murray, Jada O'Malley, BreAnna Rinde, Kylie Shelter, Desiree Wybie

Christian competed in the Regional Spell Bee on Wed, Feb. 11 at Northland Community & Technical College in Thief River Falls.

- I am proud of the sixth graders for donating \$300.00 to the PFP program. Average of \$30.00 dollars per student! I am also very proud of how well behaved and hard working this group is.
- We are proud of Michael Thompson for his performance in the All-State Mixed Chorus concert held at Orchestra Hall in Minneapolis on Saturday, Feb 14th. This was the culmination of rehearsals that began last August at Concordia College with All-State Choir camp. Michael represented Tri-County with honor and the concert was spectacular!

We are proud of Adam Thompson for his performance in the ACDA Mixed Honor Choir, which was held at Central Lutheran Church in Minneapolis (right beside the Minneapolis Civic Center). They rehearsed the music that they prepared in advance, all day on Thursday, Feb. 12th and gave a concert at 5:30. Adam represented Tri-County with honor and the concert was incredible!

We are proud of Josie Nobles, a junior saxophone player, for being the first student ever selected to perform in the Concordia Honor Band. This band is chosen from recorded auditions from six states. Josie will rehearse with the band during the weekend of April 10-12 and will give a concert on the 12th.

We are proud of Mr. Ruud being inducted into the Bemidji State University Hall of Fame for education.

Member Regalado moved, Member Swenson seconded to approve the minutes of the January 20, 2015 Reorganizational and Regular meeting. **UC**

Member Burkel moved, Member Wikstrom seconded to authorize payment for claims in the following funds: **UC**

| | <u>Last Year</u> | <u>This Year</u> |
|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| GENERAL | \$104,784.22 | \$61,292.37 |
| FOOD SERVICE | 7,845.99 | 11,371.99 |
| COMMUNITY SERVICE | 141.22 | 4,754.61 |
| Extra January Bill | <u>0.00</u> | <u>1,754.61</u> |
| TOTAL | \$112,771.43 | \$79,174.58 |

Visitors present were Brad Thompson, Ann Thompson, Michael Wade, Ardis Hanson, Ryan Baron, Laura Efta, Heidi Hanson & Marian Berggren.

Member Murray moved, Member Swenson seconded to close the meeting at 7:05 p.m. to discuss student private data. **UC**

Member Regalado moved, Member Burkel seconded to open the meeting at 7:23 p.m. **UC**

Member Burkel moved, Member Olson seconded to approve the agenda as presented. **UC**

Member Swenson moved, Member Regalado seconded to adopt the 2014-15 final budget as presented by Superintendent Ruud. **UC**

| <u>PRELIMINARY REVENUE FOR 2014-15</u> | | <u>PRELIMINARY EXPENDITURES FOR 2014-15</u> | |
|---|--------------------|--|--------------------|
| General Fund | 3,241,124 | General Fund | 3,284,860 |
| Food Service | 119,150 | Food Service | 123,242 |
| Community Service | 51,038 | Community Service | 52,235 |
| Bonds | <u>209,623</u> | Bonds | <u>179,553</u> |
| Total | \$3,620,935 | Total | \$3,639,890 |

| <u>FINAL REVENUE FOR 2014-15</u> | | <u>FINAL EXPENDITURES FOR 2014-15</u> | |
|---|--------------------|--|--------------------|
| General Fund | 2,960,879 | General Fund | 3,153,965 |
| Food Service | 145,100 | Food Service | 142,000 |
| Community Service | 63,893 | Community Service | 60,681 |
| Bonds | <u>278,946</u> | Bonds | <u>208,280</u> |
| Total | \$3,448,818 | Total | \$3,564,926 |

Member Burkel moved, Member Regalado seconded to adopt calendar #2 for the 2015-16 school year. The details are on file in the superintendent's office. **UC**

Member Murray moved, Member Olson seconded to combine the Superintendent and Principal positions into one administrative position starting with the 2015-16 school year. **UC**

Member Swenson moved, Member Olson seconded to dissolve the principal position as an independent position within the school district and create a Dean of Students position.

Member Murray introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION DISCONTINUING AND REDUCING
EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND POSITIONS**

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 2358 adopted a resolution on February 17, 2015, directing the administration to make recommendations for reductions in programs and positions, and

WHEREAS, said recommendations have been received and considered by the school board,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2358, as follows:

That the following programs and positions, or portions thereof, be discontinued:

1. Special Education – reduce one position
2. Elementary Teachers – reduce one position
3. School Nurse/Social Workers – reduce positions by one day
4. Administration – reconfigure positions
5. Spanish – reduce ITV classes

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Swenson and upon vote being taken thereon, the following

voted in favor thereof: Burkel, Swenson, Olson, Regalado, Murray, Koland & Wikstrom

and the following voted against: None

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

**RESOLUTION OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
TRI-COUNTY SCHOOLS/ ISD #2358**

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LEGISLATION AND APPROVAL FOR LOCAL LEARNING YEAR

WHEREAS:

1. The School Board of TRI-COUNTY SCHOOLS ISD #2358 is responsible for the educational program, including the learning year, for the students in the school district; and
2. The School Board and Administration of TRI-COUNTY SCHOOLS ISD #2358 has in the past and will continue to solicit input from the District's parents, patrons and community leaders for the learning year that best meets the needs of our school district; and
3. The educational leaders of TRI-COUNTY SCHOOLS ISD #2358 believe beginning the 2015-16 school learning year prior to September 8, 2015 best meets the educational needs of the students and takes into consideration the needs of the community in our school district;

BE IT RESOLVED that TRI-COUNTY SCHOOLS ISD #2358 of the State of Minnesota, requests our state legislators seek legislation waiving state mandates that prohibit or limit us in the process of designing a local learning year that meets our local needs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we instruct our District Administration to work with our legislators and associated advocacy organizations to advance such legislation in the 2015 state legislative session.

The motion was made by Member Swenson and seconded by Member Murray.

On a roll call vote, the following voted in favor: Burkel, Swenson, Olson, Regalado, Murray, Koland & Wikstrom

And the following voted against: None

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was declared duly passed and adopted by the TRI-COUNTY SCHOOLS ISD #2358 Board of Directors at a properly noticed open meeting held on the 17th day of February, 2015.

Principal Sorgaard reported on the following: Advisory Committee Meeting; Read Across America; Pennies for Patients; Preparation for MCA/ACT Testing; Spelling Bee; Next Year's Registration & Scheduling, Extra Curricular; Elementary Basketball Tournament

Superintendent Ruud reported on the following: Notice of Desire to Negotiate; Vote for Board Rep. on Northwest Regional Development Commission

Board Reports:

NWRIC: Reorganizational meeting was in February.

Region I: New office personnel were hired.

Member Burkel moved, Member Regalado seconded to adjourn. UC

Respectfully submitted by Mark Koland, Clerk _____

Next Meeting: March 17 at 7:00 p.m.