

Regular Board of Education Meeting

Tri-County School District 2358

October 20, 2015, 8:00 p.m.

Staff Work Room, Karlstad, MN

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Wikstrom at 8:00 p.m. and a quorum was determined. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Burkel, Koland, Murray, Olson, Swenson, Chair Wikstrom plus Superintendent/Principal Sorgaard and Dean of Students Amb were present.

We Are Proud

- We had 30-32 kids in the gym last Monday night from 6:30-8:00. They played some volleyball while waiting for everyone to show up, then they all gathered in a big circle and split themselves up into 4 teams of about 7 each (not everyone wanted to play). Then they figured out how to play off to the championship. No one was excluded from what I could tell, no one was injured, and everyone had fun. There was a lot of laughter coming from the gym and it did my heart good to be there and witness it.
Our small school is more than a place of academic excellence, it's a place where relationships are built, mental/emotional/physical health is nurtured, we laugh together and cry together, we grow together, and camaraderie is strong.
- We are proud of Ms. Berglund, and the student council, and others who helped make Homecoming a fun and successful week for our student body.
- We are proud of all the regular bus drivers, Shawn, Donnie, Mike, and Lisa, as well as Roger, Jaron, Sean, and Nick for all the extra driving.
- We are proud of our 7-12th students and staff for participating in Community Service Day.
- We are proud of our Special Olympics team, who competed in bowling today.

Member Burkel moved, Member Koland seconded to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2015 regular meeting. UC

Member Olson moved, Member Wikstrom seconded to authorize payment for claims in the following funds. UC

		<u>Last Year</u>	<u>This Year</u>
GENERAL	\$93,643.47	\$37,471.15	
FOOD SERVICE	11,076.63	10,478.77	
COMMUNITY SERVICE	400.00	<u>2,307.74</u>	
TOTAL	\$105,120.10	\$50,257.66	

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

Visitors present were Justina Pietruszewski and Dan Nordine.

Member Murray moved and Member Burkel seconded to accept the 2014-15 Audit Report as presented by Brady, Martz, and Associates, P.C. UC

Member Swenson moved and Member Burkel seconded to adopt a resolution to allow the administration to complete the forms necessary to apply for a MSHSL Foundation Grant for Student Participation in Softball and Baseball. UC

Member Burkel moved and Member Swenson seconded to set a public meeting date for the World's Best Work Force on Tuesday, November 17, 2015 at 6 pm. UC

Member Olson moved and Member Murray seconded to accept the retirement letter from Carol Hugg effective January 31, 2016. UC

Member Burkel moved and Member Olson seconded to grant Mallory Schaumberg a ten week maternity leave as requested starting on February 15, 2016. UC

Member Burkel introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION CALLING SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL SCHOOL BOARD
VACANCY**

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the office of school board member with a term expiring December 31, 2016 ; and

WHEREAS, one year or more remains in the unexpired term;

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

1. The clerk shall accept affidavits of candidacy for this office during the same filing period as applicable to the school district general election.

2. It is necessary to hold a special election to elect an individual to fill the vacancy in the term of School Board Member expiring December 31, 2016.

3. The special election shall be held on Tuesday, March 15, 2016.

4. The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause written notice of said special election to be provided to the county auditor of each county in which the school district is located, in whole or in part, at least seventy-four (74) days before the date of said special election. The notice shall include the date of said special election and the office to be voted on at said special election.

The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of said special election to be posted at the administrative offices of the school district at least ten (10) days before the date of said election.

The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a sample ballot to be posted at the administrative offices of the school district at least four (4) days before the date of said election and to cause two sample ballots to be posted in each polling place on election day. The sample ballot shall not be printed on the same color paper as the official ballot. The sample ballot for a polling place shall reflect the offices, candidates and rotation sequence on the ballot used in that polling place.

The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of said special election to be published in the official newspaper of the district, for two (2) consecutive weeks with the last publication being at least one (1) week before the date of said election.

The clerk is authorized and directed to cause the rules and instructions for use of the optical scan voting system to be posted in each polling place on election day.

The notice of election so posted and published shall state the office to be filled as set forth in the form of ballot below, and shall include information concerning each established precinct and polling place.

5. The names of candidates to fill a vacancy who have filed an affidavit of candidacy must be listed on the ballot under the separate heading "SPECIAL ELECTION FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER to fill vacancy in term expiring December 31, 2016." Their names must be listed as though they had been included by name in this resolution. The clerk shall not include on the ballot the names of individuals who file timely affidavits of withdrawal in the manner specified by law.

6. The name of each candidate to fill the vacancy in office at this special election shall be rotated with the names of the other candidates to fill the vacancy in office in the manner specified in Minnesota law.

7. The ballot shall be in substantially the following form:

ELECTION BALLOT

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2358
(Tri-County School District)**

March 15, 2016

**SPECIAL ELECTION
FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER to fill vacancy
in term expiring December 31, 2016**

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:

**To vote, completely fill in the oval next to your choice like this:
Vote for one**

Name

Name

write in, if any

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: Wikstrom, Burkel, Swenson, Olson, Murray, Koland

and the following voted against the same: None

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Dean of Students Amb reported on the following: School Law Conference; OCHS Proctor Training Meeting; Community Service Day; MASH Program; Advisory Committee Meeting; Technology Agreement Acceptable Use Policy

Superintendent Sorgaard reported on the following: Referendum Information; Bus Situation; Secretary Position

Board Reports:

NWRIC: Salary contracts were approved. The director will be retiring. An award is being given to the Tri-County Schools special ed. staff and board for Compliance Achievement for the 2014-15 school year.

REGION 1: No Report

Member Burkel moved, and Member Olson seconded to adjourn. UC

Respectfully submitted by Mark Koland, Clerk _____

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