

Reorganizational and Regular Board of Education Meeting

Tri-County School District 2358

January 20, 2021 6:30 PM

Tri-County School Library & Zoom

Karlstad, Minnesota

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Burkel at 6:30 PM and a quorum was determined. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Burkel, Caldwell, Duray, Hanson, Koland, Oliver and Sollund, plus Superintendent Baron and Dean of Students Hanson were present.

Reorganizational Meeting

Reorganization:

Member Burkel was nominated Chairperson by Member Sollund. Other nominations: None. Vice-Chairperson Duray declared Member Burkel duly elected by acclamation.

Member Duray was nominated Vice Chairperson by Member Hanson. Other nominations: None. Chairperson Burkel declared Member Duray duly elected by acclamation.

Member Koland was nominated Clerk by Member Sollund. Other nominations: None. Chairperson Burkel declared Member Koland duly elected by acclamation.

Member Sollund was nominated Treasurer by Member Duray. Other nominations: None. Chairperson Burkel declared Member Sollund duly elected by acclamation.

Member Koland moved and member Sollund seconded to authorize the following committee assignments: UC

In Favor: Burkel, Caldwell, Duray, Hanson, Koland, Oliver and Sollund

Against: None

Board Committee 2021

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| 1) MSHSL | Koland |
| 2) NWRIC | Burkel |
| 3) MREA | Hanson |
| 4) MSBA | Burkel |
| 5) Continuing Ed. | Oliver |
| 6) Certified Negotiations | Koland, Oliver, Sollund |
| 7) Administrative Negotiations | Hanson, Koland, Sollund |
| 8) Support Staff Negotiations | Sollund, Burkel, Caldwell |
| 9) Building & Grounds | Duray, Koland, Oliver |
| 10) Athletic Boosters | Caldwell |
| 11) Music Boosters | Hanson |

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| 12) Drama Boosters | Duray |
| 13) Advisory Committee | Caldwell, Duray |
| 15) Freeze Co-Op Sports Committee | Duray, Oliver, Sollund |
| 16) Technology Committee | Duray, Oliver |
| 17) ECFE | Hanson |

Member Hanson moved and member Duray seconded to authorize membership and participation in the following organizations: UC

In Favor: Burkel, Caldwell, Duray, Hanson, Koland, Oliver and Sollund

Against: None

- Minnesota State High School League - MSHSL
- Northwest Regional Interdistrict Council - NWRIC
- Region I -ESV
- Northwest Service Cooperative - NWSC
- Minnesota Rural Education Association - MREA
- Minnesota School Boards Association - MSBA
- Adult Basic Education Program

Member Sollund moved and member Oliver seconded to set the regular meetings of the board for the coming year on the following dates and times and that the Meet and Confer meetings be held as designated (*) prior to the regular meetings or at the request of the staff and that two members audit the bills monthly. UC

In Favor: Burkel, Caldwell, Duray, Hanson, Koland, Oliver and Sollund

Against: None

*February 17	6:30 PM	Burkel/Koland	Tri-County School
March 17	6:30 PM	Oliver/Sollund	Tri-County School
*April 21 (Supt Eval)	6:30 PM	Duray/Hanson	Halma Hall
May 19	6:30 PM	Caldwell/Burkel	Tri-County School
June 16	6:30 PM	Koland/Oliver	Tri-County School
July 21	6:30 PM	Sollund/Duray	Lake Bronson Comm. Center
August 18	6:30 PM	Hanson/Caldwell	Tri-County School
September 15	6:30 PM	Burkel/Oliver	Tri-County School
*October 20	6:30 PM	Koland/Duray	Strandquist Comm. Center
November 17	6:30 PM	Sollund/Hanson	Tri-County School
*December 15	6:30 PM	Caldwell/Koland	Tri-County School
January 19	6:30 PM	Burkel/Sollund	Tri-County School

Member Duray moved and member Oliver seconded to:

- set the annual school board members salary at \$100 per meeting for regular meetings.
- pay \$200 and room for attending the state school board convention plus \$100 mileage stipend.
- pay members mileage at the Federal rate for non-school board convention school-related business.
- pay members \$100 per day (\$50.00/half day) while on school-related business. UC

In Favor: Burkel, Caldwell, Duray, Hanson, Koland, Oliver and Sollund

Against: None

Member Hanson moved and member Sollund seconded to:

- designate the North Star News as the Official Newspaper of the District 2358.
- designate the Prime Security Bank and MN Trust as the primary depositories for district funds.
- post notices of special meetings on the east front entrance and the south entry.
- authorize appropriate investments of school district funds by the Superintendent during the course of the year.
- continue the use of the signature writer for payment of district obligations. UC

In Favor: Burkel, Caldwell, Duray, Hanson, Koland, Oliver and Sollund

Against: None

We Are Proud

- of the custodial staff and the great job they do in keeping the sidewalks clear and the building clean and safe for everyone. It is difficult at times to keep up with the weather but the custodians have been here many times before 6 AM to make sure our facilities are ready for staff and students.
- of the High School and Elementary students, staff and parents for the very successful fund drives before Christmas for the local food pantries. Each pantry received \$438!
- of the cast members of the One Act Play "Online Breakups Gone Wrong", Seniors: Trey Taylor, Tori Peterson, Anton Budziszewski; Junior Paulina Berggren; Sophomore Jaxon Klegstad; 9th Ella Kasproicz; 8th Lydia Hanson, Carter Thompson, Ari Kuznia; 7th Leah Levenhagen. Early morning practices and COVID guidelines have changed how the One Act Play is rehearsed and performed. We directors are proud of their efforts and positive attitudes.

Member Duray moved and member Hanson seconded to approve the agenda as presented. UC

In Favor: Burkel, Caldwell, Duray, Hanson, Koland, Oliver and Sollund

Against: None

Member Sollund moved and member Hanson seconded to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2020 Regular Board Meeting. UC

In Favor: Burkel, Caldwell, Duray, Hanson, Koland, Oliver and Sollund

Against: None

Member Sollund moved and member Burkel seconded to authorize payment for claims in the following funds. UC

In Favor: Burkel, Caldwell, Duray, Hanson, Koland, Oliver and Sollund

Against: None

	<u>Last Year</u>	<u>This Year</u>
01 GENERAL	\$71,500.72	\$0.00
02 FOOD SERVICE	8,843.74	0.00

04 COMMUNITY SERVICE	704.70	0.00
07 DEBT REDEMPTION	87,705.00	0.00
<u>21 STUDENT ACTIVITIES</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL	\$168,754.16	\$0.00

Visitors included Keegan Krantz, Erica Reese, Mike Johnston, Sara Carpenter, Sarah Novacek, TJ Berreau, Jennifer Klegstad, Jen Johnston, Kelly Koland, Melissa Thompson, Amanda Hughes, Dave Hughes, Laura Efta, Shari Knutson, Jaron Englund, Jess Peterson, Ryan Bergeron, Aaron Johnson, Chris Oliver, Mallory Schaumberg, Heidi Hanson, Justina Pietruszewski, Sue Budziszewski, Gary Taylor.

Member Koland moved and member Caldwell seconded to approve the resignation of Taylor Koland as paraprofessional, per email, effective immediately. UC
 In Favor: Burkel, Caldwell, Duray, Hanson, Koland, Oliver and Sollund
 Against: None

Member Oliver moved and member Duray seconded to approve the resignation of Jennifer Johnston as Administrative Assistant, per email, effective immediately. UC
 In Favor: Burkel, Caldwell, Duray, Hanson, Koland, Oliver and Sollund
 Against: None

Member Oliver moved and member Hanson seconded to approve the hiring of Heidi LoRash-Neuenschwander as paraprofessional, effective immediately. UC
 In Favor: Burkel, Caldwell, Duray, Hanson, Koland, Oliver and Sollund
 Against: None

Member Oliver moved and member Koland seconded to approve the hiring of Briena Englund as Administrative Assistant, effective immediately. UC
 In Favor: Burkel, Caldwell, Duray, Hanson, Koland, Oliver and Sollund
 Against: None

Member Sollund moved and member Duray seconded to approve the hiring of Keegan Krantz as Substitute One Act Play Assistant Director for 2021, per request from Kay Bostrom due to COVID-19 concerns. UC
 In Favor: Burkel, Caldwell, Duray, Hanson, Koland, Oliver and Sollund
 Against: None

Member Sollund introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

**RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO MAKE
 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REDUCTIONS IN PROGRAMS
 AND POSITIONS AND REASONS THEREFOR.**

WHEREAS, there has been a reduction in student enrollment, and,

WHEREAS, this decrease in student enrollment must include discontinuance of positions and

discontinuance or curtailment of programs, and,

WHEREAS, a determination must be made as to which teachers' contracts must be terminated and not renewed and which teachers may be placed on unrequested leave of absence without pay or fringe benefits in effecting discontinuance of positions.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2358, as follows: That the School Board hereby directs the Superintendent of Schools and administration to consider the discontinuance of programs or positions as a result of reduction in enrollment, make recommendations to the school board for the discontinuance of programs, curtailment of programs, discontinuance of positions or curtailment of positions.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Koland and upon roll call vote the following voted in favor thereof:

In Favor: Burkel, Caldwell, Duray, Hanson, Koland, Oliver and Sollun
and the following voted against the same: None.
whereupon said resolution was declared duly adopted.

The Dean of Students Report included Students back to In-person Learning, 2nd quarter end, One Act Play, Spelling Bee, Fccla, ACT Test, Sports.

The Superintendent's Report included 2021-22 Calendar options, Clocks and Scoreboard options, also Northwest Development Commission.

NWRIC: None.

REGION I: Waiting on ballot returns, meet in January via Zoom.

Next Regular Board Meeting scheduled for February, 17, 6:30 PM, Tri- County School Library and Zoom.

Member Oliver moved and member Duray seconded to adjourn. UC

Respectfully submitted by Mark Koland, Clerk _____