

Regular Board of Education Meeting

Tri-County School District 2358

March 15, 2017, 7:00 p.m.

Staff Work Room

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

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

“We Are Proud”

- We are proud of our 7-12th grade students who modeled exemplary behavior and respect while attending the Dr. Treuer presentation at KCC
- We are proud of our students and staff for a GREAT collaborative effort to make Read Across America week fantastic and fun!
- We are proud of Jaxon Klegstad for being selected for the 4-6th grade ACDA MN State boys choir. Over 2400 students audition for the state honor choirs from grades 4-10, and only 800 total make it. There were only 115 boys from the entire state selected, and almost all of them are from suburbs of the cities. This is quite an honor.
- We are proud of the Tri-County Concert Choir for earning all Superior ratings at the High School Choir Contests on March 13. After contests, we received an email from a judge at the contests: “I just want to thank the Tri County Choir for providing a bright spot in my judging day today. What a wonderful performance! You sang great literature with superb tone, dynamics, phrasing, intonation, diction, and poise. Every soloist was wonderful and could be heard clearly from the other side of the gym. I especially enjoyed your emotional connection with the music! You told a great story with each piece. Bravo!! I hope your school and community understand what a great job all of you do-students and teacher. Keep up the good work!”
- We are so proud of the Senior High Knowledge Bowl Team as they competed in the Regional competition. The top 4 places qualified to go to the state meet. For the past several years our Senior High Team has just missed qualifying – once by just ½ of a point. Well, this year they did it. Our team earned 4th place and a berth at the state tournament. But, as we have joked about all season, Close-up leaves while the state knowledge bowl tournament is on, so the kids won’t be going. But, it is still great to finally break into the long sought after state qualification! Congratulations to Adam Thompson, Sarah Budziszewski, Ellia Bass, Alayna Peterson, and Madi Larson.

Member Burkel moved, Member Murray seconded to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2017 regular meeting and Special Meeting on February 23, 2017. UC

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

Late February bill:

	<u>This Year</u>
GENERAL	\$34,617.75
FOOD SERVICE	
COMMUNITY SERVICE	_____

TOTAL \$34,617.75

March bills:	<u>Last Year</u>	<u>This Year</u>
GENERAL	\$52,528.63	\$61,374.01
FOOD SERVICE	9,121.61	7,457.04
COMMUNITY SERVICE	<u>1,208.33</u>	<u>75.92</u>
TOTAL	\$62,898.57	\$68,906.97

Visitors present were: Jeff Westberg, Gary Taylor, Heidi Hanson, Jodi Spilde, Gretchen Baker, Jonathan Pearson & Lisa Amb

Member Swenson moved, Member Duray seconded to approve the agenda as presented. UC

Member Sollund moved and Member Murray seconded to accept the resignation letter from Mr. Germaine Carriere from the position of Technology Coordinator, with his last day being March 24, 2017. UC

Member Murray moved and Member Burkel seconded to accept the Technology Proposal from Lakes Country Service Cooperative of eight hours per week for the dates of March 27, 2017 through June 30, 2017 for the sum of \$5,920. UC

Member Burkel moved and Member Olson seconded to approve the hiring of Kalli Peterson as an Elementary teacher for the 2017-18 school year. UC

Dean of Students Amb reported on the following: Academics; Activities Concessions; Winter Activities; Spring Activities; Close-Up Income/Expense Report

Superintendent Sorgaard reported on the following: Discussion on Staff Hiring/Budget Reductions; Dean of Students Evaluation; Enrollment Projection

Board Reports

NWRIC: The meeting will be next month.

Region I: There was no meeting due to the business conference.

Superintendent/Principal Search Update: Application closing is April 10, 2017.

Member Swenson moved, Member Burkel seconded to adjourn at 8:23 p.m. UC

Respectfully submitted by Mark Koland, Clerk _____

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 19 at 5:30 p.m.