
MISSION STATEMENT
St. Cloud Area School District 742

The mission of St. Cloud Area School District 742 is to prepare all learners, in partnership with their families and the community, to live and contribute within a changing and diverse world.

Board of Education
St. Cloud Area School District 742
St. Cloud, Minnesota

April 28, 2011
7:00 PM
City Hall

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

I. CONSENT AGENDA (ACTION - Roll Call) *The consent agenda consists of non-controversial items that the Board adopts routinely without debate. Any single member may remove an item from the consent agenda by requesting removal at the time the consent agenda is moved for adoption. The full text of items approved by consent may be found at the conclusion of the agenda.*

(7:00-7:05)

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Approval of Minutes (Meetings of March 24 and April 13, 2011)
- C. Approval of Monthly Treasurer's Report for March, 2011
- D. Approval of Payment of Bills and Other Financial Transactions in the grand total amount of \$5,207,833.66.
- E. Acceptance of Monthly Financial Report
- F. Approval of Personnel Staff Changes
- G. Acceptance of Grant Awards/Donations
- H. Approval for Submission of Grant Applications
- I. Approval of Proposed Revisions to Board Policy 105 and Administrative Procedures 105A - Harrassment and Violence

- J. Quarterly Expenditures for Board Members
- K. Approval of Membership Renewal - Minnesota State High School League - 2011-2012

II. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

A. Parents United for Public Schools Presentation
(7:05-7:35)

Mary Cecconi, Executive Director of Parents United for Public Schools, is a strong advocate for children and their education. Mary will present information regarding the Parents United Organization. She will also review current education legislation and how it might impact education in St. Cloud and throughout Minnesota.

Mary will be presenting a Parent's Boot Camp in St. Cloud on Saturday, September 17, to educate parents around the issues that affect public schools and how parents can influence education decisions.

B. 2011-2012 Budget Adjustments
(7:35-7:45)

At the April 13, 2011, Board of Education meeting, the Board took action to approve the 2011-2012 budget adjustments as recommended by the Administration. Superintendent Bruce Watkins, along with Kevin Januszewski, Executive Director of Business Services, will present information. A copy of the approved budget adjustments for 2011-2012 is attached.

III. **DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS**

A. Resolution Relating to the Termination and NonRenewal of the Teaching Contracts of Named Probationary Teachers
(7:45-7:55)

Tracy Flynn Bowe, Executive Director of Human Resources, will present information regarding the resolution. A copy of the resolution will be provided at the meeting.

The Administration recommends approval of the Resolution Relating to the Termination and NonRenewal of the Teaching Contracts of Named Probationary Teachers.

IV. **REPORTS**

A. **Superintendent's Report**

(7:55-8:05)

Superintendent Bruce Watkins may present information on current activities in District 742.

B. **Board of Education Standing Committee Reports**

(8:05-8:20)

Standing Committee Reports will be presented as follows:

Board Development Committee (Cindy Harner, Chair)

Community Linkages Committee (Bruce Mohs, Chair)

Finance and Audit Committee (Jerry Von Korff, Chair)

Integration and Equity Committee (Les Green, Chair) - Information Attached

Legislative Committee (Bruce Hentges, Chair)

Personnel & Negotiations Committee (Jerry Von Korff, Chair)

V. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

(8:20-8:25)

Board of Education members may suggest items/topics for future Board Meeting agendas. Items brought forth should have been previously discussed with the Board Chair or Vice Chair, Board Standing Committee, or at a prior Board Work Session/Meeting.

May Work Session topics will include:

Student Use of Technology Update

VI. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS (Detail Information)**

A. Approval of Agenda.

B. Approval of Minutes of the Board of Education Meetings of March 24 and April 13, 2011.

C. **Monthly Treasurer's Report**

The Administration recommends approval of the Monthly Treasurer's Report for March, 2011.

D. **Approval of Payment of Bills**

The Administration recommends approval of the payment of bills and other financial transactions in the amount of \$4,916,083.63 (Check Numbers 192692-193594) and P Card Totals of \$291,750.03, for a grand total of \$5,207,833.66.

E. Monthly Financial Report

The Administration recommends acceptance of the monthly financial report.

F. Personnel Staff Changes

The Administration recommends approval of the following personnel changes pursuant to relevant laws and appropriate provisions of negotiated agreements between the Board of Education and exclusive representatives. For new hires, the indicated rates are consistent with current negotiated agreements and Board approved rates of pay. All rates/salaries listed do not include fringe benefits.

1. Licensed Staff

Alternative Leave

Beth Fenstad, Language Arts Teacher, Technical High School, effective for the 2011-2012 school year, 40% leave of a full time contract.

Bridget Hamak, Counselor, Technical High School, effective for the 2011-2012 school year, 40% leave of a full time contract.

Health Leave

Carmen Crawford, Kitchen Helper, Westwood Elementary School, effective April 14, 2011 through June 3, 2011.

Kevin Kiffmeyer, Music Teacher, Technical High School, effective April 4, 2011 through April 29, 2011.

Bonita Schwinghammer, Special Education Teacher, Riverwoods, effective for the 2011-2012 school year.

Leave of Absence

Mary Cornell, Assistant Elementary Principal, Discovery Community School, effective for the 2011-2012, 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 school years, pursuant to M.S. §122A.46.

Julie Strang, Special Education Teacher, South Junior High School, effective May 1, 2011 through June 3, 2011.

Eric Williams, Junior High School Principal, South Junior High School, effective

for the 2011-2012 school year.

New Hire

Jayne Bautch, Science Teacher (Long Call Substitute), South Junior High School, effective April 13, 2011 through June 3, 2011, Lane MA, Pay Level 2 (full time contract for 35 days). Ms. Bautch's salary for this assignment will be \$7,372.05.

New Position

Assistant Principal, South Junior High School, effective for the 2011-2012 school year, at a salary range of \$83,608.00 - \$98,804.00.

Rehire

Mark L. Nelson, Music Teacher (Long Call Substitute), South Junior High School, effective April 14, 2011 through May 13, 2011, Lane MA, Pay Level 2 (full time contract for 20 days). Mr. Nelson's salary for this assignment will be \$4,212.60.

Resignation

Xian He, Chinese Immersion Teacher, Madison Elementary School, last day of service June 3, 2011.

Kimberly Norskog-Wright, Fourth Grade Teacher, Oak Hill Community School, last day of service June 3, 2011. Ms. Norskog-Wright is currently on leave.

Lixia Shi, Chinese Immersion Teacher, Madison Elementary School, last day of service June 3, 2011.

2. **Non-Licensed Staff**

New Hire

Daniel Dillman, Bus Driver, District Services Building, effective April 12, 2011, at a rate of \$12.30 per hour.

Dean Fesenmaier, Groundskeeper, Apollo High School, effective April 11, 2011, at a rate of \$12.66 per hour.

Gary Gohmann, Custodian (Long Call Substitute), Apollo High School, effective May 16, 2011 through September 2, 2011, at a rate of \$11.27 per hour.

Daniel Streit, Custodian (Long Call Substitute), Technical High School, effective April 11, 2011 through September 2, 2011, at a rate of \$11.27 per hour.

Rehire

Julee Kath, Student Support Paraprofessional, Apollo High School, effective April 11, 2011, at a rate of \$8.70 per hour.

Cathleen Luebke, Special Education Paraprofessional (Long Call Substitute), Talahi Community School, effective April 26, 2011 through June 2, 2011, at a rate of \$10.47 per hour.

Deborah Rothstein, Secretary, School to Work Program, effective April 18, 2011 at a rate of \$15.57 per hour.

Michelle Voigt, Special Education Paraprofessional (Long Call Substitute), Oak Hill Community School, effective April 19, 2011 through April 29, 2011, at a rate of \$10.47 per hour.

Resignation

Katie Bachel, Special Education Paraprofessional, Roosevelt Early Childhood Center, last day of service April 28, 2011.

Elton (Craig) Cusick, Media Technician, District Media Services, last day of service April 15, 2011.

Dean Fesenmaier, Bus Driver, District Services Building, last day of service April 8, 2011.

Bailey Johnson, Special Education Paraprofessional, Roosevelt Early Childhood Center, last day of service June 2, 2011.

Retirement

Diana Hemminger, Health Paraprofessional, Madison Elementary School, last day of service June 30, 2011, after 15 years of service in District 742.

Vernice Mattson, Classroom Paraprofessional, Roosevelt Early Childhood Center, last day of service June 3, 2011, after 8 ½ years of service in District 742.

Termination

Badal Ali, Special Education Paraprofessional, Technical High School and South Junior High School, last day of service April 7, 2011.

G. Acceptance of Grant Awards/Donations (Requires 2/3 Majority of Governing Board, Minnesota Statute §465.03)

The Administration recommends acceptance of the following grant awards/donations:

1. Donations as follows to the Tech High School Scholarship Program for 2011 Scholarships:
 - \$500.00 - Stearns Electric Association
 - \$3,000.00 - Kopp Family Foundation
 - \$1,000.00 - Connexus Energy
 - \$250.00 - Class of 67 Scholarship

2. Donation in the amount of \$100.00 from the Benton County American Dairy Association to the Lincoln Elementary School Milk Program.

3. Donations as follows to the Granite City Gear Heads for operating expenses:
 - \$100.00 - Kenny Huckenpoehler, American Bikers for Awareness Training and Education
 - \$250.00 - Rebecca Jacobs, Northstar Tech
 - \$40.00 - Lloyd Johnson
 - \$500.00 - Sandra Ka, Central Minnesota Manufacturers Association
 - \$20.00 - Alison Eike

4. Donation in the amount of \$50.00 to the District 742 Immersion Programs from Bruce Mohs.

5. Donation in the amount of \$500.00 from the District 742 Local Education & Activities Foundation to Tech High School for Skills USA Competition.

6. Donation in the amount of \$25.00 from Suzanne and Richael Reinert to Tech High School for the purchase of paper.

7. Donation in the amount of \$500.00 to the Tech High School Boys' Hockey Program from Macy's Foundation for season expenses.

8. Donation in the amount of \$2,500.00 to the Tech High School Weight Room from the St. Cloud Tech Football Booster Club for weight room improvements.

9. Donation in the amount of \$50.00 to St. Cloud Area School District 742 from Keith Madson (Wells Fargo 2010 Community Support)

10. Donation in the amount of \$150.00 from Sandra Neutzling, Jennings Insurance, to Tech High School for lunch scholarships.

11. Donation in the amount of \$200.00 to Apollo High School from the Class of 1987 for a scholarship for 2011 graduate.

12. Donations to the Tech High School Boys Golf Program, as follows:
 - \$75.00 - Stefan & Michele Freeman (for equipment/uniform needs)
 - \$75.00 - Bankvista (for equipment/uniform needs)

13. Donation in the amount of \$500.00 to the Tech High School Baseball Program from Charles & Peggy Eisenreich for batting cage construction.

H. Approval for Submission of Grant Applications

The Administration recommends approval for submission of the following grant applications:

1. "Poetry Can Be Fun" grant application by Clearview Elementary School to Target in the amount of \$2,000.00. The grant will be used to bring poet Dana Jensen to Clearview to conduct a poetry residency for first and second graders.
2. "Reading Can Be Fun At Clearview" grant application by Clearview Elementary School to Target in the amount of \$2,000.00. Clearview desires to start an after school reading club in their Kidstop program which is in partnership with the Boys and Girls Club of St. Cloud.
3. "Laptop Computers and a New Math Project" grant application by Clearview Elementary School to Best Buy in the amount of \$3,000.00. The funds will be used to purchase six laptop computers for a new math project. This project will allow first grade students to use computer software to learn math in a new nontraditional way.
4. "Grant in Aid" application by Lincoln Elementary School to ETA Delta Kappa Gamma in the amount of \$250.00. The grant will be used to purchase materials for students.

I. Approval of Proposed Revisions to Board Policy 105 and Administrative Procedures 105A - Harassment and Violence (Third and Final Reading)

The Administration recommends approval of the proposed revisions to Board Policy 105 and Administrative Procedures 105A - Harassment and Violence. Copies are attached.

J. Quarterly Expenditures for Board Members

The total expenses incurred by Board Members from January 1, 2011 through March 31, 2011 was \$905.25. A copy of the total detailed expenses is attached.

K. Membership Renewal - Minnesota State High School League

The Administration recommends approval of membership renewal in the Minnesota State High School League for 2011-2012.

Bruce Watkins
Superintendent