
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

October 25, 2012
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 September 27 and October 10, 2012)
- C. Approval of Monthly Treasurer's Report for August, 2012
- D. Approval of Payment of Bills and Other Financial Transactions in the grand total amount of \$4,786,264.96
- E. Acceptance of Monthly Financial Report
- F. Approval of Personnel Staff Changes
- G. Acceptance of Grant Awards/Donations
- H. Quarterly Expenditures for Board Members
- I. Award Contract for Construction Services Manager for the South Junior High School Project

- J. Approval for Submission of Grant Application
- K. Approval of Applications for Cooperative Sponsorships

II. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

A. School Report (7:05-7:35)

Sheri Rutar, Principal, along with staff and parents, will present information about Clearview Elementary School, including general school demographics, academic performance, student activities, strengths and challenges, and student spotlight.

B. Teaching and Learning Update (7:35-8:05)

Dr. Julia Espe, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching, Learning, and Development, will introduce the following presentation:

1. Science K-12 Report

The Science Vertical Team leadership will present an overview of student data, programming, and resources.

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

A. Review and Approval of Tentative Contract Agreements (if any) (8:05-8:20)

B. Recommendation from Board Adhoc Search Committee (ACTION) (8:20-8:30)

On behalf of the Board Adhoc Search Committee, Board Chair Cindy Harner will present a recommendation related to the selection of search firms to be invited to make presentations and be interviewed by the Board of Education regarding the Superintendent Search.

IV. **REPORTS**

A. Superintendent's Report (8:30-8:35)

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

B. Board of Education Standing Committee Reports

(8:35-8:45)

Standing Committee Reports will be presented as follows:

Board Development Committee (Jerry Von Korff, Chair)
Community Linkages Committee (Bruce Mohs, Chair)
Finance and Audit Committee (Jerry Von Korff, Chair)
Integration and Equity Committee (Les Green, Chair)
Legislative Committee (Bruce Hentges, Chair)
Personnel & Negotiations Committee (Cindy Harner, Chair)

V. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

(8:45-8:50)

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.

November Work Session Topic
Superintendent Search Firm Presentations

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

A. Approval of Agenda.

B. Approval of Minutes of the Board of Education Meetings of September 27 and October 10, 2012

C. Approval of Monthly Treasurer's Report

The Administration recommends approval of the Monthly Treasurer's Report for August, 2012.

D. Approval of Payment of Bills

The Administration recommends approval of the payment of bills and other financial transactions in the amount of \$4,206,527.60 (Check Numers 203667-204172 and ACH Numbers 121300235-121300548)and PCard totals in the amount of \$579,737.36 for a grand total of \$4,786,264.96.

E. Monthly Financial Report

The Administration recommends approval of the Monthly Financial Report for August, 2012.

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

Additional Assignment

Courtney Watson, Social Studies Teacher, North Junior High School, effective for September 17, 2012, Lane MA, Pay Level 2 (40% of a full time contract for 175 days). Mr. Watson's salary for this assignment will be \$14,891.38. Mr. Watson is currently a 60% of a full time contract teacher.

New Hire

Heidi Boeckel, Early Childhood Special Education Teacher, Discovery Community School, effective October 22, 2012, Lane MA, Pay Level 3 (50% of a full time contract for 152 days). Ms. Boeckel's salary for this assignment will be \$16,877.00. This is a replacement position.

Lori Posch, Director of Literacy, effective November 7, 2012, salary prorated based on an annual salary of \$80,000.00.

Rehire

Kerry Backes, Special Education Teacher (Long Call Substitute), Talahi Community School, effective October 11, 2012 through November 20, 2012, Lane BA+30, Pay Level 2 (50% of a full time contract for 28 days). Ms. Backes' salary for this assignment will be \$2,744.89.

W. Gil McCabe, Special Education Teacher, Apollo High School, effective for the 2012-2013 school year, Lane MA+15, Pay Level 34 (75% of a full time contract for 188 days). Mr. McCabe's salary for this assignment will be \$44,341.50. This is a replacement position.

Stephanie Lommen, English as a Second Language Teacher (Long Call Substitute), Oak Hill Community School, effective October 8, 2012 through November 20, 2012, Lane MA+60, Pay Level 2 (full time contract for 30 days). Ms. Lommen's salary for this assignment will be \$7,380.64.

Faye Pinson, Speech Language Pathologist (Long Call Substitute), South Junior High School, effective October 9, 2012 through December 21, 2012, Lane BA+60, Pay Level 2 (full time contract for 48 days). Ms. Pinson's salary for this assignment will be \$10,211.23. This is a replacement position.

Retirement

W. Gil McCabe, Special Education Teacher, Apollo High School, last day of service June 8, 2012 after 34 years of service in District 742.

Mary Neumann, Counselor, Technical High School, last day of service October 18, 2012 after 34 years of service in District 742. This is an amendment to the October 10, 2012 Board action on the consent agenda where this item was listed as 14 years of service in District 742.

2. **Non-Licensed Staff**

Leave of Absence

Mary O'Hagan, Special Education Paraprofessional, Westwood Elementary School, effective September 28, 2012 through February 1, 2013.

New Hire

Joan Dobbert, Special Education Paraprofessional, Oak Hill Community School, effective October 11, 2012 at an hourly rate of \$10.88 per hour.

Jill Kent, Special Education Paraprofessional, Clearview Elementary School, effective October 10, 2012 at an hourly rate of 10.88 per hour.

Larry Letofsky, Special Education Paraprofessional (Temporary Position), Talahi Community School, effective October 11, 2012 at an hourly rate of \$10.88 per hour.

Tamara McClintock, Adult Basic Education Literacy Accountability Assistant, Discovery Community School, effective October 5, 2012 at an hourly rate of \$10.51 per hour.

Mohamed Webo, Cultural Navigator, Talahi Community School, effective October 10, 2012 at an hourly rate of \$10.88 per hour.

Meaghan Wieber, Special Education Paraprofessional, Clearview Elementary School, effective September 24, 2012 at an hourly rate of \$10.88 per hour.

Kathleen Wellik, Classroom Paraprofessional, Roosevelt Early Childhood Center, effective October 5, 2012 at an hourly rate of \$10.88 per hour.

Hassan Yusuf, Cultural Navigator, South Junior High School, effective October 11, 2012 at an hourly rate of \$10.88 per hour.

Rehire

Mary Bzdok, Special Education Paraprofessional (Long Call Substitute),

Madison Elementary School, effective October 12, 2012 through December 21, 2012 at an hourly rate of \$10.88 per hour.

Resignation

Jenelle Herkenhoff, Special Education Paraprofessional, Madison Elementary School, last day of service October 23, 2012.

Scott Ring, Custodian, Clearview Elementary School, last day of service October 8, 2012.

Erin Thueringer, Classroom Paraprofessional, Roosevelt Early Childhood Center, last day of service September 28, 2012. This is an amendment to the October 10, 2012 Board action on the consent agenda where this item was listed with a resignation date of November 28, 2012.

Joseph Wisner, Transportation Coordinator, District Services Building, last day of service October 26, 2012.

Renee Zieglmeier, Classroom Paraprofessional, Roosevelt Early Childhood Center, last day of service October 15, 2012.

Termination

Gail Harmeling, Special Education Paraprofessional, Kennedy Community School, last day of service October 8, 2012.

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 to the Tech High School Wrestling Program as follows:
 - \$200.00 from the Clearwater American Legion for Team Uniforms
 - \$500.00 from the VFW Post 4847 for Warm-ups and Mat Refinishing
 - \$1,000.00 from the Clear Lake Lions Club for Warm-ups and Mat Refinishing
2. Donation in the amount of \$800.00 from the VFW Granite Post 428 to the Tech High School Scholarship Program for 2012 Voice of Democracy Scholarships.
3. Donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 from LeRoy Kopp, Kopp Family Foundation, to Tech High School for the Random Acts of Kindness Program.
4. Donations to South Junior High School for the Walkin' Wildcat Fundraiser as follows:
 - \$50.00 from Coborn's, Inc.
 - \$500.00 from Centracare Health Foundation

5. Donations as follows to the Tech High School Tiger Auto Club for Super Mileage Car:
 - \$50.00 - Central Minnesota Credit Union
 - \$50.00 - SnappyLube Plus
 - \$50.00 - Gene Scherer and Sons Trucking, Inc.
6. Donation of school supplies (estimated value of \$100.00) from Cindy J. Meyer to Westwood Elementary School.
7. Donation in the amount of \$24.00 to Talahi Community School from the District 742 Local Education & Activities Foundation (Night of the Stars Ticket Sales) for Knowledge Bowl.
8. Donation in the amount of \$400.00 to Talahi Community School from the College of St. Benedict/St. John's University to support academic programs and teachers.
9. Donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Walmart'Sam's Club to Clearview Elementary School as part of the Walmart & Sam's Club Teacher Rewards Program (20 - \$50.00 gift cards for teachers to use to purchase school supplies and healthy snacks).
10. Donation of 195 cases of 6" x 9.5" envelopes from Merrill Corporation to St. Cloud Area School District 742 (all sites).
11. Donation of school supplies (estimated value of \$600-700) from the HRA to the District 742 Homeless Program to be distributed as needed to families experiencing homelessness or living in transition.
12. Donation of "No Worry" books (gently used books for children to take home) to Lincoln Elementary School from the St. Cloud Reading Room.
13. Donation of supplies (value of \$1,088.10) from Office Max to Lincoln Elementary School as a result of the Office Max "A Day Made Better" event.
14. Donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the Apollo High School Scholarship Program from Brian Deyak for a John Deyak Memorial Scholarship.
15. Donation in the amount of \$500.00 to Apollo High School from King Solutions, Inc., Dayton, Minnesota, for the Granite City Gearheads Robotics Team.
16. Optimist Club Friend of Youth Award to District 742 in the amount of \$100.00 to fund mini-grants for the Youth as Resources Board.
17. Donation in the amount of \$297.00 from Coborn's, Inc. (Brat & Pop Sale) to fund mini-grants for the Youth as Resources Board.

18. Donation in the amount of \$237.00 to Madison Elementary School from DonorsChoose for use with students/staff.
19. Donation in the amount of \$500.00 to North Junior High School from Blend for the North Walkathon.
20. Donation in the amount of \$50.00 to the Tech High School Band Program from Julia and Rick Fern.
21. Donation in the amount of \$200.00 to Tech High School from Stephen and Michele Heller (\$100.00 to Orchestra and \$100.00 to Library).
22. Donation of clothes, coats and shoes to the District 742 Homeless Program as follows:
 - \$150.00 (estimated value) from Jennifer Hudulla/Amy Primus
 - \$150.00 (estimated value) from Amy Primus
 - \$400.00 (esimated value) from Lysa and Bob Neitzke
23. Donation in the amount of \$30.00 to Lincoln Elementary School from the Knights of Columbus Auxiliary to be used for milk and juice for snacks for kindergarten and first graders not able to afford these items.
24. Donation in the amount of \$100.00 to Madison Elementary School from the Knights of Columbus for the purchase of snack crackers for students.
25. Donation in the amount of \$25.03 to Lincoln Elementary School from Culver's Restaurant for milk and juice on Free Fridays for kindergarten and 1st graders unable to pay for this item.
26. LEAF Cycle I Grant Awards totaling \$20,918.00 and Adopt a Classroom Project Grant Awards totaling \$11,000.00. Detailed information is attached.

H. Quarterly Expenditures for Board Members

The total expenses incurred by Board Members from July 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012 was \$173.16. A copy of the detailed expenses is attached.

I. Award Contract for Construction Services Manager for the South Junior High School Project

The Administration recommends that the Board of Education award the contract for the Construction Services Manager for the South Junior High School project to Winkelman Building Corp., in the amount of \$106,000.00, based on low proposal received meeting specifications.

A tabulation is attached.

J. Approval for Submission of Grant Application

The Administration recommends approval for submission of a grant application to AgStar Fund for Rural America in the amount of \$8,000.00 by Clearview Elementary School to construct a student nature trail at Clearview in the nature preserve.

K. Approval of Applications for Cooperative Sponsorships

The Administration recommends approval of the following Applications for Cooperative Sponsorships to the Minnesota State High School League:

- a. Application for Cooperative Sponsorship of Girls Hockey for 2012-2013 between Tech, Apollo, and Cathedral.
- b. Application for Cooperative Sponsorship of Wrestling for 2012-2013 between Tech and Granite City Baptist.
- c. Application for Dissolution of Cooperative Sponsorship of Girls Alpine Skiing for 2012-2013 between Tech, Cathedral, and St. Cloud Christian School.
- d. Application for Dissolution of Cooperative Sponsorship of Boys Alpine Skiing for 2012-2013 between Tech, Cathedral, St. John's Prep and St. Cloud Christian School.
- e. Application for Cooperative Sponsorship of Boys Alpine Skiing for 2012-2013 between Tech, Buffalo, Dassel-Cokato, Rocori, Apollo, Cathedral, Sauk Rapids-Rice, and St. John's Prep.
- f. Application for Cooperative Sponsorship of Girls Alpine Skiing for 2012-2013 between Tech, Buffalo, Dassel-Cokato, Rocori, Apollo, Cathedral, and Sartell.

Bruce Watkins
Superintendent