

Regular School Board Meeting

Duluth Public Schools, ISD 709

Agenda

Tuesday, June 15, 2010

District Services Center

709 Portia Johnson Dr.

Duluth, MN 55811

6:30 PM

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Approval of the Agenda**
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11. **Questions / Other**
12. **Adjournment**

Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting

Of the School Board of Independent School District No. 709 held at the Historic Old Central High School, 215 North First Avenue East, Duluth, Minnesota 55802, on

Tuesday, May 18, 2010

Members Present:

Mary Cameron
Gary Glass
Tim Grover
Art Johnston
Tom Kasper
Judy Seliga Punyko
Ann Wasson

Others Present:

Keith Dixon, Superintendent
Bill Hanson, Deputy Clerk
Melinda Thibault, Secretary

Student Representatives:

Maia Dalager
Peter Witzig
Jon Peterson

Chair Grover called the regular school board meeting of May 18, 2010 to order at 6:30 p.m., and the pledge of allegiance to the American flag was given.

M-Cameron, S-Seliga Punyko, to approve the agenda as presented.

Member Glass stated that he wanted to give prior notice for four agenda items he had previously asked to have on the agenda. Chair Grover asked him to submit them in writing.

Member Johnston stated that he had asked to add the correspondence items on the agenda for discussion. Chair Grover stated that it has not been the practice of the school board and the policy is on the agenda for first reading to bring it into alignment with current practices.

M-Johnston, S-Glass, to add correspondence received to the agenda for discussion as noted in Bylaw 9020.

School Board discussion took place on the request to add discussion of correspondence to the agenda.

Upon a vote the same failed 3-4 as follows:

Yea: Glass, Johnston, Kasper

Nay: Cameron, Grover, Seliga Punyko, Wasson

M-Johnston, S-Glass, to add discussion on the pending EAW lawsuit and hiring of an attorney to the agenda.

Member Grover ruled the motion out of order stating that the board should not discuss the pending lawsuit out of closed session. Member Johnston appealed Chair Grover's ruling.

Upon a vote on Chair Grover's ruling that the motion is out of order the same was approved 6-1 as follows:

Yea: Cameron, Glass, Grover, Kasper, Seliga Punyko, Wasson

Nay: Johnston

Member Johnston gave previous notice that he would like discussion of the pending lawsuit and hiring of an attorney at a future board meeting.

Upon a vote on the agenda as presented the same was approved 5-2 as follows:

Yea: Cameron, Grover, Kasper, Seliga Punyko, Wasson

Nay: Glass Johnston

Chair Grover asked school board members if there were any corrections or changes to the minutes of the special school board meeting of April 20, 2010.

M-Seliga Punyko, S-Cameron, to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2010 special school board meeting as presented. Upon a vote, the same was approved – unanimously.

Chair Grover asked school board members if there were any corrections or changes to the minutes of the regular school board meeting of April 20, 2010.

M-Seliga Punyko, S-Cameron, to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2010 regular school board meeting.

Secretary Thibault noted that all three student representatives should have been listed in attendance.

Member Johnston indicated that his requests for corrections to the minutes were listed out of order. Secretary Thibault asked if the content was correct and Member Johnston acknowledged that it was. Chair Grover stated that the minutes are not a transcript but are a record of what happened – No change to minutes.

Member Johnston indicated that he had noted that the resolutions were out of order but that the correction request wasn't listed. Upon review of the minutes the correction to the order of the resolutions was listed and were corrected in the minutes.

Member Johnston noted corrections to his amendment to Policy 9075 that the public should be notified one week in advance not three days as listed and that the last sentence should not be included in his amendment.

Upon a vote, the same was approved as corrected. – unanimously.

Chair Grover asked school board members if there were any corrections or changes to the minutes of the special school board meeting of May 4, 2010.

M-Seliga Punyko, S-Cameron, to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2010 special school board meeting.

Member Johnston indicated that there wasn't a second listed on his motion to censure the Chair, and that there was no vote taken on his motion. Member Glass indicated he had seconded the motion.

Upon a vote, the same was approved as corrected. – unanimously.

Public Comments

May 2010

David Gaskell, 3402 Vernon Street, spoke to the board regarding his concern with property acquisitions in his neighborhood and his concern with being paid a fair amount for his property.

Sam Seering, 5330 Oakley Street, Students For the Future, spoke to the board to give an update on upcoming events and the groups desire to help pass an operating levy increase in the fall.

Loren Martell, 623 East Seventh Street, spoke to the board regarding his concern with the handling of public communications to the board.

Sharon Witherspoon, 327 – 54th Avenue West, spoke to the board regarding her concern with the achievement gap in the district and her support for the integration specialists being hired to help work on closing that gap. She also asked board members to be civil with each other.

Communications, Petitions, Etc.

May 2010

Superintendent Dixon acknowledged the communications received.

Superintendent's Report

May 2010

Congratulations to the following:

- Michelle Hobbs, Denfeld HS, was named Minnesota's Boys and Girls Club Youth of the Year! Woodland Middle School students did well at the Minnesota State History Day competition. Kevin Hendrickson, Maggie Campbell, Meghan Friske, Alyssa Diaz, Cole Selland, Kelcy Huston, Erin Bates, Matthew Thibodeau, Liam Scott, and Lauren Johnson. Earning Honorable Mention Medals: Meghan Friske, Kelcy Huston, Erin Bates. Earning a State Staff Creativity Award Ribbon: Cole Selland.

- Secondary Technical Center students Max Fye, Brittany Smith, Ryan Biggs, and Kiefer Olson competed in the State FFA Forestry competition in St. Paul. Their Duluth FFA team earned 12th place out of 40 teams and the team received a gold ribbon!!
- Denfeld Senior Stacie Krause placed 3rd in the 2010 Congressional Art Competition sponsored by the U.S. House of Representatives.
- For the second year in a row, Alia Malhas Gribbon, Woodland Middle School, is the recipient, of the Duluth-Superior Symphony Orchestra's Hester Memorial Scholarship Award.
- Megan Lazzaro, Morgan Park Middle School, was recognized as 1st place winner in the middle level division of the Capitol Art Show in celebration of Youth Art Month 2010
- Several members of the Duluth Speech Team advance to the State Speech Tournament this weekend. This team operates as a Duluth Team during the invitational season and competes as separate high schools at the Section 7AA MSHSL tournament: **Denfeld:** Brian Johnson - in the event of Serious Prose - this will be Brian's 4th appearance at the state meet, Laura Halvorsen - in Serious Drama, Dan Krueger - in Serious Drama, Hanna Durfee - in Poetry, Jack DeMars in Poetry, Haley Robinson - in Original Oratory, Hailey Woolverton -Extemp. Reading, Denfeld Speech Team placed 3rd in Section 7AA - there are 14 schools in Section 7AA, **East:** Samuel Seering in Discussion, Ryan Gallagher in Original Oratory, Anna Menzel in Serious Prose, Matt Uttermark in Great Speeches, Nate Olson in Humor, Emma VanVactor-Lee in Serious Prose, East Speech Team placed 4th in the Section 7AA out of the 14 Section 7AA schools, **Both teams are coached by:** Head Coach - Jill Lofald - Speech and Theater teacher at Denfeld Asst Coach - John Bergum - Social Studies teacher at Denfeld

Jackie Magnuson, Walt Hautala, and Bob Meeks from the MSBA presented Kai Fei with a MSBA Scholarship.

Karl Wasson of Wells Fargo oversaw the drawing for the Hase Family Scholarship, to be awarded to a Central High School student. A \$3,500.00 non renewable scholarship was awarded to Jacob Jaus.

Member Johnston requested that the board discuss the public correspondence issue. Chair Grover ruled him out of order. Member Johnston gave previous notice that he would like public communications added to the agenda at the next meeting.

Education Committee Report
May 2010

Member Seliga Punyko presented the Education Committee report, a copy of same being in the hands of each school board member.

Member Seliga Punyko presented the resolution:

RESOLUTION
Acceptance of Grant Awards to Duluth Public Schools

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 465.03 requires a school district to accept grants by resolution expressed in the terms prescribed by the donor in full; and,

WHEREAS, acceptance of the grant in accordance with the donor's terms is in the best interest of the Duluth Public Schools:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Duluth Public Schools does accept the below-described grants from said organizations in accordance with the terms set forth herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Duluth Public Schools wishes to extend its grateful appreciation to these various organizations.

	Organization	Author/Contact	Project Title	Award Amount	Terms
1.	National Science Teacher's Association	Elizabeth Kersting-Peterson, First Grade Teacher at Lincoln Park Elementary School	Citizen Scientist – Biology Buddies – Great Lakes Worm Watch	\$2,426	Funds from this grant award will be used to support a partnership with a UMD graduate student who will be working with Lincoln's first grade students on the Citizen Scientist – Biology Buddies – Great Lakes Worm Watch.
2.	Duluth Superior Community Foundation	Various	2010 Duluth Public Schools Endowment Fund Grants	\$15,160	The Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation's Duluth Public Schools Endowment Committee received eighteen (18) grant requests totaling \$27,814.66 and has approved funding for thirteen (13) of these requests for the 2010-11 school year totaling \$15,160. Funds from these grant awards will provide supplemental funding to enrich the academic, cultural,

					athletic, and overall experiences of Duluth Public Schools students and staff.
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Resolution E-5-10-2754

May 18, 2010

M-Seliga Punyko, S-Wasson, to approve Resolution E-5-10-2754 - Acceptance of Grant Awards to the Duluth Public Schools. Upon a vote taken, the same was approved - unanimously.

M-Seliga Punyko, S-Wasson, to approve the remainder of the Education Committee report as presented.

Member Kasper withheld Item 1.B. – Update on Woodland Middle School’s Response to Recent Crisis Management Issues and thanked Gina Klive for coming forward to discuss the issue. He asked to see a report on past bomb threats district wide and how the district has handled them.

Upon a vote taken on the remainder of the Education Committee as presented - the same was approved – unanimously.

Human Resources Committee Report

May 2010

Member Cameron presented the Human Resources Committee report, a copy of same being in the hands of each school board member.

M-Cameron, S-Seliga Punyko, to approve the Human Resources Committee report as presented.

Member Cameron presented the resolution:

RESOLUTION

RE: Termination of Certified Hourly Staff

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that the employment of the following hourly teachers shall terminate effective at the end of the school day on June 11, 2010, unless another date is indicated below, in which case the employment of the individual shall terminate on that date.

Dalager Sherry
Docauer Randall
Frank Angie – 06/10/10
Hill Elaine

Irvine Mary
Kelley Carol – 06/10/10
Larson Beatrice – 06/10/10
Mell Carol

Miller Paige
Pavlich Marilyn – 05/21/10
Persons Andrew
Pufall Janet – 05/21/10

Rud Jay
Schafter Patricia

Swedberg Judith
VanDruten James

Walker Luke
Winterfield Robert

HR-5-10-2755

May 18, 2010

M-Cameron, S-Wasson, to approve Resolution HR-5-10-2755-Termination of Certified Hourly Staff. Upon a vote, the same was approved – unanimously.

Member Cameron presented the resolution:

RESOLUTION
RE: Termination of Certified Long-Term Substitutes

WHEREAS, the School Board desires to provide notice that long-term substitute teaching positions terminate on the date specified in the individual substitute teacher's contract or at the conclusion of the school year, whichever is earlier;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that the employment of all long-term substitute teachers, including those listed below, shall terminate effective at the end of the school day on June 11, 2010, unless another date is indicated below, or on the date specified in the individual substitute teacher's contract, whichever is earlier.

Grimm Jason

Holecsek Dean

Lindbo Sarah

HR-5-10-2756

May 18, 2010

M-Cameron, S-Wasson, to approve Resolution HR-5-10-2756-Termination of Certified Long Term Substitutes. Upon a vote, the same was approved – unanimously

Member Cameron presented the resolution:

R E S O L U T I O N
RE: Termination of Certified Probationary (Non-Tenured) Staff

WHEREAS, during the first three years of consecutive employment all teachers in the public schools in cities of the first class are deemed to be in a probational period of employment during which period the School Board may renew, or not renew, any teachers' annual contract as the School Board shall see fit; and that the District will lack a sufficient number of pupils to support all non tenured teachers currently employed by the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board on Independent School District No. 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, as follows:

1. The employment contracts of the following probationary teachers shall not be renewed and their employment shall terminate at the end of the school day on June 11, 2010, unless another date is indicated below, in which case the employment of the particular teacher shall terminate on that date.

Anderson Jessica – 06/18/10
Antonich Brenda
Bowen Heidi
Campbell Gregg – 04/30/10
Cronin Vicki
Everett David
Farleigh Jean
Harbson Alan
Hess Valerie

Jordon Charles
Lindstrom Heather
Meyer Michael – 06/18/10
Nemec Nicole
Nord Ryan
Palen Peter – 06/30/10
Peterson Jon
Puttkammer Lana

Savre Jamie – 06/18/10
Scanlon-Olson Melissa
Schminski Lori
Seglem Daniel
Smith Hamilton
Stein Eve
Wangerin Clarissa – 08/05/10

HR-5-10-2757

May 18, 2010

M-Cameron, S-Seliga Punyko, to approve Resolution HR-5-10-2757-Termination of Certified Probationary Staff. Upon a vote, the same was approved – unanimously.

Member Cameron presented the resolution:

RESOLUTION
RE: PERA Phased Retirement Options

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Legislature passed legislation in 2009 that allows Coordinated and Basic Public Employee Retirement Association members age 62 and over the option to begin receiving without formally resigning, and

WHEREAS, the decision to make Phased Retirement available to members is strictly up to the employer, and

WHEREAS, participants must agree to substantially reduce the hours that they work and meet other requirements for eligibility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board agrees to offer a Phased Retirement Option to eligible PERA employees consistent with the requirements noted within Minnesota statutes, and directs the District's Administration to review and approve such agreements for eligible employees.

HR-5-10-2758

May 18, 2010

M-Cameron, S-Seliga Punyko, to approve Resolution HR-5-10-2758-PERA Phased Retirement Options. Upon a vote, the same was approved – unanimously.

Upon a vote to approve the remainder of the Human Resources Committee report as presented, the same was approved – unanimously.

Business Committee Report

May 2010

Member Wasson presented the Business Committee report, a copy of same being in the hands of each school board member.

M-Wasson, S-Seliga Punyko, to approve the Business Committee report, withholding the resolutions, as presented.

Member Glass withheld Items 3.1.B., 3A.1) and 3.A.2)

Member Johnston withheld Items 4.B., 7.A., 2.A.3), and 2.A.4), and requested separate votes on items 3.A.1), 3.A.2), and 4.B.1)

Member Glass withheld Item 1.B. – Approval of Payment of Claims to note payments to JCI and noted that he did get information requested but feels it’s not complete. Superintendent Dixon stated that they had been given complete information that is available to the District. Board discussion continued on the report. Chair Grover suggested that if members have additional information requests to submit them in writing.

Member Johnston noted Bid 1187 Fire Extinguisher Service and asked why such a small contract was brought to the board. Kerry Leider, Facilities Management Supervisor, explained that many of these items have the potential to exceed the authority of administration to sign.

Member Glass and Member Johnston withheld Item 3.A.1) – Policy 9075– Agenda for Regular Meetings to note their concern with the changes being made. Board discussion continued on the policy changes and the need to review all policies.

M-Johnston, S-Glass, to add “two weeks prior to the agenda setting session” to the policy.

Discussion continued on the agenda setting process and the need to bring the policy into align with procedure.

Upon a vote the same failed 2-5 as follows:

Yea: Glass, Johnston

Nay: Cameron, Grover, Kasper, Seliga Punyko, Wasson

M-Johnston, S-Glass, to have the policy state “prior to the agenda setting session to be held the first Tuesday of each month”. Upon a vote the same failed 2-5 as follows:

Yea: Glass Johnston

Nay: Cameron, Grover, Kasper, Seliga Punyko, Wasson

Upon a vote to approve the policy changes as submitted for the second reading, the same was approved 5-2 as follows:

Yea: Cameron, Grover, Kasper, Seliga Punyko, Wasson

Nay: Glass Johnston

Member Glass and Member Johnston withheld Item 3.A.3) Bylaw 9020 - Standing Committees to express their concern with the changes to the policy specifically on how communications are handled. Board discussion continued regarding the changes and public communications.

Upon a separate vote taken on Policy 9020- Standing Committees, the same was approved 5-2 as follows:

Yea: Cameron, Grover, Kasper, Seliga Punyko, Wasson
Nay: Glass, Johnston

Upon a separate vote taken on item 4.B.1) – Eastern High School LFFP – Earthwork and Site Demolition, the same was approved 5-2 as follows:

Yea: Cameron, Grover, Kasper, Seliga Punyko, Wasson
Nay: Glass, Johnston

Upon a vote taken on the remainder of the Business Committee, the same was approved 6-1 as follows:

Yea: Cameron, Grover, Johnston, Kasper, Seliga Punyko, Wasson
Nay: Glass

Other
May 2010

Member Kasper asked about the scholarship awarded earlier and how it would be handled in the future with Central High School closing. Superintendent Dixon stated that they are working on how it will be handled next year.

Chair Grover adjourned the regular school board meeting of May 18, 2010 at 9:18 p.m.

Minutes of the Special School Board Meeting

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Of the School Board of Independent School District No. 709 held at the Historic Old Central High School, 215 North First Avenue East, Duluth, Minnesota 55802, on

Tuesday, May 25, 2010

Members Present:

Mary Cameron
Gary Glass
Tim Grover
Art Johnston
Tom Kasper
Judy Seliga Punyko
Ann Wasson

Others Present:

Keith Dixon, Superintendent
Bill Hanson, Deputy Clerk
Melinda Thibault, Secretary

Chair Grover called the special school board meeting of May 25, 2010 to order at 4:30 p.m.

Member Seliga Punyko presented the resolution:

RESOLUTION
Executive (Closed) Session

RESOLVED, By the School Board of Independent School District 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that the School Board shall meet in Executive (Closed) Session on Tuesday, May 25, 2010 at approximately 4:35 p.m. in the Board Conference Room of Historic Old Central High School for the purpose of discussing private educational data relating to a student expulsion.

E-5-10-2759

May 25, 2010

M-Seliga Punyko, S-Cameron, to approve Resolution E-5-10-2759 – Executive (Closed) Session RE: Discussion of private Educational Data Relating to Student Expulsion.

Member Glass asked what District Policy allows the board to go into closed session. Beth Storaasli, Legal Counsel, stated that it was MN Statute 121A.47 Pupil Fair Dismissal Act.

Upon a vote, the same was approved – 5-1 as follows:

Yea: Cameron, Grover, Johnston, Kasper, Seliga Punyko, Wasson

Nay: Glass

The board recessed into closed session at 4:35 p.m.

The school board reconvened into the special meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Member Wasson presented the resolution:

RESOLUTION EXPELLING A STUDENT

WHEREAS, written notice of the proposed expulsion of a student was served upon the student and the student's parents, and the stated factual basis for expulsion was threats to a middle school;

WHEREAS, the notice of proposed expulsion complied with the Minnesota Pupil Fair Dismissal Act;

WHEREAS, a hearing on the proposed expulsion was held before an Independent Hearing Officer on Tuesday, May 18, 2010;

WHEREAS, the Independent Hearing Officer has made written Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and a Recommendation to the School Board regarding the proposed expulsion;

WHEREAS, the School Board has reviewed the Independent Hearing Officer's Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Recommendation;

WHEREAS, the Pupil Fair Dismissal Act states that the School Board shall base its decision upon the recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the written notice of proposed expulsion, the name of the student proposed for expulsion, and the Independent Hearing Officer's Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Recommendation are private educational data under the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The School Board hereby accepts and adopts the Independent Hearing Officer's Findings and Fact, Conclusions and Recommendation as the basis for its decision.
2. The School Board hereby expels the student from the schools of Independent School District No. 709 from May 25, 2010, through January 21, 2011.
3. The Superintendent, or his designee, is directed to mail the following to the student and to the student's parents: a copy of this Resolution; a copy of the Independent Hearing Officer's Finding of Fact, Conclusions and Recommendation; and a letter stating that the student has been expelled effective May 25, 2010, and may be reinstated effective January 24, 2011.
4. The Superintendent, or his designee, is directed to identify the alternative educational services that are available to the student during the period of expulsion, if the student wishes to take advantage of them.
5. The Superintendent, or his designee, is directed to make an electronic report of this expulsion to the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Education within thirty calendar days as required by Minnesota Statutes section 121A.53.

Resolution E-5-10-2761

May 25, 2010

**M-Wasson, S-Seliga Punyko, approve Resolution B-5-10-2761 – Resolution Expelling a Student.
Upon a vote, the same was approved – 6-1 as follows:**

Yea: Cameron, Grover, Johnston, Kasper, Seliga Punyko, Wasson

Nay: Glass

Member Seliga Punyko presented the resolution:

RESOLUTION
Executive (Closed) Session

RESOLVED, By the School Board of Independent School District 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that the School Board shall meet in Executive (Closed) Session on Tuesday, May 25, 2010 at approximately 5:00 p.m. (or to follow the Special School Board Meeting) in the Board Conference Room of the Historic Old Central High School for the purpose of discussing parameters for upcoming negotiations for all bargaining units.

E-5-10-2760

May 25, 2010

M-Seliga Punyko, S-Wasson, approve Resolution B-5-10-2760 – Discussion of Negotiations Parameters. Upon a vote, the same was approved – 6-1 as follows:

Yea: Cameron, Grover, Johnston, Kasper, Seliga Punyko, Wasson

Nay: Glass

Chair Grover adjourned the Special School Board meeting of May 25, 2010 at 5:56 p.m.

Minutes of the Special School Board Meeting

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Of the School Board of Independent School District No. 709 held at the Historic Old Central High School, 215 North First Avenue East, Duluth, Minnesota 55802, on

Monday, June 7, 2010

Members Present:

Mary Cameron (*arrived at 4:57*)
Gary Glass
Tim Grover
Art Johnston
Tom Kasper (*excused at 5:25*)
Judy Seliga Punyko
Ann Wasson

Others Present:

Keith Dixon, Superintendent
Bill Hanson, Deputy Clerk
Sue Talerico, Sub-Secretary

Chair Grover called the special school board meeting of June 7, 2010 to order at 4:46 p.m.

Member Seliga Punyko presented the resolution:

RESOLUTION
Executive (Closed) Session

RESOLVED, By the School Board of Independent School District 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that the School Board shall meet in Executive (Closed) Session on Monday, June 7, 2010 at approximately 4:30 p.m. (or to follow Human Resources Committee meeting) in the Board Conference Room of the Historic Old Central High School for the purpose of discussing acquisition and sale of properties as listed on attachment.

Resolution B-6-10-2776

June 7, 2010

M-Seliga Punyko, S-Wasson, to approve Resolution B-10-2776 – Executive (Closed Session).

Upon a vote, the same was approved – 5-1 as follows:

Yea: Grover, Johnston, Kasper, Seliga Punyko, Wasson

Nay: Glass

Absent: Cameron

The board recessed into closed session at 4:52 p.m.

The school board reconvened into the special meeting at 5:29 p.m.

M-Wasson, S-Seliga Punyko, to table Resolution B-6-10-2777 and Resolution B-6-10-2778. Upon a vote the same was approved – unanimously.

Member Wasson presented the resolution:

R E S O L U T I O N
Authorizing the Purchase of Real Property Located at 3406 Vernon Street

WHEREAS, the School Board by Resolution B-6-07-2452 adopted a Long-range Facilities Plan for the District, and therein also directed the District's administrative staff to commence with the identification and negotiation of land to be acquired as identified in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Administration working with Johnson Controls and the District's Legal Counsel have identified property and negotiated terms to purchase the property described above; and

WHEREAS, said property will be used for school purposes including the purposes set forth in Minnesota Statute Section 123B.51.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board hereby authorizes the purchase of real property located at 3406 Vernon Street, Assessor's Parcel No. 010-0350-00580 and 010-0350-00590, further described as Block 5, Lots 6 and 7, Bryant Addition to Duluth, Third Division, City of Duluth, in St. Louis County, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the School Board authorizes the School Board Chair to execute a purchase agreement and all other documents required for closing this purchase transaction.

B-6-10-2779

June 7, 2010

M-Wasson, S-Seliga Punyko, to approve Resolution B-6-10-2779 Authorizing the Purchase of Real Property Located at 3406 Vernon Street. Upon a vote, the same was approved – 4-2 as follows:

Yea: Cameron, Grover, Seliga Punyko, Wasson

Nay: Glass, Johnston

Absent: Kasper

Member Wasson presented the resolution:

R E S O L U T I O N
Authorizing the Purchase of Real Property Located on Elm Street

WHEREAS, the School Board by Resolution B-6-07-2452 adopted a Long-range Facilities Plan for the District, and therein also directed the District's administrative staff to commence with the identification and negotiation of land to be acquired as identified in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Administration working with Johnson Controls and the District's Legal Counsel have identified property and negotiated terms to purchase the property described above; and

WHEREAS, said property will be used for school purposes including the purposes set forth in Minnesota Statute Section 123B.51.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board hereby authorizes the purchase of real property located on Elm Street, Assessor's Parcel No. Part of 010-0440-00360, further described as Lots 21 - 23, Centredale Addition to Duluth, City of Duluth, in St. Louis County, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the School Board authorizes the School Board Chair to execute a purchase agreement and all other documents required for closing this purchase transaction.

M-Wasson, S-Seliga Punyko, to approve Resolution B-6-10-2780- Authorizing the Purchase of Real Property Located on Elm Street. Upon a vote, the same was approved – 4-2 as follows:

Yea: Cameron, Grover, Seliga Punyko, Wasson

Nay: Glass, Johnston

Absent: Kasper

Member Wasson presented the resolution:

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Sale of Real Property (Facilities Management) Located at 101 East 3rd Street and East 4th Street

WHEREAS, the School Board by Resolution B-6-07-2452 adopted a Long-range Facilities Plan for the District, and therein also directed the District's administrative staff to commence with the disposition of certain non-school sites including Facilities Management; and

WHEREAS, said property will no longer be used for purposes set forth in Minnesota Statute Section 123B.51.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board hereby authorizes the sale of real property located at 101 East 3rd Street, Assessor's Parcel No. 010-0970-00120, further described as Lots 17, 19, and 21, Duluth Proper, 1st Division, East 3rd Street and Part of Lot 24 and Lots 26 and 28, East Fourth Street, Duluth Proper, First Division, City of Duluth, in St. Louis County, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the School Board authorizes the School Board Chair to execute a purchase agreement consistent with the terms considered by the board in Executive Closed Session June 7, 2010 and to sign all other documents required for closing this sale transaction.

B-6-10-2781

June 7, 2010

M-Wasson, S-Seliga Punyko, to approve Resolution B-6-10-2781 Authorizing the Sale of Real Property (Facilities Management) Located at 101 East 3rd Street and East 4th Street. Upon a vote, the same was approved – 6-0 as follows:

Yea: Cameron, Glass, Grover, Johnston, Seliga Punyko, Wasson

Absent: Kasper

Member Wasson presented the resolution:

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Purchase of Real Property Located Near Grant School

WHEREAS, the School Board by Resolution B-6-07-2452 adopted a Long-range Facilities Plan for the District, and therein also directed the District's administrative staff to commence with the identification and negotiation of land to be acquired as identified in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Administration working with Johnson Controls and the District's Legal Counsel have identified property and negotiated terms to purchase the property described above; and

WHEREAS, said property will be used for school purposes including the purposes set forth in Minnesota Statute Section 123B.51.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board hereby authorizes the purchase of .68 acres of tax-forfeited property located near Grant Elementary School, Assessor's Parcel No. Part of 010-2790-2470, 2480, 2490, 2500, 2510 and 2520, further described as Lots 13 and 14 Including Part of

Vacated Street Adjacent, Also Lots 15 and 16 Northerly 45 Feet Including Part of Vacated Street Adjacent, Also Lots 15 and 16 Northerly 50 Feet of Southerly 95 Feet, Block 26, Lakeview Division, City of Duluth, in St. Louis County, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the School Board authorizes the School Board Chair to execute a purchase agreement and all other documents required for closing this purchase transaction.

B-6-10-2782

June 7, 2010

M-Wasson, S-Seliga Punyko, to approve Resolution B-6-10-2781 Authorizing the Purchase of Real Property Located Near Grant School. Upon a vote, the same was approved – 5-1 as follows:

Yea: Cameron, Grover, Johnston, Seliga Punyko, Wasson

Nay: Glass

Absent: Kasper

Chair Grover adjourned the Special School Board meeting of June 7, 2010 at 5:37 p.m.

RESOLUTION

School Board Reaffirmation ACCEPTING THE NINE TOOLS OF CIVILITY

WHEREAS, in August 2003, the School Board of Independent School District No. 709 accepted the *Nine Tools of Civility*; and

WHEREAS, the residents of Independent School District No. 709 continue to place a high value on respect and civility in their lives and they understand that these characteristics are essential to any healthy community; and

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 709 supports opportunities for civil discourse and discussion in the community and within the School District; and

WHEREAS, the School Board of Independent School District No. 709 addresses sometimes controversial issues about which people often feel passionately – which at times leads to uncivil behavior; and

WHEREAS, an atmosphere of incivility and disrespect can have a damaging effect on the proceedings, on the quality of debate, and on the practice of democracy itself.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District No. 709 continues to recognize the *Nine Tools of Civility* that will provide increased opportunities for civil discourse in order to find positive resolutions to the issues that face our community. These Tools include:

1. Pay attention
2. Listen
3. Be inclusive
4. Don't gossip
5. Show respect
6. Be agreeable
7. Apologize
8. Give constructive criticism
9. Take responsibility

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District No. 709 shall continue to promote the use and adherence of the *Nine Tools of Civility* in conducting the business of the School Board.

Resolution B-6-10-2771

June 15, 2010

RESOLUTION**Board Member Attendance at NAP Annual Convention**

BE IT RESOLVED, That Independent School District 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, pay costs incurred, as per District policy, for school board members to attend the National Association of Parliamentarians (NAP) Annual Convention, held in St. Paul, Minnesota, August 27-29, 2010.

Independent School District 709
SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS

All meetings are scheduled at Historic Old Central High School unless otherwise noted.

Week of June 14 – June 18, 2010

Tuesday	June 15	5:30 p.m.	Special School Board Meeting (<i>Agenda Attached</i>) Recess to Executive (Closed) Session Re: Discussion of Private Educational Data Relating to Student Expulsion Reconvene to Special School Board Meeting
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Tuesday	June 15	6:30 p.m.	Regular School Board Meeting Board Room
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Week of June 21 – June 25, 2010

Thursday	June 24	TBD	Committee of the Whole Meeting Re: Update Related to Long Range Facilities Plan (LRFP) Board Room
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Week of June 28 – July 2, 2010

No meetings scheduled at this time.

Week of July 5 – July 9, 2010

No meetings scheduled at this time.

Week of July 12 – July 16, 2010

Monday	July 12	4:15 p.m.	Human Resources Committee Board Room
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Monday	July 12	4:30 p.m. (<i>or to follow Human Resources Comm. Mtg</i>)	Business Committee Board Room
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Tuesday	July 13	4:15 p.m.	Education Committee Board Room
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Week of July 19 – July 23, 2010
Tuesday July 20

6:30 p.m.

Regular School Board Meeting
Board Room

Week of July 26 – July 30, 2010
No meetings scheduled at this time.

Week of August 2 – August 6, 2010
No meetings scheduled at this time.

Office of the Superintendent
June 11, 2010