

SAUK RAPIDS-RICE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 47  
REGULAR SEMI-MONTHLY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 8, 2010

A regularly scheduled semi-monthly meeting of the Sauk Rapids-Rice ISD 47 Board of Education was called to order by Chair Braun Monday, March 8, 2010, at seven o'clock p.m. in the SRRHS Board Conference Room of said district.

**ROLL CALL**

Members present included Braun, Hauck, Holthaus, Seamans, Solarz, and Woggon. Member absent was Morse. Others present included Superintendent Vandal, Business Manager Eisenschenk, Community Education Director Grosland, Special Education Coordinator Haller, SRRHS Principal Martens, SRRMS Principal Stracke, and Rice Elementary Principal Swenson.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Holthaus, seconded by Seamans, and carried approving the meeting agenda as printed and amended.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Hauck, seconded by Solarz, and carried approving the following "Consent Agenda" items:

Minutes of February 22, 2010 School Board Meeting

Personnel

Leave requests from:

**Joseph V. Burton**, SRRMS science teacher, for an unpaid medical/FMLA leave effective May 3, 2010 through 06.04.10 for a total of 23.2785 days.

**Kay D. Olson**, elementary Title I teacher, for an unpaid medical/FMLA leave effective the end of her paid medical leave (February 22, 2010) through the remainder of the 2009-2010 school term.

**Valentine (Butch) C. Skudlarek**, SRRHS custodian I, for an unpaid medical/FMLA leave 02.02.10 through 03.16.10. He will deplete any sick leave available and take the remainder as unpaid.

**Lana L. Varoga**, PV special ed/high risk duty paraprofessional, for an unpaid medical, FMLA leave 01.04.10 through 02.19.10. Lana will deplete available sick leave and take the remainder of the leave as unpaid medical leave.

**Kathryn A. Wilson**, elementary special education teacher/integration liaison, for disability/child care leave beginning on or about 04.16.10 through the end of the 2009-2010 school term.

Employment of **Amanda L. Ahrndt** as elementary Title I long-term substitute teacher effective 03.08.10 through 06.04.10 during the absence of Kay Olson. Her salary schedule placement will be BA, Step 1.

Retirement of **Sharyl D. Neutz**, PV Title I paraprofessional, effective 06.03.10, after serving the district for 22 years.

**CONSIDERATION OF CREDIT AGREEMENT WITH A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION**

Member Woggon introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, which motion was seconded by Member Holthaus:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT TO ENTER INTO  
\*\*\*\*\*A LINE OF CREDIT AGREEMENT WITH A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION\*\*\*\*\***

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the School Board (the Board) of Independent School District No. 47, Sauk Rapids, Minnesota (the District), as follows:

**WHEREAS**, the District is authorized to enter into a line of credit agreement (the Agreement) with a financial institution, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 123B.12(b);

**WHEREAS**, the District has negotiated and reached a tentative Agreement, subject to Board approval and Bank acceptance, with Associated Bank N.A. (the Bank); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to enter into the Agreement with the Bank;

## CREDIT AGREEMENT RESOLUTION (continued)

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board as follows:

1. Upon the effective date of this resolution, the District hereby agrees to enter into the Agreement with the Bank and, thereby, establish a revolving line of credit (the Line) with the Bank whereby the Bank will advance funds to the District. The Agreement shall have a term not exceeding five years.
2. The amount advanced in any fiscal year under the Line will not exceed ninety-five per cent (95%) of the District's average expenditure per month of operating expenditures in the previous fiscal year.
3. Each advance under the Line will be repaid no later than forty-five (45) days after the day of advancement with interest on the outstanding principal amount at an interest rate not exceeding 2.95% per annum.
4. The Director of Business Services or a designee selected by the Director of Business Services is directed to prepare, or have prepared, and execute such documents as may be necessary to comply with the above paragraphs or any other requirements for the Agreement.
5. The amounts advanced under the Line are not designated as "Qualified Tax Exempt Obligations" for the purposes of Section 265 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
6. This resolution shall be effective upon receipt by the Director of Business Services on behalf of the Board of written acceptance of its terms by an authorized official of the Bank and thereafter shall constitute the terms of the Agreement.

Upon vote being taken on the foregoing resolution, the following voted in favor thereof: Braun, Hauck, Holthaus, Seamans, Solarz, and Woggon; and the following voted against the same: none (Morse being absent from the meeting) whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

### 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR SPRING COACHING ASSIGNMENTS

A motion was made by Woggon, seconded by Holthaus, and carried assigning the following coaching duties as recommended by the district's activities director:

<u>Staff</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Schedule</u>	<u>Placement</u>		<u>Season</u>
Allen, Daniel	8th grade baseball	BA+15	Step 12	4.5%	03.29.10-05.25.10
Christie, Jeremy	8th grade softball	BA+15	Step 3	4.5%	03.29.10-05.25.10
Engelhart, Michael	7th grade softball	BA+15	Step 12	4.5%	03.28.10-05.25.10
Finlayson, Loren	head girls track	BA+15	Step 12	11.0%	03.15.10-06.12.10
Fremo, Kris	head softball	BA+15	Step 8	11.0%	03.15.10-06.11.10
Fuchs, Rodney	ass't boys track	BA+15	Step 12	7.0%	03.15.10-06.12.10
Gerads, Megan	10th grade softball	BA+15	Step 4	7.0%	03.15.10-06.11.10
Heddens, Brandon	7/8th boys track	BA+15	Step 1	4.5%	03.29.10-05.25.10
Hiedeman, David	7th grade softball	BA+15	Step 12	4.5%	03.29.10-05.25.10
Hille, Jeffrey	head baseball	BA+15	Step 3	11.0%	03.22.10-06.18.10
Huberty, Steven	8th grade baseball	BA+15	Step 9	4.5%	03.29.10-05.25.10
Johnson, Eric	9th grade baseball	BA+15	Step 12	6.0%	03.22.10-06.18.10
Karasch, Aaron	ass't girls track	BA+15	Step 11	7.0%	03.15.10-06.12.10
Kelm, Chet	head boys golf	BA+15	Step 3	9.0%	03.22.10-06.09.10
Kipka, Terrence	7/8th grade boys golf	BA+15	Step 12	4.5%	03.29.10-05.25.10
Kramer, Jeremiah	10th grade baseball	BA+15	Step 2	7.0%	03.22.10-06.18.10
Lahr, Sandra	8th grade softball	BA+15	Step 3	4.5%	03.29.10-05.25.10
Magnuson, Bill	9th grade baseball	BA+15	Step 12	6.0%	03.22.10-06.18.10
Miller, Bernard	9th grade softball	BA+15	Step 12	6.0%	03.15.10-06.11.10
Peka, Ryan	ass't varsity golf	BA+15	Step 1	6.0%	03.22.10-06.09-10
Robinet, Peter	head boys track	BA+15	Step 12	11.0%	03.15.10-06.12.10
Stone, Sarah	7/8th girls track	BA+15	Step 2	4.5%	03.29.10-05.25.10
Szymanski, Ryan	7th grade baseball	BA+15	Step 3	4.5%	03.29.10-05.25.10
Trutwin, Beth	7/8th girls track	BA+15	Step 8	4.5%	03.29.10-05.25.10
Weston, Sheldon	head girls golf	BA+15	Step 12	9.0%	03.22.10-06.09-10
Zeilenga, Marie	7/8th boys track	BA+15	Step 4	4.5%	03.29.10-05.25.10

### **PERMISSION TO SEEK ROOF REPLACEMENT PROPOSALS**

A motion was made by Hauck, seconded by Solarz, and carried authorizing Business Manager Eisenschenk to seek proposals for partial replacement of roofs at SRRMS, Rice Elementary, and Pleasantview Elementary over the next few months. Work on these projects will be scheduled during the summer months and will not exceed \$210,000.

### **REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL PARAPROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE**

A motion was made by Woggon, seconded by Solarz, and carried granting the request to post a four-hour daily paraprofessional position for the remainder of the current school year to assist in the instruction of ESL students.

### **REPORTS TO THE BOARD**

#### Community Education Program Report - CE Director Grosland and Staff

CE Director Sandy Grosland reported on the ABE program, improvements to the district website, and the successful history of on-line registration for program and activities.

Youth Development Coordinator Jana Blomberg offered information on the Rice before and after school program and the SRRMS "Storm" after school program.

Kari Schugel, Community Education Program Assistant, reported on adult and youth programming, collaborative efforts among area school districts and businesses, summer program plans, and on-line education for adults.

### **PUBLIC INPUT**

There was no public input at 7:28 p.m.

### **REPORTS TO THE BOARD (continued)**

#### Middle School Transition Report - Principal Stracke

Principal Stracke offered a power point presentation on the following:

- A. School improvement initiative
- B. Data-driven programming
- C. Core and non-core subjects
- D. Teaching and student team composition
- E. Impact of house configuration changes

#### Superintendent's Report - Vandal

Report topics included:

- 1. Change in primary date; change in primary position?
- 2. CBC protocol changes in the works
- 3. Integration project planning for 2010-2011
- 4. Certified Staff Salary Committee meeting?
- 5. Accolades

#### +STATE ACTIVITIES QUALIFIERS!

Boys swimming: Josh Skozen (diving), Dustin Amberg (100 breast stroke, 100 medley relay), Zach Swanson (50 freestyle, 200 medley, 200 free relay, 400 free relay), Steve Moline (400 free relay), Lucas Olson (400 free relay), Ben Marolf (200 free relay), Zack Conklin (200 medley relay, 200 free relay), Colby Baker (200 free relay, 400 free relay), Devin Amberg (200 medley relay)

Wrestling: Erich Olson, Austin Walz, Shane Fesenmaier

Gymnastics: Sydney Schindler (balance beam, floor exercise)

+SRRHS Culinary Arts Team on to nationals! (Each student on the first place team has won over \$22,000 in scholarships!)

## **ADOPTION OF PROPOSED POLICY ADDITION #601 (SCHOOL DISTRICT CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTIONAL GOALS)**

Following the third and final reading of proposed policy addition #601 - School District Curriculum and Instructional Goals, a motion was made by Woggon, seconded by Hauck, and carried adopting the policy.

### **DISCUSSION**

#### Second Reading of Proposed Policy Addition #603 (Curriculum Development)

This is a state-mandated policy that provides direction for continuous review and improvement of the school curriculum. It has been posted for stakeholder input.

#### First Reading of Proposed Policy Replacement #616 (School District System Accountability)

This is the last in a series of three state-mandated policies addressing timely review of the district's curriculum, instruction, and student achievement. It would replace current policies #2470 and 5230.2 and will be posted for stakeholder input.

#### Budget Deliberations Continue

The latest information regarding legislative action and budget development was shared. The administrative team continues on a planning track to move this year's education program and staffing pattern largely intact into the coming year. Adjustments to be made, at this point, will be based on student enrollment shifts.

#### Transition Discussions Continue

Board members continued discussions on the administrative transitions slated to take place this spring. The next steps in the superintendent search were reviewed. Information about a proposed timeline and course of action to be taken with the elementary principal and ECFE director vacancies was shared.

#### Summer School Program Preview

A calendar of proposed summer school programs was distributed and reviewed. At the next meeting, the Board will be asked to officially authorize a summer school program and to call for the posting of relevant positions.

### **REPORTS FROM THE BOARD**

#### Support Staff Salary Committee - Holthaus

A tentative agreement has been reached with the clerical unit, and scheduled negotiation sessions continue with the food service, custodial, and paraprofessional groups.

#### Schools for Equity in Education - Woggon

A SEE regional meeting will be held in the ISD 742 district offices the morning of March 22, 2010.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business appearing before the Board, a motion was made by Solarz, seconded by Hauck, and carried adjourning the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Solarz, Board of Education Clerk  
Sauk Rapids-Rice ISD 47

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