



INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 719

4540 Tower Street SE
Prior Lake, Minnesota 55372

School Board Members: Michael Murray, Chad Rittenour, Stacey Ruelle, Lee Shimek, Todd Sorensen, Dan White, Richard Wolf

School Board Work Session Minutes

January 27, 2014
District Services Center
Professional Development Center

The work session of the Board of Education of Independent School District 719 was called to order by Chair Sorensen in the professional development center at the District Services Center on January 27, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Murray, Rittenour, Ruelle, Sorensen, White, Wolf

Board Members Absent: Shimek

Administrators Present: Superintendent Gruver, Assistant Superintendent Holmberg, Director of Human Resources Mons, Director of Business Affairs Cink, District Curriculum Coordinator Kettunen, Technology Coordinator Milazzo, District Elementary, Middle School and High School Principals

Technology Integration Specialist Soukup and Technology Coordinator Milazzo gave a board update on the upcoming 1:1 implementation at the 8th grade level. A core committee has been established and a timeline has been created. Their goal is to do the rollout this summer.

An iPad procedure document was introduced by Soukup and Professional Development Coordinator Tressel. The insurance component and what type of iPads will be purchased are still being finalized.

District Curriculum Coordinator Kettunen presented the new E-STEM logo for board consideration. The logo will be used for internal and external communications.

Assistant Superintendent Holmberg updated the board on the recent 2014-15 kindergarten and immersion registration. Current registration numbers and the transportation for immersion and SAGE students were discussed.

Director of Human Resources Mons updated the board on Q Comp and the teacher evaluation plan. The feedback from staff is favorable.

Director of Business Affairs Cink presented the 2014-15 budget parameters. Further discussion will take place at the February 24 board study session.

Superintendent Gruver presented current open enrollment numbers for the 2014-15 school year. The board will take action at the February 10, 2014 board meeting.

Superintendent Gruver and Director of Operations/Transportation Dellwo updated the board on the request for outside buildings. The football boosters are interested in constructing a building on the north side of the bleachers at Prior Lake High School. This will be coordinated with turf, track resurfacing after the first priority of a scoreboard.

The district and Nexus will be working with PLAY for a building at Twin Oaks Middle School.

Superintendent Gruver updated the board on MN State Statute: 120A.41 Length of school year: hours of instruction. PLSAS is still above the state's minimum number of instructional hours, relative to the number of school days cancelled. If the district cancels any additional days this school year, the board would like to see April 18th as a school day. This will require board action so at this point it is just an option. March 20, 2014 early release was also discussed as a possible full day of instruction. No decision was made.

At this time, board members discussed topics they would like to be reviewed at future study sessions. The current format works for all in attendance. Intramurals was one of the topics the board would like more information on. Board attendance at national conferences was also mentioned. The board would consider annual attendance of one board member who in turn would report back to others at a board meeting after their return.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Dan White, Acting Clerk/Treasurer
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