



INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 719

4540 Tower Street SE
Prior Lake, Minnesota 55372

Special School Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Education

The special meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District 719 was called to order by Board Chair Ruelle, in the board room at the District Services Center on August 25, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.

Chair Ruelle led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: Julie Bernick, Amy Crosby, Jonathan Drewes, Michael Nelson, Stacey Ruelle, Enrique Velázquez

Board Member Absent: Mary Frantz

Administration Present: Superintendent Staloch, Executive Director of Human Resources Quiram, Executive Director of Business Services Cink, District Administrators

A motion was made by Michael Nelson, seconded by Jonathan Drewes, to approve the agenda.
Motion carried: 6 – 0

Board Member Ruelle introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

SCHOOL BOARD RESOLUTION PLSAS HEALTH AND SAFETY MEASURES FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes Section 123B.09 vests the care, management, and control of independent districts in the school board; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Independent School District 719 [hereinafter the "Superintendent"] is responsible for the management of the schools, the administration of all School District policies, and is directly accountable to the School Board; and

WHEREAS, when responsibilities are not specifically prescribed nor School District policy applicable, the Superintendent shall use personal and professional judgment, subject to review by the School Board, pursuant to School District Policy 302, Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") and the Minnesota Department of Health ("MDH") have determined that the COVID-19 pandemic is currently ongoing and may remain ongoing for an unknown time; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Education ("MDE") has issued and may continue to issue written guidance for Minnesota schools on educational issues related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the MDH has issued and may continue to issue written guidance for Minnesota schools on public health issues related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent and the administration of the School District have conferred with the School Board regarding COVID-19 health and safety measures, the current CDC, MDE, and MDH requirements for each, and other relevant information; and

WHEREAS, based upon the collective consideration of these factors, the Superintendent has recommended to the School Board that the following Prior Lake-Savage Area Schools COVID-19 Safe Learning Plan be implemented beginning on August 25 in preparation for the 2021-2022 school year:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 719 as follows:

Section 1: The Superintendent is hereby directed to implement the PLSAS Safe Learning Plan to open the 2021-2022 school year. As circumstances warrant and guidance from the CDC, MDH, MDE change, the School Board authorizes the Superintendent to adjust those mitigation measures as needed.

Section 2: The Superintendent is hereby authorized, after consultation with the School Board Chair and notification to the School Board, to select and implement different health and safety measures for the School District or any specific school buildings without School Board action if the Superintendent reasonably believes that prompt implementation of different health and safety measures is necessary, and that constraints of time and public health considerations render it impractical to hold a School Board meeting to approve the implementation. The health and safety measures selected and implemented by the Superintendent shall continue in effect unless and until the School Board, in consultation with the Superintendent and appropriate school district staff and public health officials, deems it in the best interest of the School District and its students to implement different health and safety measures.

Section 3: The Superintendent will provide regular updates to the School Board regarding the School District's efforts to implement COVID-19 related educational and public health guidance issued by the MDE and the MDH, respectively.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Board Member Drewes, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Bernick, Crosby, Drewes, Nelson, Ruelle, Velazquez

and the following voted against the same: none

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Adopted this 25th day of August, 2021.

Executive Director of Human Resources Quiram presented a request for additional licensed staff for 2021-22. A motion was made by Julie Bernick, seconded by Enrique Velázquez to approve the following additional staffing for Laker Online as follows:

- Elementary Classroom Teacher (1.0 FTE) – Districtwide - \$62,500
- Secondary Classroom Teacher (1.0 FTE) – Districtwide - \$62,500
- Special Education Teacher (0.5 FTE) – Districtwide - \$42,500

Motion carried: 6 - 0

A motion was made by Amy Crosby, seconded by Julie Bernick, to adjourn.

Motion carried: 6 – 0

Meeting adjourned at 2:16 p.m.

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