

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

December 19, 2023

The Truth in Taxation Hearing of Independent School District No. 518, Worthington, Minnesota, was held at the Worthington High School Band Room, 1211 Clary Street, Worthington, Minnesota on December 19, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. The hearing adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

A regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 518, Worthington, Minnesota, was held at the Worthington High School Band Room, 1211 Clary Street, Worthington, Minnesota on December 19, 2023, at 6:15 p.m.

The following were present: BOARD MEMBERS – Lori Dudley, Steve Schnieder, Joel Lorenz, Tom Prins, Adam Blume, Erin Schutte, Matt Widboom

ADMINISTRATORS – John Landgaard, Superintendent, Dave Skog, Director of Operations and Josh Noble, Director of Instruction

Correspondence and Recognition: The board recognized the following employees/students: Edward Sierra Perez an 8th Grade student at the Middle School who received fourth place and qualified for Esports State finals. Congratulated Marisa Thier and Ian Barber on being named Triple A award recipients.

1. Motion by Member Blume, seconded by Member Dudley and unanimously passed to approve the Consent Agenda for the December 19, 2023, School Board meeting.
2. Motion by Member Blume, seconded by Member Dudley and unanimously passed to approve the Main Agenda for the December 19, 2023, School Board meeting.
3. Motion by Member Prins, seconded by Member Widboom and unanimously passed to approve the November 21, 2023, Regular School Board meeting minutes and the November 20, 2023, and November 29, 2023, Special School Board meeting minutes.

Motion by Member Prins, seconded by Member Widboom and unanimously passed to accept the school board committee meeting minutes as received.

4. Motion by Member Schnieder, seconded by Member Schutte and unanimously passed to approve the action of the items on the Consent Agenda as follows:

4.1 Financial Reports -

- A. Approved Investments Matured and Purchased
- B. Approved Wire Transfers
- C. Approved Claims and Accounts for December 19, 2023, as per Board Check Register

	<u>December 19, 2023</u>
GENERAL FUND	\$346,011.49
FOOD SERVICE	\$72,772.96
COMMUNITY SERVICE	\$9,523.94
CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$84,816.87
DEBT SERVICE	\$1,500.00
NCIC	\$6,739.39

STUDENT ACTIVITY
MONTH TOTAL

\$8,375.38
\$529,740.03

D. Approved the Community Education Imprest Cash Account in the amount of \$0 for November 2023.

- 4.2.1. Approved resignation of Nahlahhserpaw Moodoh as Childcare Assistant at Community Education effective November 27, 2023.
- 4.2.2. Approved resignation of America Barerra Garcia as Childcare Assistant at Community Education effective November 27, 2023.
- 4.2.3. Approved resignation of Logan Somnis as Class II Paraprofessional at Prairie Elementary effective December 1, 2023.
- 4.2.4. Approved termination of Rose Bautista as Interpreter at the Middle School effective November 21, 2023.
- 4.2.5. Approved termination of Emely Gonzalez Sanchez as Class II Paraprofessional at the Middle School effective November 7, 2023.
- 4.2.6. Approved termination of Analise Ramirez as Class II Paraprofessional at Prairie Elementary effective November 28, 2023.
- 4.2.7. Approved resignation of Victoria Loza as Class I Paraprofessional at the Intermediate School effective December 22, 2023.
- 4.2.8. Approved resignation of Vannaly Soukboutha Henrichs as Class II Paraprofessional at the Middle School effective December 19, 2023.
- 4.2.9. Approved retirement of Marguerite Riemersma as Cook at Prairie Elementary effective January 4, 2024.
- 4.2.10. Approved resignation of Vejie Darling as Class I Paraprofessional at Prairie Elementary effective January 12, 2024.
- 4.3.1. Approved employment of Teresa Bravo as Class II Paraprofessional at Community Education effective November 15, 2023.
- 4.3.2. Approved employment of Jasselin Perez Perez as Class I Paraprofessional at Community Education effective November 27, 2023.
- 4.3.3. Approved employment of Ian Stammer as Class II Paraprofessional at the Middle School effective November 27, 2023.
- 4.3.4. Approved employment of Jon Vorwald as High School Assistant Boys Basketball Coach effective November 20, 2023.
- 4.3.5. Approved a change in employment for Sarah Browen from a Teacher to a Paraprofessional at the Middle School effective November 28, 2023.
- 4.3.6. Approved a change in employment for Mindy Paz from a Paraprofessional to a Cook at the Intermediate School effective November 29, 2023.
- 4.3.7. Approved employment of Patricia Navarro Valladares as Custodian at the Intermediate School effective November 29, 2023.
- 4.3.8. Approved a change in employment for Isela Sanchez from a Paraprofessional to the Online Administrative Assistant with VIBE effective December 1, 2023.
- 4.3.9. Approved employment of Karla Schwebach as Class I Custodian at the Intermediate School effective December 1, 2023.
- 4.3.10. Approved employment of Isaac Ramirez as VIBE Test Proctor with the VIBE Online Program effective December 19, 2023.
- 4.3.11. Approved employment of Austin Bauer as Special Education Teacher at the Middle School effective August 18, 2023.
- 4.3.12. Approved employment of Bridget Borer as NCIC Achievement and Integration Coordinator effective December 18, 2023.
- 4.3.13. Approved employment of Tah So Ghay Collah as Enrichment Program Facilitator with Community Education effective December 18, 2023.

- 4.3.14. Approved employment of Maria del Sagrario as Enrichment Program Facilitator with Community Education effective December 18, 2023.
- 4.3.15. Approved employment of Flor Ayala Argueta as Targeted Services Rover Site Assistant effective December 12, 2023.
- 4.3.16. Approved employment of Rachel Grages as Targeted Services Rover Prairie Educational Assistant effective November 16, 2023.
- 4.3.17. Approved employment of Paleh Paw Shwe as Childcare Paraprofessional with Community Education effective December 12, 2023.
- 4.3.18. Approved employment of McKayla Gravenhof as Testing Supervisor at the Intermediate School effective January 8, 2024.
- 4.3.19. Approved an increase in assignment for Dalen Schulz as IT Support Technician from a .5 FTE to a 1.0 FTE effective December 18, 2023.
- 4.4 The board approved the acceptance of the following donations for the month of November 2023: Worthington Optimist Club for the Discovery Room; Tripp Abstract Co. for Dance; Kwik Trip, Youth in Music, King Turkey Day Committee and MN Soybean Processors for the marching band and The Daily Apple, Country Stork and State Farm Jessica Noble for the Class of 2024.
- 4.5 Approved the 2023-2024 seniority lists.
- 4.6 Approved an employee's request for sick leave (due to pregnancy) from April 29, 2024, through the end of the 2023-2024 school year.
- 4.7 Approved an employee's request for sick leave (due to pregnancy) from May 13, 2024, through the end of the 2023-2024 school year.
5. Chris Ziemer and Pat Overom from ICS Consulting gave a presentation on potential facilities and site improvements.
6. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Widboom to approve Resolution Directing the Reallocation of General Education Revenue. Motion passed by roll call vote 7 to 0. Resolution is on file at the District Office.
7. Motion by Member Widboom, seconded by Member Blume to approve the Resolution Directing Administration to Make Recommendations for Possible Reductions. Motion passed by roll call vote 7 to 0. Resolution is on file at the District Office.
8. Motion by Member Schnieder, seconded by Member Prins and unanimously passed to approve the 2024 Legislative Priorities.
9. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Schutte to certify the 2023 levy payable 2024 in the amount of \$8,834,267.95. Motion passed 5 to 2 with Members Blume and Prins dissenting.
10. Motion by Member Blume, seconded by Member Prins and unanimously passed to approve the SWWC Service Cooperative Movie Licensing USA Consortium Purchase Renewal.
11. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Prins and unanimously passed to approve the 2024-2025 B2 school calendar, and the 2024-2025 VIBE calendar and the 2024-2025 B2 preschool calendar.
12. Motion by Member Prins, seconded by Member Blume and unanimously passed to approve a work-based learning program for Special Education Students.

13. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Blume to approve the first reading of revised Policy 606 Textbooks and Instructional Materials.

Motion by Member Schutte, seconded by Member Prins to table policy 606 to address the process flow.

The motion to table failed 4 to 3 with Members Dudley, Lorenz, Blume and Schnieder dissenting.

The original motion passed 5 to 2 with Members Schutte and Prins dissenting.

14. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Schutte and unanimously passed to approve two student teaching agreements with the College of St. Benedict/St. John's University and Grand Canyon University.
15. Motion by Member Blume, seconded by Member Widboom and unanimously passed to approve concession stand credit card acceptance.
16. Motion by Member Schnieder, seconded by Member Blume and unanimously passed to approve a medical leave of absence for an employee from January 3, 2024, through March 1, 2024.
17. Motion by Member Schnieder, seconded by Member Prins and unanimously passed to accept the low bid from Henning Construction for the Middle School parking lot phase 3 for the base and alternate #1 in the amount of \$998,329.75.
18. The board discussed the ice arena and agreed to continue with discussions and schedule a work session.

The Board further discussed and reviewed the following matters: Investments and financial status; Superintendent's Report – Mr. Landgaard reported the following: Ag presentation to the board; potential facilities and grounds items; notice for earned safe and sick time to employees and employees will earn an hour for every 30 hours worked; and closing for the property is July 4th. Instructional Committee Report – Ms. Dudley reported the following: High School schedule changes discussion. Operations Committee Report – Mr. Schnieder reported the following: Ag educational program with property purchased. Other Reports – None. Other Business - None. Future Business – Scheduled a special school board reorganizational meeting for January 8, 2024, at 7:00 a.m. in the District Office.

Steve Schnieder, Clerk

Lisa Ahrenstorff, Deputy Clerk