

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

January 16, 2024

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 January 16, 2024, at 6:15 p.m.

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

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: None.

A presentation was given by the High School Ag Department and MN West regarding the Ag Plan Program.

1. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Blume and unanimously passed to approve the Consent Agenda for the January 16, 2024, School Board meeting with the removal of 4.2.3 termination of Samantha Cerda.
2. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Blume and unanimously passed to approve the Main Agenda for the January 16, 2024, School Board meeting with the addition of 5.9 approve 2024-2025 budget calendar and assumptions.
3. Motion by Member Schnieder, seconded by Member Schutte and unanimously passed to approve the December 19, 2023, Regular School Board meeting minutes and the January 8, 2024, Special School Board meeting minutes.

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

4. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Blume 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 January 16, 2024, as per Board Check Register

	<u>January 15, 2024</u>
GENERAL FUND	\$2,255,648.65
FOOD SERVICE	\$153,921.40
TRANSPORTATION	\$140,032.86
COMMUNITY SERVICE	\$78,127.54
CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$192,204.13
NCIC	\$85,972.12
STUDENT ACTIVITY	<u>\$27,800.04</u>
MONTH TOTAL	\$2,933,706.74

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

- 4.2.1. Approved termination of Roxana Castillo as Class I Paraprofessional at the High School effective December 18, 2023.
- 4.2.2. Approved resignation of Guadalupe Rendon as Cultural Liaison with NCIC effective December 15, 2023.
- 4.2.3. Approved resignation of Sharla Westmoreland as Class II Paraprofessional at the High School effective January 4, 2024.
- 4.2.4. Approved resignation of Erika Hernandez as Class I Paraprofessional at the Middle School effective January 5, 2024.
- 4.2.5. Approved resignation of Orin Kaufman as Class I Paraprofessional at the Intermediate School effective January 24, 2024.
- 4.2.6. Approved resignation of America Barrera Garcia as a Class I Paraprofessional with Community Education effective January 9, 2024.
- 4.2.7. Approved resignation of Paulina Pass as Cook at the Middle School effective January 19, 2024.

- 4.3.1. Approved employment of Sally Anderson as Rover Middle School EDGE Teacher effective December 19, 2023.
- 4.3.2. Approved employment of Heather Schock as Class II Paraprofessional at Prairie Elementary effective December 20, 2023.
- 4.3.3. Approved employment of Isabelle Vail as Class I Paraprofessional at the Intermediate School effective January 4, 2024.
- 4.3.4. Approved employment of Allison Johnson as Class II Paraprofessional at Prairie Elementary effective January 3, 2024.
- 4.3.5. Approved employment of Emily Gonzalez Sanchez as Class II Paraprofessional at the Middle School effective December 18, 2023.
- 4.3.6. Approved an overload of .166 FTE for quarter 3 and 4 for LeAnn Barduson as Math Teacher at the High School effective January 22, 2024.
- 4.3.7. Approved an overload of .083 FTE for quarter 3 for Rhonda Bonnstetter as Math Teacher at the High School effective January 22, 2024.
- 4.3.8. Approved employment of Paulina Pass as Class II Paraprofessional at the Learning Center effective January 8, 2024.
- 4.3.9. Approved employment of Payton Sauerbrei as English Language Arts Teacher at the High School effective January 22, 2024.
- 4.3.10. Approved employment of America Barrera Garcia as a Class II Paraprofessional with Community Education effective January 10, 2024.
- 4.3.11. Approved employment of Jessica DeKam as BCC Team Committee Member at the Middle School effective January 3, 2024.
- 4.3.12. Approved an overload of .127 FTE for Rhea Melby as EBD Teacher at the Intermediate School effective January 3, 2024, until the end of the school year.
- 4.3.13. Approved an overload of .127 FTE for Avery Wysong as ASD Teacher at the Intermediate School effective January 3, 2024, until the end of the school year.

- 4.4 The board approved the acceptance of the following donations for the month of December 2023: Prairie Elementary Discovery room from the Garden Club, Robotics from the SW Initiative Foundation and Ellen Baker Merrigan, Ag Department from John Aanenson for bussing, Wellness room from Smith Trucking employees and Randy and Amy Shirbroun, Community Connectors from United Way, National Honor Society from Anne Foley, FFA from Nobles County Soybean Growers and Learning Center student activities from the Eagles Club.

- 4.5 Approved summer school dates from June 10-28, 2024.
- 4.6 Approved an employee's request for sick leave (due to pregnancy) from April 9, 2024, through May 20, 2024.
5. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Blume and unanimously passed to approve second reading of Policy 606 Textbooks and Instructional Materials.
6. Motion by member Blume, seconded by Member Schnieder to approve the removal of two flags in question at the High School. Motion passed 4 to 1 with Member Schutte dissenting.
7. Motion by Member Blume, seconded by Member Schnieder and unanimously passed to approve revised 2024-2025 VIBE calendar.
8. The board discussed the ice arena.
9. Motion by Member Schnieder, seconded by Member Schutte and unanimously passed to approve the budget amendment.
10. Motion by Member Blume, seconded by Member Dudley and unanimously passed to approve Ag Plan Program.
11. The board discussed potential facilities and ground investments.
12. The board discussed a bond referendum.
13. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Schutte and unanimously passed to approve the 2024-2025 Budget Calendar and Assumptions.

The Board further discussed and reviewed the following matters: Investments and financial status; Superintendent's Report – Mr. Landgaard reported the following: Intermediate School and the District Office both had freezing pipes issues this week. Instructional Committee Report – Mr. Lorenz reported the following: None. Operations Committee Report – Ms. Schutte reported the following: the committee discussed bringing a referendum to vote in November. Other Reports – None. Other Business - None. Future Business – None.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Steve Schnieder, Clerk

Lisa Ahrenstorff, Deputy Clerk