

**Plainview-Elgin-Millville  
Independent School District No. 2899  
Board Of Education  
October 13, 2008  
DRAFT AND UNOFFICIAL**

The School Board of Independent School District No. 2899, Plainview, MN met in a regular session on Monday, October 13, 2008. Members present: Sue Tangen, Rita Young, Carol Cravath, Rich Hall, Michael Hamilton, Stacy Fox, Sheri Sexton, Lynn Zabel, Erika Hippe, Jane Timm, Gary Kuphal, and Marcia Schultz. Visitors: Jan Sackreiter, Lynn Bastian, Clark Olstad, Bill Ihrke, Jake Donze, Amber Copley, Ken Bigelow, Brittany Diedrich, Darren Bartz, Cassandra Gruhlke, Sue Meyer, Kendal Norregaard, Hannah Thompson, Brianne Dohrn, Justin Clark, Ryan Grobe, Marissa Norton, Thomas Ferk, Cody Narveson, Brianna Passe, Brittany Speer, Tessa Holst, Lindsey Olson, Courtney Wolf, Angela Feils, Josh Wohlers, Bill Ihrke, Mandee Schultz, Ross Grobe, Ben Evers, Matt Osborn, Steve Fenske, Mike Gustafson, Ralph Heimerman, Annie Peterson, Jennifer Simon, Nicole Haley, Joshua Schmidt, Derek Ernst and Matt Pick.

Called to order at 6:00PM by Chair Young.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moved by Hall, seconded by Cravath to approve the agenda and addendum as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

FFA Presentation by Mandee Schultz and Brianne Dohrn.

Principals' Reports:

Lynn Bastian: Grades 2 and 3 completed NWEA testing, First Grade will have their second "Incredible Years" training session October 21, Extended Day begins Monday, October 20, H.A.T.S. continues to be emphasized in the PK-3 building, updated migrant withdrawals.

Clark Olstad: NWEA fall testing is completed at the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade in the areas of math and reading, Extended Day starts on Monday, October 20 at the 4-6 bldg., Katie Ferden – 4-8 buildings raising money to help family with expenses, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Courage Retreat – Friday, Oct. 10 – Outstanding day for all students.

Bill Ihrke: Attendance numbers down students (3 migrants – 2 drop out); advisory period tomorrow.

Jake Donze: Business cards, early out on Wednesday.

Technology Report by Matt Anderson.

Monthly Budget Report by Jan Sackreiter.

Superintendent's Report given by Gary Kuphal included the following topics: Instant Alert, enrollment numbers, new AEDs & Training, Audit books need to be returned for a change on one page.

Board Committee Reports:

*HVED*: Purchased new equipment for the hearing impaired; Bought Boardbook System,

*Southeast Service Cooperative*: Revising health insurance policy, Mobile science lab, October 23 Health Promotion Plan, Sending someone from SE MN to National Spelling Bee, RTI training next June for secondary.

*Transportation & Facilities*: Summary on how bussing is going; Status of the HVAC project; New law that involves a licensing for drivers of our type 3 vans; ESG has completed their mid-term evaluation of the Elgin buildings; Window replacements and garage are moving along.

Public Comment – Tessa Holst and Josh Schmidt commented on the proposal for the last four days of school to be dismissed for seniors – very good privilege that meet the criteria and something to strive for, it would improve grades and attendance.

Moved by Timm, seconded by Hall to approve the consent agenda as follows: Personnel: Paul Aarsvold, National Honor Society Advisor – hire; Additional 15 minutes per day for crossing guard time (split between Donna Schneider and Julie Meyers), Head and Assistant Speech coaches request to switch positions; Kari Donze, JrHi Knowledge Bowl Advisor – Hire; Kristy Ranta, Math League Advisor – Resignation; Jake Donze, SrHi Knowledge Advisor – Hire; Andrew Bernard, Math League Advisor – Hire; Julie Yost-Minnich – Maternity Leave Request; Jacque Hick, Long Term Sub for Julie Yost-Minnich – Hire; Treasurer's Report, October Bills in the amount of \$785,737.49; Minutes from September 8, 17, October 1, Cancel Truth & Taxation Meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Moved by Hall, seconded by Hamilton to approve the addition of a half-time Special Education Para to PK-3 building. Motion passed unanimously.

Moved by Hamilton, seconded by Timm to approve Jeff Henry as the Integration Technology Specialist for the 2008-2009 school year, effective Monday, October 20. Salary will be a double overload, prorated effective October 20. Motion passed unanimously.

Moved by Hamilton, seconded by Cravath to approve the snow removal quote for the 2008-2009 school year from Jech Excavating. Motion passed unanimously.

Moved by Hall, seconded by Fox to approve Early Release for Seniors at the end of the school year, providing they meet the criteria as presented. No: Tangen, Cravath Yes: Hippe, Fox, Hamilton, Sexton, Hall, Timm, Zabel, Young Motion passed.

Moved by Hamilton, seconded by Hall to approve the expenditure of \$1,500 towards the salary of the Family Services Director's salary of the Plainview Area Migrant Council. Motion passed unanimously. Abstain: Young Motion passed.

Moved by Cravath, seconded by Fox to approve the 2008-2009 District Goals as follows:

**Aim #1: High Student Achievement**

- Provide an educational environment that challenges all learners to raise their level of achievement
- Integrate technology throughout the district as a teaching and learning tool
- Partner with parents and communities to foster student learning

**Aim #2: A Safe, Welcoming, Engaging Learning Environment**

- Promote an atmosphere that encourages tolerance, respect and responsibility
- Promote a welcoming environment that encourages community involvement and participation

**Aim #3: Effective and Efficient Operations**

- Increase effectiveness and efficiency through a continuous improvement process
- Attain and maintain an unrestricted/undesignated fund balance of at least one month's operating expenses
- Educate and promote environmentally-responsible decision-making throughout the district

Moved by Hall, seconded by Sexton to approve the 2008-2009 seniority list as presented. Yes – Cravath, Fox, Hall, Hippe, Sexton, Tangen, Timm, Young, Zabel Hamilton – NO Motion passed.

Board Members Comments: Hall – “Every 15 Minutes” will be coming on April 16, 17, 18 (week before Prom) – mock accident. Hamilton – MSHSL has grants available; Flattum should look into those grants.

Moved by Tangen, seconded by Sexton to adjourn the meeting at 7:36PM.