

## **Minutes of the Regular Meeting**

Joint Powers Board  
Northwest Suburban Integration School District #6078

**June 18, 2014**

### **Call to Order**

Chair Tynjala called the regular meeting of the Joint Powers Board to order at 6:16 P.M. on Wednesday, June 18, 2014 at the Northwest Suburban Integration School District Office. Members present: Kris Abrahamson, Jane Bunting, Janelle Collier, Tammie Epley, Ken Ogden, Chris Riddle, Jeff Simon, and Jon Tynjala. Also in attendance: Interim Executive Director Gretchen Peel, Superintendent Mark Bonine (Brooklyn Center), and Dr. Antoinette Johns (Consultant).

### **Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Riddle, seconded by Epley, to approve the agenda as presented for June 18, 2014. Upon vote being taken, all voted in favor, none voted against. Motion carried.

### **Executive Director, Programming and Other Reports**

- 1. Examination of the NWSISD Organizational Leadership Structure:** Dr. Kenneth Dragseth & Dr. Antoinette Johns have been contracted by the Joint Powers Board to conduct a thorough examination of the NWSISD organizational structure including staffing, programs, and budgets. Interviews are being held with superintendents, board members, NWS staff and MDE leadership. Dr. Johns provided a history of NWS and presented the list of questions being utilized for interviews. Johns will contact each board member to gain their perspective as part of the study. Johns stated the final report will be submitted to NWSISD on July 11, 2014 and will be forwarded to superintendents and board members on that day. The superintendents will meet on July 15 and the board will meet on July 23 to hear the final report from the consultants. Governance for NWSISD was also discussed and recommendations from the board will be helpful for structure moving forward.
- 2. Legislative/EMID/WMEP/NWS Update:** Gretchen Peel presented the monthly legislative update as received by Amundson Strategies.
- 3. Financial Report:** Gretchen Peel presented the monthly financial report, including the high school grant update.
- 4. Revised AIM Plan Update:** Peel reported that MDE has once again contacted NWSISD requesting additional information to be included in the AIM Plan, originally submitted per board approval on March 20, 2014. Peel will work with NWSISD staff to revise the plan and will resubmit as appropriate.

### **Discussion and Action Items**

- 1. Approval of (New) Magnet Schools Policy #625 and Revised Lottery Policy #624**  
Motion by Abrahamson, seconded by Bunting, to approve new Magnet Schools Policy #625 and revised Lottery Policy #624 as presented. Upon vote being taken, all voted in favor, none voted against. Motion carried.
- 2. Approval to Remove Magnet School**  
Motion by Riddle, seconded by Simon, for approval to remove Evergreen Park World Cultures Community School from the NWSISD Magnet Schools effective FY 2014-15. Upon vote being taken, all voted in favor, none voted against. Motion carried.

### **3. Discussion for Adding Magnet Schools**

Discussion was held regarding clarity when a member district makes a request to NWSISD to add a particular school or schools to the NWSISD magnet schools roster. Currently, when such a request is made, it is discussed at the superintendent advisory group level and recommendations are placed on a board agenda for potential discussion and or/approval. By following this process, the superintendents are able to discuss and have a clear understanding of the impact it could have for the consortium. Board members felt a clear process should be developed and should address factors such as data analysis, movement of students, and whether the requested school fits the mission, vision, and goals of NWSISD. It was further discussed that adding or removing magnet schools should be a board action/decision and not necessarily made at the superintendent advisory group level. Simon (Anoka-Hennepin) and Riddle (Fridley) asked that an open discussion item be added to the next board meeting agenda to include potential approval for requested schools within their respective districts as NWSISD magnet schools.

### **Consent Agenda**

Motion by Ogden, seconded by Epley, to approve the Consent Agenda of routine action items including: Check Register for May 2014; and Minutes from the regular Joint Powers Board meeting held on May 21, 2014.

### **Written Information Presented**

1. Updated Joint Powers Board Directory
2. 2014 Step-Up Boys Sumer Summit Program Information

### **Adjournment**

Motion by Riddle, seconded by Epley, to adjourn the meeting at 7.25 PM. Upon vote being taken, all voted in favor, none voted against. Motion carried.

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Jane Bunting  
Board Clerk