

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

Joint Powers Board
Northwest Suburban Integration School District #6078

August 18, 2010

Call to Order

Chair Lindblad called the regular meeting of the Joint Powers Board to order at 6:17 PM on Wednesday, August 18, 2010 at the Northwest Suburban Integration School District Office. Members present: Kris Abrahamson, Janelle Henry, Marcia Lindblad, Lin Myszkowski, Patti Pokorney, and ex-officio Mark Robertson. Paul Durand from Rockford attended as the representative for the Superintendent advisory group and Tammie Epley attended as representative for the Community Collaborative Council. Absent: Tom Shinnick, Scott Wenzel.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Henry, seconded by Pokorney, to accept the agenda as presented for August 18, 2010. Upon vote being taken, all voted in favor, none voted against. Motion carried.

Interim Executive Director and Staff Reports

1. **Carlos Mariani Rosa's Context Paper**: Robertson presented a copy of the Minnesota Minority Education Program (MMEP) context paper.
2. **Financial Report**: Robertson presented the monthly financial report.
3. **State and Federal Grants**: Robertson reported that Evergreen Elementary, Birch Grove and Brooklyn Center IB each applied for a \$100,000 local grant. If grants are awarded it will enhance these magnet programs next year. NWSISD has not yet received notification for the federal grant application submitted, however grant award recipients may be notified in September. NWSISD also applied for a no-cost extension for this year's current federal grant which allows magnets schools to spend down.
4. **Asset Distribution**: Robertson reported that all excess inventory has been distributed to member districts or was recycled accordingly. Member districts were pleased with the equipment received.
5. **Lobbyist Report**: Robertson presented the monthly report from Amundson Strategies.

Discussion Items

1. **Discussion of FY10-11 Budget**: Robertson reported that a new budget will be brought back to the September or October board meeting for approval. Robertson also presented the current funding model which included Mounds View's proposed revenue.
2. **Discussion of Mounds View joining the NWS Collaborative**: Mounds View School District expressed interest and was approved by the State of Minnesota to join the NWSISD collaborative. Mounds View does not have magnet schools at this time, however if one is added, it would be placed strategically for all member districts. The first year will be a funding year; however they will have full access to NWSISD resources.
3. **Discussion of Association of Metropolitan School Districts (AMSD) Membership/Benefits**: Robertson reported that NWSISD would become a member with the Association of Metropolitan School Districts (AMSD) and stated that most Minnesota districts are a part of AMSD. The mission of AMSD is to advocate for state education policy that enables metropolitan school districts to improve student learning. The membership fee is \$3000 per year.
4. **Audit Discussion**: Audit with KDV is scheduled for October 6-8, 2010. A preliminary meeting will be held on September 14th to prepare for the audit. A preliminary audit will be presented to the board at the October board meeting.
5. **Board Packet on Website** – Members reported they did not experience problems accessing the electronic packets via the website and expressed their approval of the new process.

Business Action Agenda Items

1. **Approval of Mounds View District joining NWSISD Collaborative**

Motion by Pokorney, seconded by Myszkowski, to approve the request received from Mounds View School District to become an official member district of Northwest Suburban Integration School District. Upon vote being taken, all voted in favor, none voted against. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda Routine Action Items

Motion by Pokorney, seconded by Henry, to approve the Consent Agenda of routine action items: check register for June 8 – August 6, 2010; and minutes from the regular Joint Powers Board Meeting held on June 16, 2010. Upon vote being taken, all voted in favor, none voted against. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Abrahamson, seconded by Henry, to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 PM. Upon vote being taken, all voted in favor, none voted against. Motion carried.

Patti Pokorney
Board Clerk