

HAWLEY SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING

April 22, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kara Brager, Jeff Lee, Cody Marshall, Steve Olson, Mark Sellin, Bobbi Siegel and TJ Tibbetts

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Phil Jensen, Kelly Anderson, Maria Beringer, Brett Mayer Schmit, Luke Pfothauer and Jordan Pangrac (Ingensa) Mindy Halvorson, Sean Mork, Jen Miller, Mindy Halvorson, Nate Stoa, Ben Gunkelman, Hannah Johnson, Olivia Sandahl, Nick Birchem.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Marshall at 7:00 p.m.
Addition to the agenda of 1.4a - Member Marshall requested an officer change.

Olson/Brager to approve the amended agenda as presented.

Chairman Marshall stepped down as Chair.

Member Olson nominated Member Sellin to serve as Chairman of the Board: there being no other nominations, Member Sellin was declared elected by acclamation.

Member Sellin nominated Member Brager to serve as Vice Chairman of the Board: there being no other nominations, Member Brager was declared elected by acclamation.

Motion carried: 7-0

The following Committee Reports were given: Member Olson – Finance; Member Sellin – Activities and Facilities; Member Siegel – Community Ed; Member Tibbetts – Clay County Collaborative; Member Brager – Lake Agassiz

Kelly Anderson presented the High School Principal's report.

Brett Mayer Schmit presented the Activities Director/Transportation report.

Superintendent Jensen presented the Administrative report.

Enrollment numbers for April 1, 2024 were presented – 1,071 students K-12.

Scheduled Meetings: Regular Board Meeting – Tuesday, May 28th @ 7:00 pm

Siegel/Olson to approve the consent agenda:

- 4.1 March 25, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- 4.2 FaCS Teacher – Stephanie Critchley (\$57,360 Lane 5/Step A) 2024-25 School Year
- 4.3 Spanish Teacher– Kendra Kvebak – (\$54,233 Lane 1/Step C) 2024-25 School Year
- 4.4 Head Cook – Julia Wentz – (\$20.86/hr Lane 8/Step L)
- 4.5 HR/Payroll Specialist – Tami Cusey – \$58,500 (23-24) \$62,750 (24-25) [Effective 5/6/24]
- 4.6 Resignation – Suzanne Cartwright – Cooks Helper
- 4.7 Resignation – Jenny Whitteron – SPED Driver [May 24, 2024]
- 4.8 Resignation – Tamra Bigger – 7th Grade VB Coach
- 4.9 Resignation – Bailey Phillips – Asst. 8th Grade VB Coach
- 4.10 Resignation – Tami Cusey – Elementary Administrative Assistant [Effective 5/3/24]
- 4.11 Resignation – Kim Jeral – Speech Coach (end of 23/24 season)
- 4.12 Resignation – Bill Gottenborg – Community Ed Director
- 4.13 Retirement – Cheryl Wicker [May 24, 2024]
- 4.14 Summer Technology – Tracy Baxter and Scott Mies [24- \$4,135] [25-\$4,340] [26-\$4,557]
- 4.15 Pre School Tuition - \$100 – 3yr olds/\$200 – 4/5yr olds [24-25]

4.16 Two Year leave of absence – Bill Gottenborg - Head Girls BB Coach
Motion carried: 7-0

Brager/Olson to approve the \$828 donation from the American Online Giving Foundation for Robotics.
Motion carried: 7-0

Siegel/Brager to approve the \$50 Bell Bank donation as part of their custom debit card program.
Motion carried: 7-0

Olson/Brager to approve the April board bills totaling \$1,051,014.74 (ACH & Checks #72473-72626) and Treasurer's Report as presented.
Motion carried: 7-0

Lee/Siegel to accept the quote from Premium Lawn Service for grounds maintenance work as presented.
Motion carried: 7-0

Member Lee introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADDITION OF MEMBER DISTRICT
LAKE AGASSIZ EDUCATION COOPERATIVE**

WHEREAS, a Joint Powers Agreement, superseding the previous Joint Powers Agreement dated July 1, 1999 was entered into on September 18, 2018, between the following Minnesota Independent School Districts (“Member Districts”): Independent School District No. 146 of Barnesville, Independent School District No. 150 of Hawley, Independent School District No. 914 of Ulen-Hitterdal, Independent School District No. 2889 of Lake Park Audubon, and Independent School District No. 2215 of Norman County East establishing a Joint Powers Education Cooperative to be known as Lake Agassiz Education Cooperative (“the Cooperative”) and Joint Powers Education Cooperative Board (“Cooperative Board”).

WHEREAS, a Joint Powers Agreement for the Construction and Maintenance of Cooperative Facilities was entered into on June 15, 2020, incorporating and restating the Joint Powers Agreement dated September 18, 2018, between Lake Agassiz Education Cooperative and the Member Districts establishing a framework to finance the acquisition of real property, and the construction, renovation, betterment and equipping of a new education facility (“Project Building”); and

WHEREAS, the Joint Powers Agreement dated September 18, 2018, allows for the addition of member districts upon application to the Cooperative Board, subscription to the Joint Powers Agreement, and unanimous consent of the current Member Districts; and

WHEREAS, districts that apply to become a Member District shall also agree to pay the Cooperative a pro-rata cost for the real and personal property owned by the Cooperative, the cost of which (or portion thereof) has been assessed against each of the Member Districts. The Executive Director will calculate this amount from the records he or she has been charged to maintain. The Cooperative Board may then determine the just and proportionate share to be assessed; and

WHEREAS, on April 9, 2024, Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton Public Schools made an application requesting to become a member of Lake Agassiz Education Cooperative; and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2024, at the regular meeting of the Cooperative Board, the Board reviewed the application from Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton Public Schools to become a member district beginning July 1st, 2024;

WHEREAS, the Cooperative Board recommends that Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton Public Schools be approved as a member district contingent upon Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton Public Schools' subscription and agreement the terms of the Joint Powers Agreement and Joint Powers Agreement for Construction and Maintenance of Cooperative Facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Cooperative Board has determined that existing Member Districts have paid for three of the fifteen years for the Project Building pursuant to the Joint Powers Agreement for the Construction and Maintenance of Cooperative Facilities. The Cooperative Board and the Members Districts have agreed that upon joining the Cooperative, Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton will not be required to reimburse the Member Districts in lump-sum payments for the Member Districts' prior contributions to the Project Building pursuant to the Joint Powers Agreement for the Construction and Maintenance of Cooperative Facilities. Instead, in the event the Project Building is sold and Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton is a member of the Cooperative at the time of sale, Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton agrees to reimburse the Member Districts for Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton's pro-rata share of the Fixed Allocation and Proportioned Allocation (as set forth in the Joint Powers Agreement for the Construction and Maintenance of Cooperative Facilities) for the time period Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton was not a member of the Cooperative out of the purchase price of the sale of the Project Building.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The Cooperative Board recommends that Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton be approved as a Member District; and
2. Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton subscribes and agrees to be subject to and follow the terms of the Joint Powers Agreement dated September 18, 2018, and the Joint Powers Agreement for the Construction and Maintenance of Cooperative Facilities Agreement upon signing this Resolution;
3. Upon joining the Cooperative, Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton will not be required to reimburse the Member Districts in lump-sum payments for the Member Districts' prior contributions to the Project Building pursuant to the Joint Powers Agreement for the Construction and Maintenance of Cooperative Facilities. Instead, in the event the Project Building is sold and Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton is a member of the Cooperative at the time of sale, Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton agrees to reimburse the Member District for Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton's pro-rata share of the Fixed Allocation and Proportioned Allocation (as set forth in the Joint Powers Agreement for the Construction and Maintenance of Cooperative Facilities) for the time period Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton was not a member of the Cooperative out of the purchase price of the sale of the Project Building.
4. Upon Member District's unanimous consent and signatures below, Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton shall become a Member District of the Cooperative and this resolution shall be attached to and incorporated into the respective Joint Powers Agreements.
5. This Resolution may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and all of which when taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement. This Resolution may be executed by electronic signature.

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 150 HAWLEY

Member Lee introduced the foregoing resolutions and moved for their adoption. The motion was duly seconded by member Brager and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Brager, Lee, Marshall, Olson, Sellin, Sigel, Tibbetts; and the following voted against the same: None; whereupon said Resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Brager/Olson to approve the Achievement and Integration Budget as presented.
Motion carried: 7-0 A

Olson/Siegel to approve the motion to add Tami Cusey, HR & Payroll Specialist, to all accounts associated with Valley Premiere, Bell Bank, PMA & MSDLAF.
Motion carried: 7-0

Brager/Siegel to approve ESPs Intent to negotiate.
Motion carried: 7-0

Lee/Olson to adjourn at 7:52 p.m.
Motion carried: 7-0