

**ST. LOUIS PARK
PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MAY 14, 2018**

The regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 283 of St. Louis Park, Hennepin County, Minnesota, convened at 7:27 p.m., Monday, May 14, 2018, in St. Louis Park Senior High Room 350C. Present were Board Members Nancy Gores, Joe Tatalovich, Ken Morrison (7:28), Mary Tomback (7:36), Jim Beneke, Karen Waters and Anne Casey (7:36), Superintendent Astein Osei, Director of Special Services Tami Reynolds, Sara Thompson, Director of Community Education Lisa Greene, Director of Human Resources Richard Kreyer and Cynthia Bennett Executive Assistant to the Superintendent.

SPOTLIGHT

The School Board recognized and congratulated over 250 Orchestra, Band and Choir State 2018 Competitors.

The School Board also recognized Olivia Massie, Krishana Spencer, Ubah Abdullahi, Amaya Fokuo, Doreen Moranga and Anna Dusaire for their participation in the 2018 WMEP Civil Rights Research Experience.

The School recognized Jack Ostrovsky, Beck Rusley and Alexis Lee students for achieving a perfect score on the 2018 ACT Examination.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Beneke, seconded by Gores to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed 4-0.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent Osei thanked the staff of St. Louis Park Public Schools for their hard work and dedication to St. Louis Park students in observance of Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week. He also announced that the school district has selected a new Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Mr. Patrick Duffy who will begin his work at St. Louis Park Public Schools on July 1, 2018. Mr. Osei also recognized the upcoming retirement of Mr. Frank Johnson, who has been with the St. Louis Park School District for 24 years. The school board offered their congratulations to Mr. Johnson on his upcoming retirement, June 30, 2018.

STUDY SESSION TOPICS

WMEP Civil Rights Research Experience

International Field Trip - Middle School

Policy Development First Readings Policies 528 Students, Parental, Family & Marital Status Nondiscrimination; 529 Staff Notification of Violent Behavior by Students; 532 Use of Peace Officers & Crisis Teams to Remove Students w/ IEP From School Grounds; and 616 School District System Accountability

Policy Development Second Readings 302 Superintendent; 302.1 Superintendent/Board Working Relationship; and 536 Gender Inclusion

City Commission Appointments Update

ACTION AGENDA

Contract Approval – Director of Curriculum & Instruction July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2020

A motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Tomback to approve the employment contract between Independent School District #283 and Dr. Patrick Duffy as the Director of Curriculum & Instruction for the St. Louis Park Public Schools, as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

Contract Approval – Principal of Peter Hobart Elementary School

A motion was made by Casey, seconded by Gores to approve the employment contract between Independent School District #283 and Kari Schwietering, as the Principal of Peter Hobart Elementary School, to begin July 1, 2018, as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

Policy Development Second Readings 302 Superintendent; 302.1 Superintendent/Board Working Relationship

A motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Gores to approve the second readings of policies 302 Superintendent and 302.1 Superintendent/Board Working Relationship, as presented. Motion passed 7-0. Policy 536 that was brought as a second reading tonight will be presented to the school board as a third reading at the May 29, 2018 school board business meeting.

Approval of International Travel – Middle School 2020

A motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Beneke to approve the international travel for middle school students to Costa Rica in 2020, as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

COMMUNICATIONS AND TRANSMITTALS

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Gores, seconded by Casey to adjourn. Motion passed 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Joe Tatalovich, Clerk

Karen Waters, Chair

Minutes prepared by Cynthia Bennett

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