

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 270
OFFICIAL SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES — SUMMARY
REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD
JANUARY 8, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District 270 was conducted on Tuesday, January 8, 2019, in the Boardroom of the Eisenhower Community Center. The meeting was called to order at 6:59 p.m.

School Board members present: Chair Wendy Donovan, Vice Chair Kris Newcomer, Treasurer Steve Adams, Directors Fartun Ahmed, Jen Bouchard, Dave Larson, and Chris LaTondresse

School Board members absent: None

Student Board reps present: Alvia Brown (grade 10) and Joe Ramlet (grade 11)

Student Board reps absent: Aisha Dem (grade 12)

Staff members present: Superintendent Rhoda Mhiripiri-Reed, and Director of Business Services/Board Clerk John Toop. Staff members absent: None

There were no requests to address the Board during the Open Agenda portion of the meeting.

Student Board Reps: Brown and Ramlet updated Board members on events/activities at HHS.

Superintendent: Superintendent Mhiripiri-Reed noted a two-week break from school "is not good for all students" due to those feeling lost/disconnected and expressed gratitude for teachers who care for students throughout the District.

Newcomer moved, LaTondresse seconded, to approve the agenda as presented. Carried.

Adams moved, LaTondresse seconded, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented: a) Approval of Minutes—Regular Meeting & Executive Session, Conducted on December 18, 2018; b) Human Resources—Personnel Updates; c) Policies in Second Reading [510, 521, 530, 531, 603]; d) Acceptance of Gifts—July–December, 2018; e) Bids—Kitchen Remodel/Cafeteria Expansion at Hopkins High School; f) Revision to 2019-20 School Year Calendar; and g) Resolution of Intent to Issue Long-Term Facility Maintenance Bonds for a February 19, 2019 Sale. Carried.

Treasurer Adams moved, LaTondresse seconded, to approve disbursements in the amount of \$8,047,898.35 for the period of December 8, 2018 through December 27, 2018. Carried.

Officers to be named include the Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, and Clerk. Newcomer nominated Wendy Donovan for Chair; Larson seconded. LaTondresse nominated Jen Bouchard for Chair; Ahmed seconded.

Those voting in favor of Donovan: Adams, Donovan, Larson, and Newcomer. Those voting for Bouchard: Ahmed, Bouchard, and LaTondresse. Wendy Donovan named Chair.

Donovan nominated Kris Newcomer for Vice Chair; Adams seconded. Those voting in favor of Newcomer: Adams, Ahmed, Bouchard, Donovan, Larson, LaTondresse, and Newcomer. Kris Newcomer named Vice Chair.

Larson nominated Steve Adams for Treasurer; Bouchard seconded. Those voting in favor of Adams: Adams, Ahmed, Bouchard, Donovan, Larson, LaTondresse, and Newcomer. Steve Adams named Treasurer.

Newcomer nominated John Toop for Board Clerk; Adams seconded. Those voting in favor of Toop: Adams, Ahmed, Bouchard, Donovan, Larson, LaTondresse, and Newcomer. John Toop named Clerk.

Newcomer moved, Adams seconded to accept the proposed Board committee assignments for 2019 as presented, with the exception of the Teaching and Learning Committee which is to be removed:

—Association of Metropolitan School Districts (AMSD): Steve Adams, Chris LaTondresse—alternate

—Educational Cooperative Service Unit Metropolitan Twin Cities Area (Metro ECSU): Jen Bouchard

—Intermediate District 287, 2019 & 2020: Steve Adams, Kris Newcomer—alternate

—Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL): Dave Larson

—Cities/Board Steering Committee: Steve Adams, Fartun Ahmed

—School and Community in Partnership (SCIP): Steve Adams, Fartun Ahmed

—Citizen's Financial Advisory Committee (CFAC): Steve Adams, Chris LaTondresse

—Educational Services Advisory Committee (ESAC): Jen Bouchard, Kris Newcomer—alternate

—Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC): Dave Larson, Jen Bouchard—alternate

—Monitoring Committee: Jen Bouchard, Chris LaTondresse, Kris Newcomer

—Board Audit Committee: Steve Adams, Chris LaTondresse, Kris Newcomer

—Legislative Action Coalition (LAC): Steve Adams, Fartun Ahmed, Chris LaTondresse

—Visioning and Strategic Planning: Jen Bouchard, Chris LaTondresse, Kris Newcomer

—Teaching & Learning — Remove from Board Committees

—Student Board Representatives: Jen Bouchard, Fartun Ahmed—alternate

—Human Resources Board Committee: Wendy Donovan, Dave Larson, Kris Newcomer

Carried.

The Citizens Financial Advisory Committee (CFAC), in conjunction with District administration, provides annual budget parameters for Board consideration. These parameters are in the form of recommendations to develop the 2019-20 budget, and to develop projections for the future and preliminary planning purposes. Toop was joined by CFAC members Rick Ellingson and Luke Jacobson to present the report, review the recommendations, and respond to Board member questions.

CFAC's budget recommendations — by consensus — include:

- State per student funding in the projection years of FY20 and FY21 to increase at 2% each year;

- Projected decrease in enrollment of 61 students or -.90% over a 5-year period from end of FY18 through end of FY23;

- 3% annual increase in FY20 and 3% increase in FY21 in total salaries and wages adjusted for teacher replacement savings;

- Fringe benefits to increase at 3% for FY20 and 3% for FY21;

- All other costs to increase at 2% on an annual basis except utilities to increase at 4%;

- General Fund Unassigned fund balance to remain at or near 10%.

Newcomer moved, Larson seconded, to approve the Citizens Financial Advisory Committee Report. Carried.

- Chair Donovan provided a brief summary surrounding the mid-year performance review of Superintendent Rhoda Mhiripiri-Reed conducted in Executive Session on December 18, 2018.

- Board members reported on recent educational activities/events in which they have participated.

Adams moved, Newcomer seconded, to accept the Incidental Reports: A) Financial Comparisons Among Neighboring Districts; and B) Title I and Homeless Student Update. Carried.

Newcomer moved, Larson seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m. Carried.

John Toop
Clerk

As per M.S. 123B.09 Subd. 10, section 331A.01, subdivision 10, this is only a summary. For a complete copy of the meeting minutes, visit <https://www.hopkinsschools.org/about-us/school-board/board-meeting-minutes/school-board-meeting-minutes-2018-19> or request a copy by emailing bobbie.mclaird@hopkinsschools.org

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