

Minutes
Sleepy Eye ISD #84
Board of Education
October 11, 2023, 5:30PM
Conference Room

Call to order: Attendance: Sandy Gonzalez, Joleen Dittbenner, Brian Nelson, Darla Remus, Casey Coulson (arrived at 5:32), Adam Barka, Sheila Wurtzberger

Good News Items: United Football team is still 5-1 after suffering their first loss on Friday, the games are very well attended. Homecoming went well with a lot of activities that the students enjoyed. The Lion King will be performed this weekend. It should be a great show. Fundraiser raised \$42000 Tuesday the 17th John will be getting pies to the face. 2 girls from the Tennis club were close to state, both were seniors.

Recognition of visitors: staff and press

Approve Agenda	M Joleen Dittbenner 2nd Sandy Gonzalez M/C
Approve minutes of September 13, 2023	M Sandy Gonzalez 2nd Joleen Dittbenner M/C
Approve financial transactions and reports	M Brian Nelson 2nd Joleen Dittbenner M/C

Reports

Board: Negotiations met and there are agreements in place. Community Ed met and there are 47 kids in preK, their largest number. There are a lot of fall offerings.

Principal: Also completing the first round of observations with non-tenured teachers. NWEA testing is finishing up. We will be sending home reports with a cover letter to households. RISE intervention is up and going for 7th and 8th graders. 7th grade adjusting to HS is a work in progress. Student council representatives go down to talk to current 6th graders to encourage them to work hard to prepare for next year (this was discussed at a transition meeting a year ago). Contacted and met with many parents of students who were not passing 2 or more classes at our first grade check. Plan to start an afterschool program after Ed Minn break. Met with content and grade level teachers to brainstorm various incentive ideas for grades that take MCA assessments. Incentives will be banded starting with meeting the state average.

Superintendent: Solar for School Update: The panels are installed in the process of connecting the system. Potentially going live after the MEA break. This is a 20 year project and we will be green. Superintendent's Cabinet meeting summary (in the board doc). Elementary Parent teacher conferences: Monday and Tuesday October 16 th and 17 th 2023. October 18 th Staff Development Day they will be learning about the curriculum.

Action items:

Approve open enrollment request 6 in:2 from Cedar Mountain, 2 from GFW, and 2 from Springfield

Approve paraprofessional staff hours for the 2023-24 school year

Approve Elementary after school program staff hours for the 2023-24 school year

Approve MNSHSL cooperative sponsorship application for One Act Play between Sleepy Eye Public and St. Mary's Catholic School of SE for the 2023-24 school year

Approve hire of Mackenzie Helget as ECFE para for the 2023-24 school year at \$14.02

Approve hire of Jenna Friton as ECFE para for the 2023-24 school year at \$14.02.

Approve hire of Justina Andree as HS media center paraprofessional for the 2023-24 school year at \$14.02.

Approve MSEA contract for July 1, 2023-June 30, 2025.

Approve resignation of Lisa Riederer as SPED paraprofessional as of October 13, 2023. Thank you Lisa!

Approve resignation of Kari Schieffert as HS media center paraprofessional as of Oct. 2, 2023. Thank you Kari for your many years of service.

Approve hiring Kevin Schneider as 3rd JH Knowledge Bowl coach (participation based) @\$612

Approve Truth and Taxation hearing date December 13, 2023, 6:00PM

Approve work agreement with Ann Christensen for the 2023-24 school year

Approve South Central Service Cooperative membership agreement for the 2023-24 school year

Approve the following donations: CAF \$250 to the elementary fundraiser account, and \$250 to the HS student incentive account; St. Mary's Knights of Columbus \$700 to the SEU cheerleading; KNUJ Broadcasting \$700 to the weight room account; Anonymous \$25 to the weight room account.

Anonymous \$5000 for the SE United Football Program. Thank you for your generous donations, we are truly grateful for them.

M Joleen Dittbenner 2nd Casey Coulson M/C

Adam Barka abstained from items B & H

Approve resolution of Governing Board Supporting form A application to the Minnesota State High School League Foundation

M Joleen Dittbenner 2nd Adam Barka M/C

Approve resolution designation annual polling place

M Brian Nelson 2nd Adam Barka M/C

Next meeting is Wednesday November 8, 5:30PM

Adjourn. Time: 5:52 p.m.

M Joleen Dittbenner 2nd Adam Barka M/C

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Wurtzberger/Clerk