

Minutes
Sleepy Eye ISD #84
Board of Education
January 8, 2025, 5:30PM
Conference Room

Call to order: Attendance: Dan Marti, Joleen Dittbenner, Brian Nelson, Darla Remus, Casey Coulson, Adam Barka, Sheila Wurtzberger

Good News Items: The Sleepy Eye FFA has been doing lots of service for the community in December and January. They provided gloves and hats, and made tie blankets for all of the students in the Backpack Food Program as well as provided the personal care items for the Holiday Boxes. FFA made holiday cards and gave ornaments to all of the "seniors" at Countryside and the Sleepy Eye Rehabilitation Center. FFA is also continuing to provide Birthday Boxes for all of the students in the program and just made the ones for 32 students who have a birthday this semester. Winter sports have started. Welcome Dan Marti to the Board.

Recognition of visitors: Staff and Press

Approve Agenda M Joleen Dittbenner 2nd Brian Nelson M/C

Election of Officers:

Chairperson: Darla Remus M Joleen Dittbenner 2nd Dan Marti M/C
Vice Chair: Casey Coulson M Joleen Dittbenner 2nd Dan Marti M/C
Clerk: Sheila Wurtzberger M Joleen Dittbenner 2nd Adam Barka M/C
Treasurer: Joleen Dittbenner M Casey Coulson 2nd Brian Nelson M/C

Approve Committee Assignments

Riverbend 1. Darla Remus
CED 1. Joleen Dittbenner
Br. Co. Advisory Board 1. Sheila Wurtzberger
Career & Technical Education:
Graphic Arts/Agriculture 1. Brian Nelson 1.
Meet and Confer 1. Sheila Wurtzberger 2. Brian Nelson 3. Casey Coulson
Negotiations/Personal 1. Darla Remus 2. Brian Nelson 3. Joleen Dittbenner
Transportation 1. Adam Barka 2. Sheila Wurtzberger 3. Dan Marti
MNSHSL 1. Darla
Policy 1. Brian Nelson 2. Sheila Wurtzberger 3. Dan Marti
SE Schools 1. Adam Barka 2. Sheila Wurtzberger 3. Casey Coulson
Legislative Liason. 1. Darla Remus
Staff Development 1. Joleen Dittbenner
Food Service 1. Darla Remus 2. Sheila Wurtzberger 3. Dan Marti
CAT 1. Adam Barka 2. Joleen Dittbenner 3. Sheila Wurtzberger
Facilities 1. Brian Nelson 2. Casey Coulson 3. Adam Barka
Shared Superintendent 1. Darla Remus 2. Brian Nelson 3. Dan Marti
Mascot/Branding 1. Brian Nelson 2. Casey Coulson 3. Sheila Wurtzberger

M Casey Coulson 2nd Adam Barka M/C

Approve minutes of December 11, 2024
Approve financial transactions and reports

M Joleen Dittbenner 2nd Casey Coulson M/C
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Reports

Board: No reports

Principal: Completed student survey for teachers. Staff Survey for feedback on future plans for the school. Concert on the 16th went very well and was well attended. Did some AI training and they are developing a class that would teach it to students.

Superintendent: Interviews set up for our open payroll position. We have 4 candidates. Voluntary pre-school changes for 2025-26 school year: Due to MN Law changes in program eligibility requirements only certain groups will qualify for a free enrollment. Pat Stevermer and I are working on a parent notification letter about the changes and also looking at a sliding fee scale that we have to charge our families that do not qualify for the free enrollment. Pat will be discussing it at the next advisory board meeting. John is disappointed with the new mandates; he says they are separating rural and metro schools. Dashir Report; they are fully staffed, Jared and Craig both passed Boiler Exams in Dec. Progress on projects: Stage Lift has been repaired and is working properly. Elem Lockers had adjustments made over break. Filters were changed out and reordered. Electrical updates were made to be OSHA approved.

Action items

Approve 3 year contract with ABDO 2025-27

Approve lane change request from Troy Vangsness MA to MA 15

Approve open enrollment request: 3 in: Mt. Lake 1; New Ulm 1; GFW 1

Approve the following donations: \$200 by Dan & Kristina Marti to the Music Boosters; \$200 by Dan & Kristina Marti to the Theater Boosters. Thank you for your generous donations, they are greatly appreciated.

M Casey Coulson 2nd Adam Barka M/C

Next meeting is Wednesday, February 12th, 5:30PM. March meeting has been moved to the 19th.

Adjourn. Time: 6:10 pm M Brian Nelson 2nd Casey Coulson M/C

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheila Wurtzberger/Clerk