

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #139  
May 29, 2013**

The Special School Board Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Folkema at 6:30 p.m. in the Room 201 at the Rush City High School.

**Roll Call**

Board Members present: Scott Tryon, Carol Cook, Stefanie Folkema, Brian Anderson, Brenda Nessel, and Justin Wood. Board Member(s) absent: None. Others in attendance: Vern Koepp, Superintendent; Brent Stavig, High School Principal; Melody Tenhoff, Elementary Principal; Maureen Sybrant, Kelly Gunderson; and other interested persons.

**Approval of Special School Board Meeting Agenda**

Motion #08213 by Nessel seconded by Anderson approving the Special School Board meeting agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Business Matters**

**Personnel Issues**

Motion #08313 by Tryon seconded by Cook accepting the resignation of Angie Bohnert, Special Education Teacher. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion #08413 by Cook seconded by Nessel authorizing 1 FTE additional Early Childhood Special Education Teacher, and authorizing administration to hire up to .66 FTE for a Physical Education Teacher. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion #08513 by Anderson seconded by Nessel approving the employment of Elizabeth Carpenter, Reading Intervention Teacher beginning 2013-14 school year; Brekka Gay, Elementary Teacher beginning 2013-14 school year, and Cynthia Martin, Long-term sub for Linda Lindeman – March 28, 2013 – June 3, 2013. Motion carried unanimously.

**Tiger Trail Bids**

Superintendent Koepp informed board members that two bids were received for the Tiger Trail paving project but that one bid was withdrawn by the contractor. Board members reviewed the only remaining bid from Knife River Corporation which included a Base Bid of \$136,411.63, \$73,066.77 for Alternate 1, and \$7,079.12 for Alternate 2. Board members discussed several options available to the District. Whereupon Motion #08613 by Nessel seconded by Wood to reject the Knife River Bid, re-bid this project, and also get quotes to just repair bad spots this summer. Motion carried unanimously.

**Kindergarten 2013-14**

Board members reviewed preliminary revenue and expenditure numbers for 2013-14 and estimated costs for implementing all day every day kindergarten. Principal Tenhoff discussed kindergarten enrollment for 2013-14 and the availability of space for all day kindergarten. Board members also discussed the impact of all day kindergarten on preschool enrollment, if the noon bus routes are discontinued. Whereupon Motion #08713 by Nessel seconded by Wood to provide all day every day kindergarten beginning with the 2013-14 school year and to hire the teachers and paraprofessionals needed for this program change. Motion carried unanimously.

Note: Current kindergarten enrollment for 2013-14 supports 3 sections. A fourth section will be added if needed.

Board members asked Superintendent Koepp to study the impact of all day kindergarten on preschool participation and to bring information to the June 20th board meeting.

**Adjournment**

Motion #08813 by Cook seconded by Anderson adjourning the Special School Board meeting at 7:34 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Anderson  
Board Clerk

*Our mission is to provide each learner with appropriate educational opportunities to reach his or her potential.*