

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #139
September 10, 2014**

The Special School Board Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Folkema at 6:35 p.m. in the Rush City High School Room 201.

Roll Call

Board Members present: Scott Tryon, Stefanie Folkema, Brenda Nessel, Scott Anderson, Matt Perreault, Teri Umbreit. Board Member(s) absent: None. Others in attendance: Vern Koepp, Superintendent; Brent Stavig, High School Principal; and Melody Tenhoff, Elementary Principal.

Approval of Special School Board Meeting Agenda

Motion #08914 by Anderson seconded by Perreault approving the Special School Board meeting agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Business Matters

Kindergarten Enrollment/Sections

Elementary Principal Tenhoff and Superintendent Koepp provided information about kindergarten enrollment. Currently there are 3 sections with 23 to 24 students in each section. Adding an additional section would yield class sizes of 17 to 18 students per section. Board members discussed the benefits of smaller class sizes and the financial impact of creating an additional section. Whereupon Motion #09014 by Nessel seconded by Tryon to add an additional section of kindergarten and authorize the hiring of a teacher and paraprofessional. Voting for: Umbreit, Nessel, Folkema, Tryon Voting against: Perreault, Anderson. Motion carried.

Personnel

Principal Tenhoff explained the need for a Paraprofessional/Interpreter for a new student. Whereupon Motion #09114 by Nessel seconded by Perreault authorizing the hiring of a Paraprofessional/Interpreter. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Motion #09214 by Nessel seconded by Perreault adjourning the Special School Board meeting at 7:20 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Nessel
Board Clerk

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