

**Minutes of the Board of Education
Independent School District #2180
Regular Meeting #5
Nov. 13, 2017, 6:00 PM, Board Room**

Members Present: Lane Schwitters, Deb Brandt, Scott Ruitter, Tate Mueller, Carmel Thein, Julie Alsum
Others Present: John Thein, Superintendent; Melissa Sparks, HS Principal, Judd Wheatley, Elementary
Prinicpal, Kim Sandry, Business Manager, Josie Oliver, Herald.

Chairman Lane Schwitters called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
Pledge of Allegiance

Motion by Brandt, second by Mueller to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed by
unanimous vote.

Election of Officers:

Board Chair:

Nominations: Lane Schwitters by Ruitter, Deb Brandt by Mueller.

1st vote: Tied 3-3, Schwitters, Ruitter, Thein for Schwitters, Brandt, Alsum, Mueller for Brandt.

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2nd vote: Tied 3-3, Schwitters, Ruitter, Thein for Schwitters, Brandt, Alsum, Mueller for Brandt.

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3rd vote: Tied 3-3, Schwitters, Ruitter, Thein for Schwitters, Brandt, Alsum, Mueller for Brandt.

Schwitters declared acting Board Chair until a deciding vote can be made according to MSBA.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

Motion by Thein, second by Alsum, to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Communications Reports:

Mr. Ryan Schmidt – Schlenner, Wenner and Company Audit Report.

Mr. Sietsema: Towers at East and HS report – may need repairs.

Mrs. Smith reported on Community Ed: Written report.

Mr. Trulock reported on Activities: Winter coaches, Awards, tennis courts.

Mr. Wheatley reported on Elementary happenings: Staff Development, First Grade update, Curriculum.

Mrs. Sparks reported on HS happenings: Update on new staff, Musical, Spanish Trip, WOW Awards.

Dr. John Thein: District Vision, Roles of Staff.

Discussion Items:

School Board Working Session.

Long Range permanent Superintendent discussion. Motion by Brandt, second by Ruitter, to add hiring a
search firm for the open Superintendent position to the agenda as item 8.7. Motion carried by
unanimous vote.

November 7 Operating Levy Results

Business Items:

Motion by Brandt, second by Mueller, to approve the resolution canvassing the results of the November
7, 2017 Operating Referendum Election. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion by Thein, second by Alsum, to approve and accept the November 7, 2017, Operating Referendum election Results. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion by Ruitter, second by Brandt, to approve and accept the 2016-2017 Audited Financial Statements. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion by Ruitter, second by Thein to approve the 2017-2018 Seniority List. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion by Alsum, second by Mueller, to approve the School Board Working Session in December at a time to be determined. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion by Mueller, second by Thein to approve the 2017-2019 Master Agreement with MACCRAY Education Minnesota. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion by Alsum, second by Thein, to hire BKB Associates to conduct a Superintendent Search. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Public comment: None.

Meetings and Workshops:

Truth in Taxation Meeting, 6:00 pm December 11, 2017, Board Room.

Regular school Board Meeting immediately following the TNT meeting, December 11, 2017, Board room.

Working session, TBD in December.

Adjournment of Meeting

Motion by Ruitter, second by Mueller, for adjournment. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Julie Alsum, Clerk

Kim Sandry