
MISSION STATEMENT
St. Cloud Area School District 742

Our Mission is to create a safe and caring climate and culture in which we prepare, engage, educate, empower, and inspire all learners in partnership with their surrounding community to be successful in today's and tomorrow's society.

Board of Education
St. Cloud Area School District 742
St. Cloud, Minnesota

January 22, 2015
7:00 PM
City Hall

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

I. CONSENT AGENDA (ACTION - Roll Call) *The consent agenda consists of non-controversial items that the Board adopts routinely without debate. Any single member may remove an item from the consent agenda by requesting removal at the time the consent agenda is moved for adoption. The full text of items approved by consent may be found at the conclusion of the agenda.*

(7:05-7:10)

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Approval of Minutes (Meetings of December 18, 2014; January 5, 2015; and January 14, 2015)
- C. Approval of Payment of Bills and Other Financial Transactions in the grand total amount of \$5,481,973.88
- D. Approval of Monthly Treasurer's Report for December, 2014
- E. Acceptance of Monthly Financial Report for December, 2014
- F. Approval of Personnel Staff Changes
- G. Acceptance of Grant Awards/Donations
- H. Authorization of Natalie Prasch as Local Education Agency (LEA) Representative for Title III

- I. Approval for Submission of Grant Application
- J. Quarterly Expenditures for Board Members

II. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. District 742 Local Education & Activities Foundation Presentation
(7:10-7:25)

Barclay Carrier, President of the District 742 Local Education & Activities Foundation (LEAF) Board of Directors, will present an update of the Foundation's activities and a preview of the 2015 Nights of the Stars event, scheduled for February 20 and 21, 2015.

- B. Strategic Plan Update
(7:25-7:50)

Joni Olson, Executive Director of Student Achievement/Strategic Alignment, along with Tami DeLand, Tracy Flynn Bowe, and Lori Posch, will present an update in each of the priority results areas identified for this school year.

- C. Summary of January Work Session & Preview of February Work Session
(7:50-8:00)

The topics of the Board Work Session held on January 14, 2015, were MMR/AYP Update, Talent Development and Accelerated Services Task Force Recommendations, and Levy Discussion. Dr. Marsha Baisch, Assistant Superintendent, will provide a summary.

Dr. Baisch will preview the topics scheduled for the February Board Work Session, which will be 1:1 Initiative & Technology Planning, Literacy Plan Update, and Levy Discussion.

III. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS

- A. Sale of Bonds to Finance Projects Included in the Ten Year Facility Plan (ACTION)
(8:00-8:10)

Kevin Januszewski, Executive Director of Business Services, will present information. A copy of the resolution is attached. These bonds are for the conversion of the steam boilers over to hot water heat boilers for maintenance and energy upgrades to buildings.

The Administration recommends approval of a resolution relating to the issuance of General Obligation Alternative Facilities Bonds, Series 2015A; authorizing the issuance, determining the form and details, ratifying the award of the sale, and authorizing the execution, delivery, and registration.

IV. **REPORTS**

A. Superintendent's Report (8:10-8:20)

Superintendent Willie Jett may present information on current activities in District 742.

B. Board of Education Standing Committee Reports (8:20-8:35)

Standing Committee Reports will be presented as follows:

Board Development Committee (Jerry Von Korff, Chair)
Community Linkages Committee (Bruce Mohs)
Finance and Audit Committee (Cindy Harner, Chair)
Integration and Equity Committee (Dennis Whipple, Chair)
Legislative Committee (Jerry Von Korff, Chair)
Personnel & Negotiations Committee (Al Dahlgren, Chair)

V. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** (8:35-8:40)

Board of Education members may suggest items/topics for future Board Meeting agendas. Items brought forth should have been previously discussed with the Board Chair or Vice Chair, Board Standing Committee, or at a prior Board Work Session/Meeting.

Future Work Session Topics:

February

1:1 Initiative and Technology Planning
Literacy Plan Adoption
Levy Discussion

VI. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS (Detail Information)**

A. Approval of Agenda.

B. Approval of Minutes of the Board of Education Meetings of December 18, 2014; January 5, 2015, and January 14, 2015.

C. Approval of Payment of Bills

The Administration recommends approval of the payment of bills and other financial transactions in the amount of \$5,169,103.28 (Check Numbers 216392-216882 and

ACH Numbers 141501179-141501441) and PCard Totals in the amount of \$312,870.60 for a grand total amount of \$5,481,973.88.

D. Approval of Monthly Treasurer's Report for December, 2014

The Administration recommends approval of the Monthly Treasurer's Report for December, 2014.

E. Monthly Financial Report

The Administration recommends acceptance of the Monthly Financial Report for December, 2014.

F. Personnel Staff Changes

The Administration recommends approval of the following personnel changes pursuant to relevant laws and appropriate provisions of negotiated agreements between the Board of Education and exclusive representatives. For new hires, the indicated rates are consistent with current negotiated agreements and Board approved rates of pay. All rates/salaries listed do not include fringe benefits.

1. Licensed Staff

Additional Assignment

Vanessa VanLaanen, German Teacher, Apollo and Technical High Schools, effective January 5, 2015, Lane BA, Pay Level 3 (20% of a full time contract for 104 days). Ms. VanLaanen's salary for this assignment will be \$4,041.86. Ms. VanLaanen is currently a full time contract teacher.

Child Care Leave

Jennifer Downing, Special Education Teacher, Oak Hill Community School, effective on or about February 20, 2015 through on or about April 24, 2015.

Krista Ventura, Spanish Immersion Teacher, Clearview Elementary School, effective on or about March 9, 2015 through on or about May 1, 2015.

New Hire

Frank Ayers, Math Teacher, Area Learning Center, effective December 22, 2014, Lane MA, Pay Level 9 (full time contract for 106 days). Mr. Ayer's salary for this assignment will be \$29,787.69.

Vanessa VanLaanen, German Teacher, Apollo and Technical High Schools, effective January 5, 2015, Lane BA, Pay Level 3 (full time contract for 104 days). Ms. VanLaanen's salary for this assignment will be \$20,209.74.

Resignation

Stephen Dolence, Read 180 Teacher, North Junior High School, effective January 30, 2015.

Retirement

Sandra Dube, Special Education Teacher, Apollo High School, last day of service March 13, 2015 after 30 years of service in District 742.

Temporary Guest Teacher

Hannah Hendrickson, Temporary Guest Teacher, North Junior High School, effective January 5, 2015 through June 4, 2015 at a daily rate of \$180.00.

Nicole Kulzer, Temporary Guest Teacher, Madison Elementary School, effective January 5, 2015 through June 4, 2015 at a daily rate of \$180.00.

Cathleen Luebke, Temporary Guest Teacher, North Junior High School, effective January 5, 2015 through June 4, 2015 at a daily rate of \$180.00.

Jorden Nelson, Temporary Guest Teacher, Apollo High School, effective December 22, 2014 through June 4, 2015 at a daily rate of \$180.00.

2. **Non-Licensed Staff**

New Hire

Bilan Ahmed, Adult Basic Education Accountability Assistant, Community Education Center, effective January 5, 2015 at an hourly rate of \$10.95.

Melanie Walstead, Special Education Paraprofessional, Westwood Elementary School, effective January 5, 2015 at an hourly rate of \$12.00. This is a replacement position.

Rehire

Kari Garceau, Health Paraprofessional (Long Call Substitute), Technical High School, effective January 5, 2015 through February 15, 2015.

Resignation

Celia Crandall, Clerical Classification I, Colts Academy, last day of service January 13, 2015.

Cathleen Luebke, Classroom Paraprofessional, North Junior High School, last day of service December 23, 2014.

Johnathon Protivinsky, Security Officer, Technical High School, last day of service January 30, 2015.

Termination

William Eshelmann, Technology Paraprofessional, North Junior High School, last day of service January 9, 2015.

G. Acceptance of Grant Awards/Donations (Requires 2/3 Majority of Governing Board, Minnesota Statute §465.03)

The Administration recommends acceptance of the following grant awards/donations:

1. Donations to North Junior High School Vex Robotics, as follows:
 - \$100.00 from the American Legion Post #328 for Robotics Competitions
 - \$500.00 from the Central Minnesota Manufacturers Association for Program Expenses
 - \$100.00 from Robert Murry
2. Grant award in the amount of \$1,000 to the Central MN Inside Out Connections Coalition from the Initiative Foundation of Central MN to increase coalition membership and involvement in key areas such as families, work force development, youth development and support, school districts, policy makers, business, probation and re-entry.
3. Grant in the amount of \$750.00 to Partners For Student Success from the Morgan Family Foundation (matching grant made upon the request of Asha and Marty Moran).
4. Art Club grant award in the amount of \$630.40 to Apollo High School from the Central Minnesota Arts Board.
5. Grant award in the amount of \$3,000.00 to Talahi Community School from the Central Minnesota Arts Board to conduct a one-week artist residency for fifth grade students who will make artistic masks out of clay (Malia Burkhart).
6. Donation of a \$50 gift card to North Junior High School from Walmart for a United Way incentive prize for staff.
7. Donation of a \$50.00 gift card to North Junior High School from Walgreens to purchase supplies for needy students.
8. Donation of knit hats, headbands, scarves and mittens from Atonement Lutheran Church to North Junior High School for students in need.
9. Donation in the amount of \$500.00 to Madison Elementary School from the

College of St. Benedict in appreciation for hosting student teachers at Madison.

10. Donation in the amount of \$10.00 to North Junior High School - Eagle Pride (PBIS) from Muhsin Abdulkader.

11. Donation of gift cards totaling \$200.00 to Clearview Elementary School from Lila Imholte to help families in need.

12. Donations to the Tech High School Choir as follows:

\$150.00 from the St. Cloud Lions Club

\$150.00 from CentraCare St. Cloud Hospital

\$100.00 from Coborn's

\$100.00 from Forsberg Investments

13. Teacher Effectiveness Initiative: Supporting Diversity in Teaching Grant award in the amount of \$150,000 from the Bush Foundation to the SCSU TPI Program/District 742. The purpose of the grant will be to develop a Paraprofessional Residency Program that will provide an alternative pathway to teaching for aspiring teachers of color, and will lead to a license in Special Education, English Language Learning, or one of the STEM areas.

14. Donation in the amount of \$7,173.00 to Madison Elementary School from the Madison PTA for grade level use.

15. Donation of clothing and toys to the District 742 Homeless Program from Melissa Geisenhof to help the homeless families in the District.

16. Donation in the amount of \$373.67 to St. Cloud Area School District 742 from Debbie Erickson.

17. Donation in the amount of \$120.00 to Madison Elementary School from Jane Hennen for needy families.

18. Donation in the amount of \$50.00 from Michael Gritman to North Junior High School Eagles Act.

19. Donation in the amount of \$218.00 to Discovery Community School from Lifetouch National School Studios for fall pictures.

20. Grant in the amount of \$250.00 to Partners For Student Success from the Moran Family Fund, a component fund of the Central Minnesota Community Foundation.

21. Grant award from the St. Cloud State University Confucius Institute to Madison Elementary School in the amount of \$10,000, along with \$20,000 worth of equipment, as well as 50,000 RMB (Chinese currency) value of books during the first year and 25,000 RMB value of books from China each of the following years for a total period of five years. This grant allows our Chinese Immersion Program to become a "Confucius Classroom."

22. Donation in the amount of \$425.56 to Madison Elementary School from Walmart Stores, Inc. for Kindergarten.
23. Donation in the amount of \$100.00 to Madison Elementary School from Ignor Lenzner, Rinke Noonan, Ltd., for the Chinese Immersion Program.
24. Donation in the amount of \$50.00 from Elizabeth Steinmetz to North Junior High School - Eagles Act.
25. Donation of mittens/gloves/hats/scarfs to Madison Elementary School from Atonement Lutheran Church for students in need.
26. Donations to Madison Elementary School from DonorsChoose as follows:
Pencils/Dry Erase Markers
Chromebooks (3)
27. Donation in the amount of \$400.00 from Kermit Eastman to St. Cloud Area School District 742 for scholarships.
28. Donations from the Local Education & Activities Foundation (LEAF) as follows:
\$6,806.00 to District 742 Music Programs
\$6,439.00 to District 742 Science Programs

H. Authorization of Natalie Prasch as the Local Education Agency (LEA) Representative for Title III

The Administration recommends that the Board of Education authorize Natalie Prasch to act as the Local Education Agency (LEA) representative for Title III for school year 2014-2015.

I. Approval for Submission of Grant Application

The Administration recommends approval for submission of a grant application entitled "NSTA-Shell Science Lab Challenge to the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) by Tech High School in the amount of \$20,000.00. The purpose of the grant will be to gain educational resources (robotic kits) for students to use in the electronic and robotics programs.

J. Quarterly Expenditures for Board Members

The total expenses incurred by Board Members from October 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014 was \$95.00. A copy of the detailed expenses is attached.

Willie Jett
Superintendent