

★ Public Notices

Notice of Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Rose City Co-op Creamery will be held on Saturday, December 10, 2011 at 1 p.m. at the Rose City Creamery.

Elections of directors, reading of the financial report and other business property brought before said meeting will be transacted. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m.

Rose City Co-Op Creamery Association
Steven Dobratz, Secretary

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Eastern Township Annual Meeting & Election of Officers

Notice is hereby given for the Annual Township Meeting and the election of officers at the Town Hall of Eastern Township. Qualified voters of Eastern Township, Otter Tail County and state of Minnesota are given the opportunity to vote from 5 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 13, 2012 for the following positions:

One Supervisor—3 year term

One Clerk—2 year term

The Annual Township Meeting will follow at 8:15 p.m. to conduct the business of the township for the fiscal 2012 calendar year as prescribed by law. In the case of inclement weather the election meeting will be postponed until Tuesday, March 20, 2012 with the times and meeting place remaining the same. The Board of Canvass will meet directly after the annual meeting to certify the official election results.

Jeffrey G. Vosburgh
Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ENERGY CONSERVATION MEASURES BY BERTHA-HEWITT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #786 (BERTHA-HEWITT PUBLIC SCHOOLS) STATE OF MINNESOTA

Bertha-Hewitt Public Schools is issuing a request for proposals to select a qualified provider to provide energy conservation measures pursuant to Minnesota Statute 123B.65. The district intends to negotiate a contract with the provider deemed best suited to meet the needs of the district.

Details of the request for proposal can be obtained from the Bertha-Hewitt Public Schools District Office. The District Office is located at 310 Central Avenue South, Bertha, Minnesota 56437.

The contact for this project is Mr. Brian Koslofsky, Superintendent. Responses to the request for proposal are due in the Bertha-Hewitt Public School District Office by 4 p.m. (Central Standard Time) on December 14, 2011.

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Proceedings of the Board of Education Independent School District #786

Bertha, Minnesota Regular Meeting #5 November 21, 2011

Members Present: Sharon Thiel, Keith Bauch, Carla Schwantz, Matt Blashack, Lee Truax, Jerry Haase, Mick Stokes.

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Brian Koslofsky, Superintendent/K-6 Principal; Mary Merchant, High School Principal; Peggy Leitch, Bertha-Hewitt Education Association; Jean Shaw, Local 70; Carolynne Bisel, Independent News Herald; Lisa Hoemberg, Jean Shaw, Janelle Bright, Cassie Gordon, Krista O'Dell, Randy Highland.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Sharon Thiel.

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion by Stokes, second by Haase and passed by unanimous vote to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion by Blashack, second by Bauch and passed by unanimous vote to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Casey Gordon shared a presentation on "Love is Louder".

Community Ed report was given by Jean Shaw, which included the Community Ed Brochure, School Age Child Care, Community Garden, and Drug Violence and Prevention.

Mrs. Merchant reported Kelly Brinkman spoke with teachers on bullying and will be a resource. Retesting for reading, math and written composition are completed. January is next date to schedule retests. Conferences were well attended. PLC topic for November was Formative Assessment. Student Council sponsored a food drive. FCCLA collected items for Heartland Girls Ranch. Veteran's Day Program and Meetings Attended.

Mr. Koslofsky had update on enrollment; elementary programs/presentations; extended congratulations to Bertha-Hewitt Teacher of the Year Mrs. Gail Kelm-Maynard; school food audit, November 29; facilities and liaison officer update; meetings attended/upcoming.

Bauch had a brief report from the Facility Committee.

Thiel gave an update from the Policy Committee.

Motion by Haase, second by Blashack and passed by unanimous vote to approve the Fiscal Year 2010 Audit as presented.

Motion by Bauch, second by Truax and passed by unanimous vote to approve the first reading of policy 503 as reviewed and recommended by the policy committee.

Motion by Truax, second by Bauch and passed by unanimous vote to approve the Resolution of Sponsorship of Community Concern for Youth in the amount of \$1,455 for the 2011-12 school year.

Motion by Blashack, second by Stokes and passed by unanimous vote to approve to establish the procedure and posting for filling the position of school board member.

Chairperson Thiel called for nominations for the position of Clerk. Haase nominated Blashack for the office of clerk. There were no other nominations for the office of Clerk. Chairperson Thiel declared Blashack elected.

Recognition of Meetings and Workshops: Truth and Taxation meeting followed by the Regular School Board Meeting, 7 p.m., December 19, FACS Classroom, January Board Working Session, TBD, MSBA Leadership Conference, January 12-13, Minneapolis, Organizational Meeting, January 17.

Motion by Blashack, second by Bauch and passed by unanimous vote to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

Matt Blashack, Clerk

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Minutes of the Governing Board of Education of Freshwater Education District November 22, 2011

CALL TO ORDER at 6:32 p.m. by Daryl Brevier, Chair.

Board Present: Daryl Brevier—Browerville; Twila Pierce—Eagle Valley; Rod Thalmann—Henning; Chuck Wolf—Long Prairie-Grey Eagle; Curtis Hasbargen—Menahga; Charles Funk—Sebeka; Chad Longbella—Staples-Motley; Scott Veronen—Verndale; Wayne Perkins—Wadena-Deer Creek; Lee Truax—Bertha-Hewitt

Staff and Members: Schaefer; Koslofsky; Fjeldheim; Nesland, Executive Director; Murdock, SPED Director; Winkels, Executive Secretary; Timm, Alternative Learning Specialist. Recorder: Ladwig

PRESENTATION: Freshwater Education District's Alternative Learning Center, Credit Recovery & Targeted Services program was given by Jana Timm.

ADOPTING THE AGENDA: MOTION BY Thalmann, SECONDED BY Veronen to approve the agenda as presented. Vote: U/C.

BOARD MINUTES: MOTION BY Pierce, SECONDED BY Funk to approve the 9/27/11 minutes as presented. Vote: U/C.

NEW BUSINESS: ECFE/SCHOOL READINESS/EC SCREENING/FOSS/COLLABORATIVE: MOTION BY Thalmann, SECONDED BY Hasbargen to accept the following donations for the Reading is Fundamental (RIF) Program: \$50—American Heritage Nat'l Bank of Long Prairie; \$500—VR Trucking, Inc., Browerville; \$100—First Int'l Bank & Trust, Staples;

\$200—Trident Seafoods, Motley; \$150—Long Prairie Packing Co., Long Prairie; \$200—Eagle Bend Lions, Eagle Bend; \$50—Mid-MN Federal Credit Union, Staples; \$25—Mid-Central Federal Savings Bank, Wadena; \$150—Staples Community Foundation, Staples; \$100—Unity Bank, Staples; \$250—Grey Eagle-Burtrum Lions Club, Grey Eagle. Vote: U/C.

SPECIAL EDUCATION: MOTION BY Pierce, SECONDED BY Longbella to accept donation in amount of \$250 to FED LRA/WPA Level IV Program from Deer Creek Lions Club. Vote: U/C.

MOTION BY Funk, SECONDED BY Perkins to accept donation in amount of \$216.66 to FED LRA/SPA Level IV Program from Bluffton Lions Club. Vote: U/C.

ALC/TARGETED SERVICES: MOTION BY Truax, SECONDED BY Wolf to accept Staples Community Fund Grant, a component fund of the Initiative Foundation, of \$1,500 for Renewable Energy (Wind/Solar Grant Request) by the Staples ALC. Vote: U/C.

TECHNOLOGY: MOTION BY Thalmann, SECONDED BY Hasbargen to approve RUS Service Level Agreement 4-Year Proposal between FED, Tri-County Hospital & Lakewood Health System. Vote: U/C.

MEMBER SERVICES: Mr. Nesland gave an update on the following: Long range facility planning and teacher contract negotiations for FY12.

MOTION BY Hasbargen, SECONDED BY Longbella to accept Purchase Agreement in amount of \$13,000 (plus recording, closing and attorney fees) for acquisition of 50 foot lot north of Special Education building in Wadena, MN. Seller to pay any and all current and back taxes. Vote: U/C.

REPORTS FROM CONSULTANT PROGRAMS

Carl Perkins/CTE: Handout/update on the Central Lakes Perkins Consortium

E-Rate: FED will likely submit their own E-rate next year.

BUSINESS/FINANCES: FINANCIAL REPORT/CURRENT BILLS: MOTION BY Pierce, SECONDED BY Thalmann to approve the October cash reports and payment of checks numbered 110625 thru 110945 and November cash reports and payment of checks numbered 110946 thru 111120. Vote: U/C.

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REDUCTIONS IN PROGRAMS AND POSITIONS AND REASONS THEREFORE: MOTION BY Funk to introduce a resolution directing the administration to make recommendations for reductions in programs and positions, SECONDED BY Truax and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Truax, Pierce, Thalmann, Hasbargen, Wolf, Funk, Longbella, Veronen, Perkins and none voted against. The motion carried.

PERSONNEL TOPICS: MOTION BY Veronen, SECONDED BY Wolf to approve the following: Mary Hawes, move from sub para to contracted para; 930.5 hrs. 2011-2012. Increase to 1017.25 hrs. in 2012-2013; Bev Johnson, increase hrs. by add'l 102 (due to transport for EV, billed to EV), total will be 872 hrs.; Hire Michele Spar, Families and Community Together with Schools (FACTS) Worker, Staples, Motley & Browerville; approximately 710 hrs.; Joni Jacobson, Occupational Therapist/Autism/Assistive Technology Consultant, resignation effective 12/31/11; Permission to advertise and hire for Occupational Therapist/Autism/Assistive Technology Consultant; approve 12 weeks for Family Medical Leave Act request of Aimee Hochstein-Keller for the approximate leave dates beginning on or around December 6, 2011; voluntary reduction for Brenda Pogreba, ECFE Teacher of 39 hrs. from 920 hrs. to 881 hrs. Vote: U/C.

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION BY Funk, SECONDED BY Hasbargen to adjourn meeting at 7:34 p.m. Vote: U/C.

Publication preapproved summary
Respectfully submitted
Rod Thalmann, Clerk

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