

# School Board Highlights

September 26, 2011

Middle School IMC

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<b>Call to Order</b>	The meeting was called to order by Chair Difronzo at 7 p.m.
<b>Board Members Present</b>	Mickey Difronzo, Paul Mandell, Keri Myran, Cindy Nordstrom, Phil Prokopowicz, Lynette Stensgard and Bridget Sutton
<b>Approval of Agenda</b>	Agenda approved.
<b>Superintendent's Report Presentations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inver Grove Heights Middle School Associate Principal Barbara Lake introduced AVID teacher Dan Lemke who, along with one of his students, presented about the benefits and successes of the AVID program.</li> <li>The Middle School's Student Discipline Facilitator gave the Board a PBIS update.</li> <li>Ms. Lake shared a video from Mr. Olson's challenged-based learning classroom.</li> </ul>
<b>Superintendent's Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr. Wells updated the Board on where the district is currently stands in regard to carrying out action on district priorities.</li> <li>Governor Dayton visited Hilltop Elementary students on the first day of school.</li> <li>More than 250 Simley students lettered in academics.</li> <li>Five alumni will be inducted into Simley's Hall of Fame before the Homecoming game.</li> <li>Homecoming is Friday at 7 p.m. vs. South St. Paul.</li> <li>Simley's Homecoming court will be introduced during halftime at Friday's game.</li> </ul>
<b>Business Manager's Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The district will be looking for approval of the levy for the 2012-2013 school year. There will be an increase of 1.3 percent from last year. The district will be seeking the maximum to avoid a necessary special meeting of the Board at a future date.</li> </ul>
<b>Committee Reports</b>	<p>Personnel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discussed staff development and performance regarding administrative goals.</li> <li>Reviewed updates regarding negotiations statewide and health insurance renewal</li> <li>Reviewed two position descriptions.</li> </ul> <p>Policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reviewed several policies.</li> </ul>
<b>Membership Reports</b>	<p>EMID</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Received an update on a possible closure of two EMID schools.</li> <li>EMID Board made a request to superintendents for suggestions on a future plan proposal by October 12, 2011, as to what should be done with the schools</li> </ul>
<b>Consent Agenda</b>	<p>Approved the Consent Agenda</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approved the minutes of the school board meeting held on August 29, 2011.</li> <li>Approved the weekly bills payable for August 3, 2011, August 10, 2011, August 17, 2011, August 24, 2011, and August 31, 2011.</li> <li>Approved the bills payable as of September 26, 2011.</li> <li>Personnel</li> </ol>

## Consent Agenda (Cont'd)

1. Certified Resignation/Retirement
2. Classified Resignation/Retirement
  - A. Accepted the resignation of Daniel Lemke, Simley High School Special Education Paraprofessional, effective September 2, 2011.
  - B. Accepted the resignation of Kayla Robinson, Community Education Lead Preschool Teacher, effective August 24, 2011.
  - C. Accepted the retirement of Diane Stadleman, Simley High School Special Education Paraprofessional, effective November 30, 2011.
  - D. Accepted the resignation of Corina Vasquez, Hilltop Elementary School Lunchroom Helper, effective September 14, 2011.
3. General/Medical Leave
  - A. Approved the family medical leave for Danielle Steinhoff, Inver Grove Heights Middle School Teacher, effective November 28, 2011 through January 26, 2012.
  - B. Approved the revised family medical leave for Rob Oase, District Wide Custodian, effective July 18, 2011 through August 25, 2011.
  - C. Approved the unpaid medical leave for Shauna Niemeyer, Hilltop Elementary Paraprofessional, effective September 26, 2011 through March 22, 2012.
  - D. Approved the unpaid medical leave for Kathy Bredy, Bus Driver, effective August 22, 2011 through January 2, 2012.
  - E. Approved the family medical leave for Micah Klotz, Pine Bend Elementary School Teacher, effective February 21, 2012 through June 8, 2012.
  - F. Approved the family medical leave for Michael LeMier, Inver Grove Heights Middle School Teacher, effective December 5, 2011 through January 2, 2012.
4. Certified Appointment
  - A. Approved the appointment of Amy Hoell, 1.0 FTE Hilltop Elementary School Kindergarten Teacher, effective August 29, 2011.
  - B. Approved the appointment of Matthew Madson, 1.0 FTE Inver Grove Heights Middle School Long-Term Substitute Social Studies Teacher, effective September 6, 2011 through October 21, 2011.
  - C. Approved the appointment of Jennie Olson, 1.0 FTE Salem Hills Elementary School Long-Term Substitute Kindergarten Teacher, effective October 10, 2011 through November 23, 2011.
  - D. Approved the appointment of Hannah Uebel, 1.0 FTE Hilltop Elementary School English Language Learner Teacher, effective August 29, 2011.
  - E. Approved the addition of 0.14 FTE for Andrea Koch, Pine Bend Elementary School Physical Education Teacher, effective August 29, 2011 (total of 1.0 FTE).
5. Classified Appointment
  - A. Approved the appointment of April Alle, Bus Driver, effective September 6, 2011.
  - B. Approved the appointment of Cory Braucks, Bus Driver, effective September 6, 2011.
  - C. Approved the appointment of Melissa Cherney, Administrative Assistant to Superintendent, effective August 29, 2011.
  - D. Approved the appointment of Amy Emerfoll, Inver Grove Heights Middle School IMC Paraprofessional, effective September 6, 2011.
  - E. Approved the appointment of Mary Huseman, Hilltop Elementary School Cook Helper, effective August 29, 2011.
  - F. Approved the appointment of Bob Kuhns, Inver Grove Heights Middle School Safety Patrol Paraprofessional, effective September 6, 2011.
  - G. Approved the appointment of Theresa Larsen, Hilltop Elementary School Lunchroom Monitor, effective September 6, 2011.
  - H. Approved the appointment of extra-curricular coaches for the 2011-2012 school year.
  - I. Approved the Community Education 2011 Fall Youth Enrichment Activities and Instructors.
  - J. Approved the Community Education 2011 Fall Adult Enrichment Classes and Instructors.
  - K. Approved the Community Education 2011 Fall Youth Enrichment Classes and Instructors.
  - L. Approved the independent contract for Anne Bartel, Math Coach, effective July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012.
  - M. Approved the independent contract for Kate Kelly, Literacy Coach, effective July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012.

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N. Approved the independent contract of Jennell Ulrich, Family Service Worker, effective August 29, 2011 through June 7, 2012.

O. Approved the contract for Shirley Erickson, Director of Older Adult Programs Choir, effective September 12, 2011 through June 1, 2012.

**Business**

- A. Accepted the donation of an Accordion valued at \$700.00 from Barb J. Anderson to the Simley High School Theatre and Music Department.
- B. Accepted the donation totaling \$4,351.00 from Target Corporation's Take Charge of Education Program to the Simley Letterperson's Club for improvement of Simley High School activities, \$2,351.00 to be transferred to the Simley Excellence Account.
- C. Accepted the donation totaling \$834.22 from Target Corporation's Take Charge of Education Program to the Inver Grove Heights Middle School.
- D. Approved the Second Reading for Revision of Policy 303 – Superintendent Selection, Policy 304 – Superintendent Contract, Duties and Evaluation, Policy 709 – Student Transportation Safety Policy, Policy 901 – Community Education, Policy 905 – Advertising, and Policy 920 – School District Communications.
- E. Approved the Levy Limitation and Certification for 2011 Payable 2012.

**Education**

- A. Approved the 2010-2011 Annual State Report on curriculum, instruction and student achievement.
- B. Approved the Atheneum 5th Grade field trip to Eagle Bluff Environmental Center in Lanesboro, MN from September 19, 2011 to September 21, 2011.
- C. Approved the Simley High School girls varsity volleyball tournament field trip to St. Michael-Albertville High School in Albertville, MN from October 7, 2011 to October 8, 2011.

**Personnel**

- A. Approved the addition of 1.0 FTE Kindergarten certified staff.
- B. Approved the addition of 1.0 FTE 1st Grade certified staff.
- C. Approved the addition of 0.14 FTE Elementary Physical Education certified staff.
- D. Approved the addition of 0.4 FTE Middle School certified staff.

**Board Communication**

- Member Nordstrom congratulated Max Wellens and Margee Freed for having amazing finishes at a cross country event at the University of Minnesota.
- Vice Chair Mandell attended Inver Grove Heights Days.
- Chair Difronzo thanked everyone who participated in Inver Grove Heights Days.

**Closed Session**

The convened into closed session for the purpose of teacher negotiations at 8:19 p.m.

