



*Board Meeting Minutes
May 11th, 2010 @ 6:30 p.m., Room 154
1025 18th St. N., St. Cloud, Minnesota 56303*

CALL TO ORDER: Board Chairperson *at 6:34 p.m.)*

ROLL CALL:

The following board members were present:

Cameo DeDominces, Shawna Kedrowski, Caroline Ruegemer, Angela Schmitz, Monica Schraut, Mary Swanson, Dr. Stan Karcz,

The following board members were absent: Craig Child

MISC. ATTENDEES:

Lowell Haagenson, Chuck Herdegen

SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT:

STRIDE Academy will provide educational experiences for all children promoting a strong foundation in all core academic areas. Using researched based curriculum, students will excel academically through real-life educational experiences in a challenging, caring, and student-centered environment. By meeting each student's unique educational, emotional, and social needs, students will be empowered to become responsible life-long learners and leaders.

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA: *(By motion with any discussion or vote recorded)*

Changes to agenda:

Under New Business to approve hiring FT custodian and FT administrative assistant

PATH's minutes will be delivered by Caroline Ruegemer

Caroline made recommendation to apply average daily membership to our numbers monthly

New enrolment after break will be 277

Remove Item 5 By Laws Approval-this was approved at last month's meeting

Under Approval of Expenditures, Item 3 Same's Club – Change from Fund 04 to 02

Motion to approve made by Angela Schmitz, 2nd by Caroline Ruegemer Passed 6-0 Changes to agenda:

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

(By motion with any discussion or vote recorded) April 20, 2010, approval of minutes: minutes were sent electronically to all board members to review prior to the May 11, 2010 board meeting. Only for review and board motion to approve the minutes will occur during the current board meeting.

TREASURERS REPORT / Finance Director's Report (Approval by motion with any discussion or vote recorded):

1. Finance Committee Report Dale/Cameo/Mary

- Holdback (increased to 27%) of \$441,517 will be received in October or November
- Operating on membership of 264 students, but will have 277 after intersession
- Fees for Software \$11,300.00 were moved to 820 from 305 due to state coding requirements
- Federal stimulus dollar amount reduction is due to fact that it will be spread over 2 years, not one
- Middle School expenses \$46,000+ of the allotted \$50,000 has been spent
- Dale discussed the

Motion made by Caroline Ruegemer to add another \$50,000 into the middle school budget, 2nd by Angela Schmitz Passed 7-0

2. B,K,D and Associates: Chuck Herdegen

- a. Review STRIDE's financial standing, special education funding, education financing outlook
- \$58,000 extra received in Fed. Aid from Stimulus money-that money could be spread over a two year time span, will carry about \$27,000 to the next year.
 - This reduced the cost to resident districts
 - Will allow for additional resources for Middle School

3. Payroll & check expenditures audit review system

- Review of Payroll to ensure all are current employees

PUBLIC FORUM: 10 minutes

Lowell Haagenon thanked the board for their consideration in the interview process.

OLD BUSINESS (*With any Motions, Resolutions, or Votes recorded*)

NEW BUSINESS (With any Motions, Resolutions, or votes recorded)

1. Current Enrollment 274 (will increase by 3 after intersession) Dale/Jason
2. P.A.T.H.'s report Caroline Ruegemer
- General Fund \$6812.98
 - Coffee Fund \$1431.16
 - Service Project Fund \$461.19
 - Third Grade request for field trip-PATH's approve \$100
 - Lynn requested money for volunteer picnic-PATH's approved \$400
 - Tim Heerts requested money for Select Choir trip to MOA-PATH's approved \$605
3. Dean positions approval Dale/Jason U.
- Dean or Operations – Randy Vetsch contract dates, June 14, 2010-June 30, 2011 \$51,000 + benefits and possible \$3000 Q Comp
 - Dean of Student Services – Lowell Haagenon contract dates, June 14, 2010-June 30, 2011 \$49,000 + benefits and possible \$3000 Q Comp

Motion made by Mary Swanson to approve the two dean positions as listed above, 2nd by Shawna Kedrowski Passed 7-0

4. Future of STRIDE Academy facility and grade levels Dale/Jason

- Dale asked board for what their vision for the future expansion of STRIDE would look like
- Monica Schraut voiced opinion that now is the time to look into high school
- Discussed sites and how current site serves Sartell, Sauk Rapids, & Rice area
- Recommendation to have Dale look into expansion possibilities and bring to board next month

5. Approval of Audit retainer: Larson-Allen (\$10,925.00 = \$9,500 audit/\$1,425 990's filing)
 The \$12,000.00 = \$10,925.00 + 1,075.00 to cover incidentals & processing fees only if necessary)
 *will be bidding with Schlenner-Wenner, and KDB next year: local audit firm

Motion made by Swanson to approve \$12,000 audit, 2nd by Caroline Ruegemer Passed 7-0

6. New hires for Middle School Dale

- One administration assistant \$22,000-\$28,000 FTE
- Custodial \$20,000-\$26,000 FTE

Motion made by Cameo DeDominces to approve hiring above positions, 2nd by Caroline Ruegemer Passed 7-0

Approval of Expenditures:

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| 1. Henkemeyer Properties | \$ 29,676.83 lease | Gen. Fund 01 |
| 2. Middle School: Brownton items | \$ 11,492.00 Middle School set-aside | Gen. Fund 01 |
| 3. Sam's Club: Breakfast Club/X-Cel Panther | \$ 2,769.07 Title | Gen. Fund 01/02 |
| 4. School Psychologist: Margy Bailey | \$ 1,175.00 Spec. ed. | Gen. Fund 01 |
| 5. Assurant Benefits | \$ 2,026.60 | Gen. Fund 01 |
| 6. Continental Western: work comp./Board | \$ 3,030.00 | Gen. Fund 01 |
| 7. Tom Fish: Milkman | \$ 1,323.00 | Gen. Fund 02 |
| 8. Food Ecstasy | \$ 1,804.11 | Gen. Fund 02 |

Motion made by Shawna Kedrowski to approve expenditures as listed above, 2nd by Mary Swanson Passed 7-0

Average Daily membership: ADM represents the portion of the school year during which a student is enrolled in the school, district or charter school. Districts report their estimated ADM on the EDRS (Electronic data reporting system) system. Clean-up payments at the end of the school year compare the EDRS estimates that have been used to meter payments with the actual ADM calculated from the year-end MARSS files.

Student Average Daily Membership:

Pupil Units or WADM equal ADM multiplied by the weighting factor specified in statute for the given grade and school year.

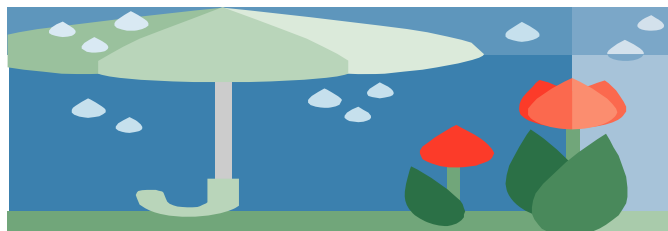
- * Early Childhood Special Education (EC): 1.250
- * Kindergarten Disabled: 1.0
- * Kindergarten Non-Disabled 0.557 no additional weighting for full day students
- * Grades 1 through 3: 1.115
- * Grades 4 through 6: 1.060
- * Grades 7 through 12: 1.300

Formula Example: (20) 6th grade students General education Aide per student = \$ 5,000

$$20 \times 1.060 = 21.2 \times \$5,000 = \$ 106,000 \text{ plus other compensatory awards}$$

Formula Example: (20) Kindergarten students General Education aide per student = \$ 5,000

$$20 \times .557 = 11.14 \times \$5,000 = \$ 55,700 \text{ plus other compensatory awards}$$



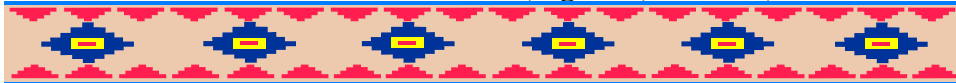
Board Standing Sub-Committees:

1. Curriculum and Instruction Committee: Jason Ulbrich, Dale Beutel
2. Facility/Security/Emergency/Expansion: Jason Ulbrich, Dale Beutel
3. Finance committee: Dale Beutel, Jason Ulbrich, Rodger Vix, Cameo DeDominces, Mary Swanson, Chuck Herdegen-BKD Group **Next meeting June 7, 2010 1:00 in Teacher's Lounge STRIDE Academy**
4. Election Committee: Angela Schmitz, Shawna Kedrowski, Rebecca Martinez, Stephanie and Scott Hanson **Next meeting May 20, 2010 3:00 in Angela Schmitz' classroom**
5. Middle School Committee: Dale Beutel, Jason Ulbrich, Daniel Thole, Stan Karcz, Rita Doroff, Mary Swanson, Sherry Kedrowski, Genevieve Migala, Steve Plafkin, Jamie Goebel, Monica Schraut
6. Administrative Committee: Dr. Stan Karcz, Craig Child, Cameo DeDominces **Meeting to be announced**
7. STRIDE By-Laws Committee: Chairperson: Shawna Kedrowski, Caroline Ruegemer, Dale Beutel, Angela Schmitz
8. STRIDE Policy Committee: Chairperson Cameo DeDominces, Dale Beutel, Monica Schraut **Meeting to be announced**

**BOARD CORRESPONDENCE & COMMUNICATIONS
REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF NEXT MEETING AGENDA**

(By motion with any discussion or vote recorded)

The discussion should include the date, agenda, location, etc.



MOTION TO ADJOURN 8:04 p.m.

Approved on _____

**Monica Schraut - Secretary
STRIDE Academy School Board**