

St. Louis Park Public Schools
Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting
Monday, February 14, 2005 7:30 pm
St. Louis Park Senior High Room 350C

The regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 283 of St. Louis Park, Hennepin County, Minnesota, convened at 7:34 pm on Monday, February 14, 2005, in St. Louis Park Senior High Room 350C. Present were Board Members Keith Broady, Nancy Gores, Rolf Peterson, Bruce Richardson, Jerry Timian, Jim Yarosh, and Julie Sweitzer, Superintendent Debra Bowers, Assistant Superintendent Dan Walker, Director of Special Services Tami Reynolds, Director of Community Education Linda Saveraid, Director of Business Services Jeff Priess, and Acting Secretary to the Board Judi Gruber. Also present was Chuck Corliss

APPROVAL OF AGENDA A motion was made by Richardson, seconded by Peterson to approve the agenda. Motion carried 7-0.

STUDY SESSION TOPICS

2005-06 Budget Update

Jeff Priess presented information on upcoming special meetings concerning Program Based Budgeting, including:

- March 7 – Presentations of budget packages, 3:30 pm in C350
- March 10 – Priority ranking of the budget packages. 4:00 pm in C350

Site meetings are being held in each building prior to March 7.

Total Revenue/expense adjustments equal \$775,000.00.

A total of 7.5 million dollars in reductions will have been made with the adoption of the FY06 budget.

Chuck Corliss and Phil Fischer of Facility Management Systems of White Bear Lake are working as maintenance consultants with St. Louis Park Schools. Chuck Corliss presented an overview of proposed projects over the next several years, including roofing of buildings and major paving projects in building parking lots.

Community Education Annual Report

Linda Saveraid highlighted the history of Community Education, started in 1971, in St. Louis Park. Community Education in SLP is comprised of adult programs, youth programs and early childhood education. Community Education is authorized by law and the program must have an advisory council.

Linda will work with Prachee Mukherjee to develop ways of collecting data (participation and contact hours)

Revenue sources for 2003-04 included;

- Miscellaneous fees/gifts/grants – 12%
- Local funding – 18%
- Federal funding – 1%
- State funding – 9%
- Tuition/fees – 60%

Minnesota Community Association 2005 Legislative platform is focused on the areas of early childhood family education, school readiness, general community education and adult basic education.

2005-06 Calendar

Dan Walker presented information regarding the 2005-06 and 06-07 school calendars. This year has brought about a change in the calendar process. In prior years a committee of approximately 30 people would study and make recommendations. This year calendar options have been put together and will go out to all staff to give feedback. Calendars will hopefully be finalized and ready for school board approval at the February 28 meeting. The Legislature may mandate that the start date be right after Labor Day. Keith suggested making up an additional option with a starting date after Labor Day. The calendar options will be published on the school district web site for parent input.

Policy Development – Open and Closed Meetings

This was the second reading of this policy. It was suggested that the addendum be consolidated into the existing policy. The proposed email procedures for school board members will be included in the board packet in the near future.

Policy Development – PowerSchool Parent/Guardian Web Access Policy

This is the first reading of changes to this policy. The first part of the document is the actual policy. The second part contains the procedures

ADJOURNMENT

A motion by made by Timian, seconded by Sweitzer to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:29 pm.