

**MINUTES OF THIS MEETING HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED**

**MINNESOTA VALLEY EDUCATION DISTRICT  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2023**

**6:30 PM**

**MVED DISTRICT OFFICE, 801 DAVIS STREET, SAINT PETER, MN**

In attendance at the meeting were the following Board Members: Linda Leiding, Karson Duncanson, Tracy Stuewe, and Nancy Heldberg. Board Members Absent: Ashley Black, Steve Cross, and Jillian Cousins. Also in attendance were Director of Administrative Services/MVED Principal Tamara Engel, Executive Director of Special Education Sara McMonagle, Supervising Superintendent Bill Gronseth, MVED Business Manager Megan Gracia, MVED EA Vice President Jacki Madden, and Administrative Assistant Amy Leonard.

Chair Heldberg called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm

Approval of Agenda: (Stuewe/Duncanson, unanimous)

Consider Requests to Speak on the Agenda: none

Approval of Consent Agenda Items: (Leiding/Stuewe, unanimous)

- A. Approval of the Organizational Board Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2023.
- B. Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2023.
- C. Approval of Bills and Wire Payments for February and March 2023 (\$509,132.24).
- D. Personnel
  - 1. Approval of the hiring of Etye Perez, Paraprofessional, effective March 27, 2023.
  - 2. Acceptance of the resignation of Lindsey Carlson, Physical Therapist, effective June 2, 2023.
  - 3. Acceptance of the resignation of Rebekah Blaschko, Occupational Therapist, effective June 2, 2023.
- E. Contracts/Agreements
  - 1. Approval of Product Lease Agreement with Postage Meter Rental Agreement with Quadient Leasing.
  - 2. Approval of renewal of Region V Computer Services for the 2023-2024 school year.

Approval of Revised 2022-2023 Budget: Motion to approve revised 2022-2023 budget. (Stuewe/Duncanson, unanimous)

Update on planning in regard to LSH leaving MVED: Sara and Megan have been meeting with the superintendents and business managers of the individual districts as changes are different for each district. Nothing has been finalized yet as there are still meetings to be held, but decisions will be upcoming in the next couple of weeks.

#### Executive Director of Special Education Report

Special Education Director Sara McMonagle reported that instead of doing the STAR preschool program, MVED will be implementing EQIP which is an early intervention program that emphasizes educating families/caregivers ways in which they can incorporate skills and interventions into their households and daily routines. She also reminded the board about the Special Ed Boot Camp. This will be a day of virtual sessions to be held this summer on August 15, and board members are invited to attend. Her regional director's group will be hosting a Principal's Institute on July 25. Principals from throughout the region will be invited to attend.

#### Director of Administrative Services/MVED Principal Report

Director of Administrative Services/MVED Principal Tamara Engel reported that there are currently 37 students attending MVS and 12 MRS students. She also updated the board on the Kindness Grant that has been awarded to MVED. Extended School Year will be held from 8:30-11:30 for a week in June, a week in July, and a week in August. She is still looking for some staff to work these weeks.

#### Supervising Superintendent Report

Supervising Superintendent Bill Gronseth informed the board that the negotiations committee consisting of Sara, board member Duncanson, and himself held their first meeting this evening as staff negotiations are getting underway.

#### Future meetings:

Tuesday	June 13, 2023	MVED District Office	6:30 PM
Tuesday	August 8, 2023	MVED District Office	6:30 PM

The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 pm (Leiding/Stuewe, unanimous).

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Ashley Black (MVED Board of Directors Clerk)

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