

***NORTH STAR SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
JUNE 6, 2017***

A Special Board Meeting of the North Star School Board was held in the Library at North Star Central Elementary on Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 6:00 PM for discussion of the 2017-2018 budget and general purposes.

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Mr. Wayne Lohr, with the following additional board members present: Mr. Marty Blough, Mr. Bernie Carlson, Mrs. Colleen DeLuca, Mr. Chad Kaltenbaugh, Mr. Mike Revak, Mrs. Carol Shaulis, Mrs. Cindy West, Mrs. Gina Wiedenhoft

All 9 board members were present.

OTHERS ATTENDING... Mr. Louis Lepley, Superintendent; Mr. Brandon Studer, Business Manager; Mr. Terry Ohler, Maintenance Supervisor; Mrs. Diana Duvall, Board and Superintendent's Secretary.

VISITORS... Mr. Matthew Toth, Somerset Daily American

Mrs. Duvall called the Roll and Mr. Lohr led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

AGENDA ADOPTED... On a motion by Mrs. Wiedenhoft, seconded by Mrs. Shaulis and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board adopted the evening's Agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT... There was no public comment.

BUDGET DISCUSSION... The Board discussed options to trim the 2017-2018 budget. Discussion included possible cuts to programs and staff due to declining enrollment. A retirement incentive is being considered, which would result in a savings in salaries and benefits. Several building and grounds projects were put on hold. Limiting conference attendance was also discussed. The 2017-2018 budget is on the agenda for approval at the June 20, 2017 Regular School Board Meeting.

DRIVER'S EDUCATION PROGRAM... On a motion by Mr. Blough, seconded by Mr. Revak and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board increased the participation cost for Behind-the-Wheel driver's education instruction to \$150.00 per student, starting on the first day of the 2017-2018 school year (August 25, 2017). Also starting in 2017-2018, Behind-the-Wheel instruction will be provided during the school year only. There will be no summer hours for Behind-the-Wheel instruction after the summer of 2017.

AUTISTIC SUPPORT PROGRAM... On a motion by Mrs. DeLuca, seconded by Mrs. Shaulis and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved implementation of our own in-house Autistic Support program beginning in the 2017-2018 school year, to be instructed by a special education teacher already on staff.

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ELEMENTARY CYBER SCHOOL PROGRAM... On a motion by Mrs. DeLuca, seconded by Mrs. West and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved payment of \$1,000.00 out of the 2016-2017 budget to Edmentum to commence with development of an elementary cyber program to add to our existing secondary cyber program, beginning in the 2017-2018 school year. The current teacher will supervise both programs.

ADJOURNMENT... On a motion by Mr. Blough, seconded by Mr. Revak and carried by unanimous voice vote, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved,

Diana L. Duvall, Secretary
Board of Directors
North Star School District

B. Wayne Lohr, President
Board of Directors
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