

The regular meeting of the School Board of Lake Superior Independent School District No. 381 was held Thursday, April 14, 2011, 6:00 p.m.; District Office Community Room, Two Harbors High School, 1640 Highway 2, Two Harbors, Minnesota.

1.0 Chair Babeu called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2.0 **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Leo Babeu, Dwight Moe, Jack Pichotta, Cynthia Ryder, Renee Saamanen, Carol Youngberg

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Kathy Ruberg

**ALSO PRESENT:** Superintendent, Philip Minkkinen; Business Manager, Sue Mitchell; Community Education Director, Chris Langenbrunner; Principal, Patricia Driscoll; Principal, Joe Nicklay; Principal, Brett Archer; Recording Secretary, Mary Guzzo

3.0 **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

3.1 **Additions or Corrections to the Agenda:**

Motion by Youngberg, second by Pichotta to approve the agenda with the following additions: 7.3 (LSSD Principals' Notice to Negotiate Contract); 7.4 (Northern Lights Special Education Cooperative Membership Renewal).  
**(Carried Unanimously)**

4.0 **APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

4.1 **Additions or Corrections to the Consent Agenda:**

Motion by Ryder, second by Saamanen to approve the consent agenda as follows: **Minutes:** March 17, 2011; **Personnel:** Approve Recommendations to Hire Heather Oberg as Head Girls' Swimming Coach at THHS; John Peterson as Assistant Track Coach at THHS; Jeff Adams as Assistant Baseball Coach at THHS.  
**(Carried Unanimously)**

5.0 **DELEGATIONS/OPEN FORUM:** None

6.0 **OLD BUSINESS**

6.1 **Approve Financial Reports:**

6.1.1 **Approve Bills ~ March, 2011:**

Motion by Youngberg, second by Moe to approve payment of the March bills, checks 118060 through 118369, in the amount of \$443,431.36.  
**(Carried Unanimously)**

6.1.2 **Approve Electronic Fund Transfers ~ March, 2011:**

Motion by Youngberg, second by Pichotta to approve the March Electronic Fund Transfers: (03/15/11) \$425,000.00 to the payroll account; (03/22/11) \$225,000.00 to the general account; (03/28/11) \$2,303,625.00 to US Bank Debt Service; (03/30/11) \$433,000.00 to the payroll account.  
**(Carried Unanimously)**

6.2 **Lease Agreement/Easement (City of Two Harbors):**

Nothing to report at this time.

6.3 **Request for Leave ~ Educational Assistant:**

Motion by Moe, second by Ryder to approve the request for leave from Educational Assistant, Angela Nelson, effective Monday, April 18, 2011. **(Carried Unanimously)**

## 7.0 NEW BUSINESS

### 7.1 Donation of Sick Leave Request from Bus Drivers:

Motion by Ryder, second by Youngberg to approve the request from bus drivers allowing them to donate their sick leave to another bus driver. **(Carried Unanimously)**

### 7.2 Retirement of Early Childhood Special Education Teacher:

Motion by Pichotta, second by Youngberg to accept with regret the resignation of Early Childhood Special Education Teacher, Laurie Harris, effective June 7, 2011. **(Carried Unanimously)**

### 7.3 Principals' Notice to Negotiate Contract:

The Board received notice from the principals to open and negotiate their contract.

### 7.4 Northern Lights Special Education Coop Membership Renewal ~ 2011/2012:

Member Saamanen introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

#### **NLSEC AGREEMENT / MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2011/2012**

WHEREAS, Independent School District No. 381 has been a member of the Northern Lights Special Education Cooperative and desires to continue to share special education services as a member of the Cooperative.

WHEREAS, the districts of the Northern Lights Special Education Cooperative have determined that it is in their mutual best interests to set forth the terms of membership in the Special Education Cooperative in the form of a written agreement approved by the School Boards of all members and executed by their chairman.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Independent School District No. 381 hereby agrees to share Northern Lights Special Education Cooperative services according to the terms and conditions of the Northern Lights Special Education Cooperative Agreement (a copy of which is on file in the school district office) and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Leo Babeu and Cynthia Ryder are hereby authorized to execute said Agreement on behalf of Independent School District No. 381.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Ryder.

The following voted in favor thereof: Babeu, Moe, Pichotta, Ryder, Saamanen, Youngberg

The following voted against: None  
The following were absent: Ruberg

The undersigned as Clerk of the School Board for Independent School District No. 381 hereby certifies that the above Resolution is true and is adopted by the School Board of Independent School District No. 381 on April 14, 2011.

**8.0 CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**9.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & COMMENDATIONS:**

**9.1 Coop Light & Power Grant ~ Funding to Support Missoula Children's Theatre:**

Ms. Langenbrunner updated the Board on this \$1,000 grant and how it benefits the Missoula Children's Theatre program.

**9.2 True North AmeriCorps Program ~ Two Half-Time Positions 2011/2012:**

Ms. Langenbrunner updated the Board on the AmeriCorps program and the plan for the two half-time positions.

**10.0 REPORTS:**

**10.1 Community Education ~ Director Chris Langenbrunner:**

Ms. Langenbrunner updated the Board on Community Education activities.

**10.2 Minnehaha Elementary ~ Principal Patricia Driscoll:**

Ms. Driscoll updated the Board on Minnehaha activities.

**10.3 Wm. Kelley Elementary & Secondary ~ Principal Joe Nicklay:**

Mr. Nicklay updated the Board on Wm. Kelley activities.

**10.4 Two Harbors High School ~ Principal Brett Archer:**

Mr. Archer updated the Board on THHS activities.

**10.5 Superintendent Philip Minkkinen:**

Superintendent Minkkinen updated the Board on legislative issues, staffing for 2011-2012, technology visit to Grand Rapids Schools, high-speed internet fiber project, summer building projects, and contract negotiations.

The Board has scheduled a Personnel Meeting to discuss negotiations on Monday, May 2, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. in the District Office Community Room. The Board has rescheduled the June Board meetings as follows: Committee-of-the-Whole Board meeting (Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> @ 6:00) and Regular Board Meeting (Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00).

**11.0 ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Moe, second by Ryder to adjourn the meeting at 6:41 p.m. **(Carried Unanimously)**

Minutes taken by Mary Guzzo

Adopted: May 19, 2011