

**School District of Bayfield
Special Joint Board of Education Meeting
With the
Town of LaPointe and Madeline Island Ferry Lines, Inc.**

May 19, 2009

1. Call to Order: The special school board meeting of the School District of Bayfield Board of Education was called to order by School Board President Bob Nelson on Monday, May 19, 2009 at 4:08 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room.

2. Roll call of school board members: School Board members present were Don Jeffords, Jackie Merila, Bob Nelson, Deb Knopf, Cindy Garrity, and Brian Goodwin.

Absent and Excused: Rocky Tribovich

3. Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Adjourn to executive session in accordance with Wisconsin Statute 19.85

(1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public property, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session – Winter Transportation Contract Negotiations.

Motion by Don Jeffords to adjourn to Executive Session at 4:09 p.m. in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes 19.85, second by Cindy Garrity. Roll Call Vote: Cindy Garrity-Yes; Rocky Tribovich-Absent; Bob Nelson-Yes; Brian Goodwin-Yes; Don Jeffords-Yes; Jackie Merila-Yes; and Deb Knopf-Yes. Motion carried.

Minutes of Executive Session are withheld as confidential.

Rocky Tribovich arrived at 5:05 p.m.

5. Reconvene in open session at 5:08 p.m. in the School Library to meet with the Town of LaPointe and Madeline Island Ferry Line, Inc. to negotiate the Winter Transportation Contract. Lengthy discussion followed.

The group was presented with a proposal prepared by Superintendent Kunelius at the request of the Board of Education. The proposal identified options that the group might want to consider which would address the groups' safety concern, island residence's displeasure of having to subsidize transportation of island students to/from the island through their taxes, and the duplication of services.

Arnie Nelson stated his concern with the type of airboat the District has chosen to purchase. Mr. Nelson indicated he feels the airboat chosen by the District will not take the abuse of the ice.

It was agreed upon by all individuals present that the group needed to appoint individuals from each entity to work on preparing a Collaborative Agreement between the Town of LaPointe Board, Madeline Island Ferry Line, Inc. and the School District of Bayfield. Gary Russell will serve as the representative from the Madeline Island Ferry Line, Inc., Rick Gillman and Beth Fischlowitz will serve as representatives from the Town of LaPointe, and Brian Goodwin and Don Jeffords will serve as representatives from the School District of Bayfield. A meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, May 27, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at the LaPointe Public Library.

At 7:37 p.m. the Board took a recess until 8:00 p.m.

Discussion on Winter Transportation continued.

6. Adjournment.

Motion by Deb Knopf to adjourn meeting, second by Rocky Tribovich. Motion carried.
The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Kelly
Recording School Board Secretary

Approved: _____
Robert J. Nelson, President

Approved: _____
Cindy Garrity, Clerk