

**School District of Bayfield  
Notice of Board of Education Meeting  
Monday, April 14, 2008**

1. Call to Order: The regular school board meeting of the School District of Bayfield Board of Education was called to order by Board President Bob Nelson on Monday, April 14, 2008, 6:00 p.m., in the school library.
2. Roll call of school board members: School Board members present were Bob Nelson, Jackie Merila, Don Jeffords, Cindy Garrity, Brian Goodwin, Deb Knopf, and Rocky Tribovich.
3. Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of allegiance was said.
4. Confirmation of Meeting Posting: Sheila Kelly confirmed postings.
5. Approval of the Agenda

**Motion by Rocky Tribovich to approve agenda as presented, second by Don Jeffords. Motion carried.**

6. Approval of School Board Minutes – March 10, 2008.

**Motion by Deb Knopf to approve minutes of March 10, 2008, Regular Board Meeting as presented, second by Cindy Garrity. Motion carried.**

7. Communications/Reports:

7.1 Board President & Members:

- 7.1.1 Finance Committee: Board was informed the manufacturers that produce bus axles for school busses are on strike. Until the strike can be resolved, the District will not be able to obtain a bid for a new bus to replace the old island school bus. Committee will keep the board informed of any new developments.

**Motion by Rocky Tribovich to receive and place on file the Finance Committee minutes from April 10, 2008 as presented, second by Don Jeffords. Motion carried.**

- 7.1.2 Policy Committee: Work continues on the policies. Policy Committee member Don Jeffords thanked Nancy Heaton for her work on the financial policies.

**Motion by Don Jeffords to receive and place on file the Policy Committee minutes from April 10, 2008 as presented, second by Cindy Garrity. Motion carried.**

- 7.1.3 Political Action Committee: Nothing to report.

- 7.1.4 Negotiations Committee: Meeting was held with BESSA on April 8, 2008 and a meeting with BEA is scheduled for April 15, 2008.

7.2 Audience/Written: Thank you card from Karen Grieve.

Oath of Office was given to Paul Tribovich and Robert Nelson by Board Clerk Jackie Merila.

Forrest Howk presented the Board with an itinerary of the Senior Class trip to Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota. Senior Class Advisors are Beth Kasinski and Jeff Haiden.

7.3 Reports:

- 7.3.1 Athletic Director:
- 7.3.2 Technology Coordinator:
- 7.3.3 K-8 Principal:
- 7.3.4 9-12 Principal:
- 7.3.5 Director of Pupil Services:
- 7.3.6 Recreation Center:
- 7.3.7 Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds
- 7.3.8 Red Cliff Education Committee: No report received.

**Motion by Rocky Tribovich to receive and place on file reports 7.3.1 through 7.3.7 as presented, second by Cindy Garrity. Motion carried.**

8. Financial Accounting

8.1 Approval of Vouchers:

**Motion by Deb Knopf to approve voucher numbers 50037 to 50192 as presented, second by Cindy Garrity. Motion carried.**

8.2 Monthly Financial Report:

**Motion by Deb Knopf to approve monthly financial report for April as presented by Finance Manager Nancy Heaton, second by Brian Goodwin. Motion carried.**

9. General Business

9.1 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 9.1.1 Discussion of Board Priorities: Achievement, Attendance & Behavior, School Finance & Strategic Planning, Cultural Diversity, Open Enrollment, Special Education Disproportionality, Parent/Community Involvement, School Climate.
- 9.1.2 Sesquicentennial Celebration: Plans are progressing very well. Brandon Harris has volunteered to tape the event on May 1st. Agenda and schedule of events will be finalized this week.
- 9.1.3 Ritland Report: Rod Ingram, a Facilities Consultant from Eagle River, provided the Board with results of the custodial study he performed on the District. Consensus of Board for Superintendent Kunelius to work with Rod Ingram and Steve Dunn on ways the District can be more efficient with our custodial services.
- 9.1.4 Consider 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Policy 662.21 Cash in School Buildings and 671.3 Exhibit 1 Travel Expense Report

**Motion by Rocky Tribovich to approve 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of policies 662.21 Cash in School Buildings and 671.3 Exhibit 1 Travel Expense Report, second by Don Jeffords. Motion carried.**

9.2 NEW BUSINESS

- 9.2.1 FAST Report: Laura Bohn-Team Coordinator and School Partner, Salena Bressler-Mental Health Partner, and Chris Boyd-AODA Partner, provided the Board with a report on the FAST Program. Laura Bohn also informed the Board that another individual, Laura Gamble-Parent Partner, is also part of the team. The Board expressed their appreciation for the work they are doing with the FAST Program.

**Motion by Rocky Tribovich to receive and place on file the FAST Report as presented, second by Jackie Merila. Motion carried.**

9.2.2 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teaching Position: Recommendation to fill this position.

**Motion by Don Jeffords to approve filling a full-time 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade teaching position beginning with the 2008-2009 school year, second by Deb Knopf. Roll Call Vote: Cindy Garrity-Yes, Bob Nelson-Yes, Deb Knopf-Yes, Jackie Merila-Yes, Rocky Tribovich-Yes, Brian Goodwin-Yes, and Don Jeffords-Yes. Motion carried.**

9.2.3 Sauna Proposal: Update Board Member Don Jeffords. Discussion.

**Motion by Don Jeffords to approve Sauna proposal as presented and approve up to \$1,000.00 of District funds for framing and insulation with reimbursement after invoice, second by Brian Goodwin. Roll Call Vote: Cindy Garrity-Yes, Bob Nelson-Yes, Deb Knopf-Yes, Jackie Merila-Yes, Rocky Tribovich-Yes, Brian Goodwin-Yes, and Don Jeffords-Yes. Motion carried.**

9.2.4 Skateboard Park Proposal: Update given by Finance Committee Member Rocky Tribovich. Preliminary liability insurance figure from the District's insurance company is \$780.00 to \$800.00 per year. Recreation Center needs to check with their insurance company.

**Motion by Rocky Tribovich to table Skateboard Park Proposal as presented, second by Don Jeffords. Motion carried.**

9.2.5 Consider Letters of Resignation

**Motion by Rocky Tribovich to accept letters of resignation from Mary Jo Rabideaux (effective 6-11-08), Curt Stelmaszewski (effective 06-10-08), Chris Stelmaszewski (effective 05-16-08), Michael Anderson (effective end of 2007-2008 school year), and Jennifer Mellenthin (effective end of 2007-2008 school year) as presented, second by Deb Knopf. Motion carried.**

The Board of Education wishes to acknowledge Mary Jo Rabideaux for her 27 years of service to the District. Board members who were students at Bayfield shared they have many fond memories of Mary Jo serving them wonderful lunches.

Board Member Cindy Garrity stated that Curt and Chris Stelmaszewski have been an asset to the District and will be missed.

9.2.6 Consider New Island Bus: The manufacturers that produce the bus axles for school busses are on strike. Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds Steve Dunn will keep the Board apprised on the status of the replacement bus for the island.

**Motion by Don Jeffords to table approval of new island bus, second by Deb Knopf. Motion carried.**

9.2.7 2008-2009 Staffing: Superintendent Kunelius informed the Board there is nothing to act on at this time. The District is exploring ways to maximize services to enhance what we are doing with students. Dialog continues with Washburn on how to share services by collaboration. Possible areas of collaboration are the hot lunch program, technical education, and foreign language. Superintendent Kunelius informed the Board that the CESA Services Contract may be brought back to the Board for consideration to add curriculum development services. Superintendent Kunelius stated that it is her recommendation that the District consider a full-time Gifted and Talented program for next school year. Superintendent Kunelius is also working with the physical education staff on ways of enhancing the physical education program.

It is the consensus of the Board that they support a full-time Gifted and Talented program for next school year. However, they request that the District look for an

individual with strong curriculum development experience. Superintendent Kunelius hopes to bring recommendations on staffing to the Board at the May meeting.

10. Adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with Wisconsin Statute 19.85

**Motion by Rocky Tribovich to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:43 p.m. in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes 19.85, (1)(f) Considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations – Placement of Student, second by Don Jeffords. Roll Call Vote: Cindy Garrity-Yes, Bob Nelson-Yes, Deb Knopf-Yes, Jackie Merila-Yes, Rocky Tribovich-Yes, Brian Goodwin-Yes, and Don Jeffords-Yes. Motion carried.**

Minutes of Executive Session are withheld as confidential.

11. Reconvene in open session to act on any items from executive session if necessary. The meeting reconvened at 9:25 p.m.

12. Adjournment

**Motion by Don Jeffords to adjourn meeting at 9:26 p.m., second by Deb Knopf. Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Kelly  
Recording School Board Secretary

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Robert J. Nelson, President

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jacqueline Merila, Clerk