A regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 831, Forest Lake, Minnesota, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 29, 2007, at the School District Office Building. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll was called and the following members were present: Bill Bresin, Julie Corcoran, David Gay, Joe Grafft, Dan Kieger, Eric Langness, Rob Rapheal, and Superintendent Lynn Steenblock, ex officio.

The meeting agenda was reviewed and no changes were made.

4. VISITORS:

   Listening Session: Bill Bresin and Julie Corcoran conducted the 6:00 p.m. Listening Session. Six people came to talk about spring break on the school calendar, bus washing, bus strobe lights, and Microsoft settlement monies.

   Forest Lake City Council Member Greg Ochs addressed the School Board regarding plans for the new ice arena, and continuing the good relationship between the City of Forest Lake and the school district. He reported that he has been appointed as the city council’s liaison to the school district.

   Jeremy Swensen reported that Linwood Music Teacher Diane Hipkins was awarded a $2,900 grant from the Education Minnesota Foundation for Excellence in Teaching and Learning. The grant will be used to promote the relationship between literature and music.

5. STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT:

   State Competition – Dean Jim Caldwell introduced Wrestling Coaches Rich Elliot, Bob Dettmer, and Nordic Ski Coach Deno Johnson. The coaches presented their team members and the students reported on their individual successes in their respective state tournaments.

   Southwest Junior High – Principal Marc Peterson introduced Math Teacher Kate Smith and four ninth grade students who presented an exercise on Integrated Math II and the correlation of data.

   Positive Happenings:

   The recent Scandia and Forest Lake Elementary School Carnivals were very successful. Joe Grafft reported that the Maroon & Gold Ice Arena had a successful season and no ice time was cancelled due to mechanical failure.
6. **REPORTS:**

Buildings & Grounds – Dan Kieger reported that at the last meeting the Buildings and Grounds Committee discussed the senior high kitchen remodeling project, the sale of the construction trades house, and reported that Mike Kopietz and Lawrence Martini are developing a five-year maintenance and upkeep plan.

Communications – Joe Grafft reported that committee reviewed the senior high and district web sites.

Finance – Dan Kieger reported that at the last meeting the Finance Committee reviewed the 2006-07 budget, the proposed budget adjustments, the mid-year audit review, and GASB.

Policy – Rob Rapheal reported that the Policy Committee reviewed the new background checks policy on the agenda for a first reading this meeting.

Staff Welfare – Bill Bresin reported that at the last meeting, the Staff Welfare Committee discussed the clerical units’ negotiations, staffing and class sizes, and the proposed 2007-08 school calendar.

Superintendent’s report:
1) The annual Retirement Recognition will be Wednesday, May 23, 2007 in the Senior High Media Center.
2) Administration is working on the process of hiring a new Principal for Forest Lake Elementary.
3) Forest Lake Elementary had “Create A Ripple” week.
4) Gave an update on the proposed legislative bills offered by the Minnesota House, Senate and Governor.

7. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

Member Grafft moved, seconded by Member Rapheal, to approve consent agenda items 7.1-7.4. All members voted aye and the motion carried.

7.1 Approved the Minutes of March 8, 2007.

7.2 Approved the Bills as of March 29, 2007.

7.3 Classified Personnel:
   B. Employment: Brandon Perry - effective 3-26-07.
   C. Transfer: Bruce Smith – to Custodial position at Southwest Junior High effective 3/14/07.
D. Unpaid Leave of Absence:

7.4 Licensed Personnel: Member Kieger moved, seconded by Member Corcoran, to approve the following licensed personnel changes. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

A. Unpaid Leave of Absence:
9. Jennifer Wagner – Leave of absence from on or about 3/30/07 to 4/20/07.

B. Non-Curricular Position (on non-contract status):
1. Alecia Effering – 7-8 grade Junior High Girls’ Head Gymnastics Coach.
2. Cynthia Hess – 1st Assistant Play Director (FLHS).
3. Ryan Johnson - .5 Boys’ Assistant Golf Coach (FLHS).
4. Sandy Knutson - .5 Yearbook Advisor (Linwood).
7. Tim Newcomb – One Act Play Director (FLHS).
8. Ben Saunders – Boys’ Assistant Track Coach (FLHS).
10. Jeff Wilson - .5 Boys’ Assistant Golf Coach (FLHS).
11. Ruth Workman – .5 Yearbook Advisor (Linwood).
12. Molly Yoch - .63 Assistant Synchronized Swim Coach (paid by Booster Club).

C. Additional Assignment: Carol Kuschke – Additional hour assignment for second semester of the 2006-07 school year.

D. Retirement/Resignation:
11. Marcia Rockwood – Retire effective end of day June 8, 2007 (26 yr.)
7.5 Donations: Member Rapheal moved, seconded by Member Corcoran, to accept the following donations. All members voted aye and the motion carried. $200 from the Lino Lakes PTO for the Festival of Cultures; $2,000 from Washington County to fund depression screening for 2007-08; $450 from the Forest Lake Elementary PTO for field trips and classroom supplies; $50 from Vicky Savage for the ALC Yearbook, $200 from Sandy Olson for the ALC Yearbook, $25 from Loren Lynch for the ALC Spring Formal; $50 from Richard Savage for the ALC Yearbook, $200 from Kelli Carlson-Jagersma for Scandia Elementary student enrichment; and $500 for musical instruments for Scandia Elementary from the Scandia-Marine Lions Club.

The meeting recessed from 8:03-8:09 p.m.

8. OLD BUSINESS:

8.1 2007-08 School Calendar – Member Gay moved to approve the proposed 2007-08 School Calendar and designate the actual holiday names on the calendar back. The motion was seconded by Member Langness. Following discussion, a roll call vote was taken and Members Gay and Langness voted aye, and Members Bresin, Corcoran, Grafft, Kieger and Rapheal voted no. Motion defeated.

Member Kieger moved, seconded by Member Grafft, to approve the School Calendar for 2007-08 with the stipulation that if the district Q Comp plan is not approved, in August new teachers would have in-services on August 20-23 and all teachers would have in-service/workdays on August 27, 28, 29 and 30. By roll call vote, Members Bresin, Corcoran, Gay, Grafft, Kieger, and Rapheal voted aye. Member Langness voted no. Calendar adopted.

8.2 Structural Balance – Member Grafft moved to adopt the Resolution Approving the Structural Balance Report on the Interpreters’ Contract 2006-2008. The motion was seconded by Member Langness. By roll call vote all members voted aye and the resolution was adopted. (Resolution in official minutes book.)

8.3 Interpreters’ Employment Agreement – Member Gay moved to ratify the Interpreters’ Employment Agreement 2006-2008. The motion was seconded by Member Grafft. By roll call vote, all members voted aye and the resolution was adopted.

8.4 House Sale – Member Grafft moved to award the bid for the sale of the house built by the senior high construction trades program class to the highest bidders, Dale and Patricia Trebesch for $69,336.86 including 6.5% sale tax. The motion was seconded by Member Kieger, by roll call vote all members voted aye and the motion carried. (Bid tabulation in official minutes book.)
8.5 Budget Adjustments – Member Langness moved to approve the recommended $750,000 adjustments to the 2006-2007 general fund revenue and expenditure budgets. The motion was seconded by Member Grafft, by roll call vote all members present voted aye, and the motion was approved.

8.6 Non-Renewal of Probationary Teachers – Member Grafft moved to adopt the Resolution for the non-renewal of contracts of probationary teachers Sara Campbell, Joel Chindvall, Lucas Ebert, Michael Franson, Jean Gregory, Kelli Kaetherhenry, Rachel Kuha, Robert Larson, Jessica Lemke, Thomas Obiadzie, David Paddock, Joyce Reed, Jodi Stee, Virginia Ziegler. The motion was seconded by Member Gay, by roll call vote all members voted aye and the resolution was adopted. (Copy of resolution in official minutes book.)

9. NEW BUSINESS:

9.1 Policy 438 – First reading of the Employment and Auxiliary Volunteer Background Checks Policy #438. This policy will be further reviewed by the policy committee and placed on a future agenda for Board action.

10. COMMUNICATIONS: The School Board reviewed upcoming calendar dates and acknowledged communications.

At 9:00 p.m. Member Grafft moved, seconded by Member Gay, to recess the regular meeting to go into closed session to discuss a proposed student expulsion. The closed session convened at 9:06 p.m. with all members present. The regular meeting reconvened at 9:13 p.m. with all members present.

Member Grafft moved to Adopt the Resolution Expelling a Student. The motion was duly seconded by Member Gay, and by roll call vote all members voted aye, none voted no, and the resolution was adopted.

As there was no further business, Member Grafft moved, seconded by Member Corcoran, to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 p.m. All members voted aye and the meeting adjourned.

Bill Bresin President Rob Rapheal Clerk