The regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 831, Forest Lake, Minnesota, was called to order by Vice President Erin Turner on Thursday, August 4, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Forest Lake School District Office. At roll call the following members were present: Bill Bresin, Kathy Bystrom, Joe Grafft, Dan Kieger, Karen Morehead, Erin Turner, and Superintendent Dr. Linda Madsen, ex officio. Member Rob Rapheal was absent.

The agenda was reviewed and unchanged.

4. VISITORS:
   Listening Session: Members Bill Bresin and Karen Morehead conducted the Listening Session and reported that people came to talk about community use of facility charges and rental fees, housing the Forest Lake city museum at the Central Learning Center, 2011-12 enrollments and staffing, and busing.

5. STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT:
   Forest Lake Senior High – Senior High Principal Steve Massey gave a presentation highlighting many of the positive happenings at the senior high last year.

   Positive Happenings:
   Bill Bresin reported that former music teacher and long-time Forest Lake businessman Charlie Ollmann is being considered as a participant in next season’s TV show “The Voice”.
   Karen Morehead complimented local Masquers Theater for putting on a delightful musical “The Music Man” this summer.
   Kathy Bystrom reported that Forest Lake graduated Steven Anthony has a pivotal role as a puppeteer in the Broadway play “War Horse”. Member Bystrom also announced that the “Living on Less” event will take place at Maranantha Church on August 10th.
   Erin Turner thanked Community Education for the excellent summer sports programs that her children are participating in this year.
   Joe Grafft reminded everyone that tomorrow, August 5, is the annual Relay for Life cancer fundraiser at the senior high athletic fields.

6. REPORTS:
   City of Forest Lake – Karen Morehead reported that the city is again promoting a “Yellow Ribbon” campaign to bring awareness to and support families who have military members away from home.
Superintendent’s report – Dr. Linda Madsen introduced Randy Bergman who will be doing his Superintendent’s internship with us this year. She reported that the LILA merger bill did not pass, and the legislature repealed the January 15 teacher bargaining deadline. The Minnesota Department of Education’s budget will be cut 5% this year and 5% next year. Our ADSIS grant was approved and we will be hiring 7.5 new literary teachers and one math teacher for that program. Superintendent Madsen met with staff from both Senator Klobuchar and Senator Franken’s office to discuss education issues and concerns. She also announced that Joe Grafft has published two books. New teachers begin on August 23, the annual Chamber of Commerce lunch will be August 24 at 11:30 am at Stella’s Restaurant, all teachers return on August 29, the all-staff lunch is August 30, and school begins September 6.

7. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

Member Grafft moved to approve the following consent agenda items 7.1–7.6. The motion was seconded by Member Kieger, all members voted aye and the motion carried.

7.1 Approved the Minutes of June 30 & July 19, 2011.

7.2 Approved the Bills as of August 4, 2011.

7.3 Classified Personnel:


B. Resignation:


C. Employment:


D. Transfer:


E. Unpaid Leave of Absence:


F. Change of Hours: Delores Burnell – from 6.5 to 6 hrs./day, 37 wk., eff. Aug. 30, 2011.

G. Reduction of Hours (lay-off status):

1. Sandra Holte – to 6 hr./day, 37 wk./yr. eff. June 30, 2011.
2. Kimberly Van Keulen – to 4 hr./day, 52 wk./yr. eff. June 30, 2011.
H. Additional Position: Community Ed Early Childhood Family Outreach Specialist for 2011-12 only.

I. Additional Hours: Lawrence Damico – to 20 hr./wk, 34 wk./yr and 5 hr./wk and 8 wk./yr during the summer eff. July 11, 2011.

7.4 Licensed Personnel:

A. Non-Curricular Assignments:

B. Resignation:
   1. Trisha Becker – Resign effective immediately.
   2. Heather Davis – Resign effective immediately.
   3. Allison Eicher – Resign effective immediately.

C. Employment (effective 2011-12 school year):
   1. Ashley Erpelding – Full-time regular teaching contract.
   2. Laura Feyma – Full-time regular teaching contract.
   5. Kevin Hagen – Full-time regular teaching contract.
   7. Stephanie Mihm – Full-time regular teaching contract.
   8. Andrew Oleske – Full-time regular teaching contract.
  10. Abby Schroeder (Wenzel) – Full-time regular teaching contract.

7.5 Approved membership in Minnesota School Board Association (MSBA) for 2011-12.

8.0 Donations: Member Grafft read the list of donations and moved to accept with appreciation the following contributions and permit the use as designated by the donor. The motion was duly seconded by Member Bystrom, all members voted aye and the resolution was adopted. Donations: $750 from Kraus Anderson Co. to fix the Century Junior High floating dock; $100 snare drum and clarinet w/cases for students at Southwest Junior High from Brian & Amy Hamilton; $79.10 for Wyoming Elementary educational materials from the Dean’s Food Co. milk caps program; $100 for two magnetic boards for new teachers from Julie Anderson; $700 grant for a video conferencing unit for the Lino Lakes STEM program from TEFFLA; $300 Ipad for Columbus Elem. CDC program from TEFFLA; $250 for Columbus Elementary school
supplies and equipment from the Wal Mart Foundation; and a $363.61 long arm machine quilter for senior high quilting class from Silver Lane Quilters.

9. **OLD BUSINESS:**

9.1 Calling School Board Election – Member Bresin moved to adopt the Resolution Relating to the Election of School Board Members and Calling the School District General Election. The motion was seconded by Member Morehead, by roll call vote all members present voted aye and the motion carried. Member Rapheal was absent. (Resolution in official minutes book).

9.2 Operating Levy Renewal – Member Bresin moved to approve the Resolution Relating to Increasing the General Education Revenue of the School District and Calling an Election Thereon. The motion was seconded by Member Grafft, by roll call vote all members present voted aye and the motion carried. Member Rapheal was absent. (Resolution in official minutes book).

9.3 2011-12 School Liaisons – Member Bresin moved to keep School Board liaisons the same for 2011-12. The motion was seconded by Member Grafft, all members present voted aye and the motion carried.

9.4 Tax Levy Calendar – Member Bresin moved to approve the tax levy calendar and hold the Truth-in-Taxation Hearing at 6 pm on December 1, 2011. The motion was seconded by Member Grafft, by roll call vote all members present voted aye and the motion carried.

9.5 Retirement Incentive – Member Bresin moved to approve payment of the $20,000 retirement incentive to the two retirement incentive applicants who were previously denied. The motion was seconded by Member Grafft, by roll call vote all members voted aye and the motion carried.

9.6 Superintendent Contract for 2012-15 – Member Bresin moved to send Superintendent Madsen a written letter offering her a contract for the July, 2012 – June, 2015 time period. The motion was seconded by Member Grafft, by roll call vote all members present voted aye and the motion carried. Vice-President and presiding chair Erin Turner asked for two School Board volunteers to work with her on Dr. Madsen’s contract. Members Joe Grafft and Kathy Bystrom volunteered and will meet with Member Turner on this process.

10. **NEW BUSINESS:** None
11. COMMUNICATIONS: The School Board reviewed communications and upcoming calendar dates.

    Member Morehead has had people asking her about the School Media, Inc. advertising in the schools. Director Lawrence Martini reported that the first advertisement is expected to be placed by the end of August.

    Member Bystrom has received communications regarding the Schumacher Field issue and the use of community facilities charges. She announced that there will be a pancake breakfast on August 12th starting at 8 am at The Meadows (near Fairview Health Care Center). The proceeds from this breakfast will go to support the senior high’s “Introduction to Careers” course.

At 8:04 p.m. Member Bresin moved, seconded by Member Grafft, to recess the regular meeting to go into a closed session to discuss a student expulsion. At 8:25 p.m. Member Bresin moved to reconvene the regular meeting.

    Member Kieger moved to adopt the Resolution Expelling a Student. The motion was duly seconded by Member Grafft, and by roll call vote all members present voted aye. None voted no, and Member Rapheal was absent. The resolution was adopted. (Copy in official minutes book.)

As there was no further business, Member Bresin moved, seconded by Member Grafft, to adjourn. All members voted aye and the meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.