NORTHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS School Board Minutes

Organizational School Board Meeting January 14, 2008 Northfield High School Media Center

I. Call to Order.

The Organizational meeting of the School Board of Independent School District 659 was called to order at 7:03 PM by ex-officio member Superintendent L. Chris Richardson for the purpose of organizing the Board for the 2008 calendar year. Hager was absent.

II. Organization of the Board.

A. Individual Action Items.

1. Election of Officers.

a. Election of Board Chair.

Stratmoen moved and Cirksena seconded that Kari Nelson be nominated as Board Chair. Hearing no further nominations, Stratmoen moved and Cirksena seconded that nominations be closed. Kari Nelson was unanimously elected as Board Chair.

School Board Chair Kari Nelson then chaired the remainder of the Organizational School Board meeting.

b. Election of Vice Chair.

Smith moved and Berthelsen seconded that Noel Stratmoen be unanimously elected as Board Vice Chair. Motion carried and Noel Stratmoen was unanimously elected as Board Vice Chair.

c. Election of Clerk.

Berthelsen moved and Smith seconded that Katy Hargis be nominated as Board Clerk. Hearing no further nominations, Katy Hargis was unanimously elected as Board Clerk

d. Election of Treasurer.

Smith moved and Hargis seconded that Mike Berthelsen be nominated as Board Treasurer. Hearing no further nominations, Mike Berthelsen was unanimously elected as Board Treasurer.

2. Set Stipends of Directors and Officers.

Hargis moved and Berthelsen seconded to increase the monthly stipend of Directors and Board Chair by \$5 per month. The motion was amended to increase the monthly stipend for Directors and Board Chair to \$10 per month. Motion carried on a four to two vote. Voting 'yes' was Cirksena, Hargis, Berthelsen and Nelson. Voting 'no' was Stratmoen and Smith. The stipend for Directors for 2008 will be \$190 per month and \$250 per month for the Board Chair.

3. 2008 Committee Appointments.

Board Chair Kari Nelson reappointed Board members to the same Committee assignments as in 2007.

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- B. Items for Consent Grouping.
 On a motion by Stratmoen, seconded by Cirksena, the Board approved the following items listed under the consent grouping.
 - 1. Designated the Director of Business Affairs and Accountant Supervisor as Deputy Clerk Treasurer.
 - 2. Designated Regular Meetings of the Northfield School Board to begin at 7:00 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of each month.
 - 3. The *Northfield News* was designated as the official newspaper of the Northfield School Board.
 - 4. The School Board authorized that facsimile signatures of officers of the Board be utilized in signing school district checks and documents.
- III. On a motion by Stratmoen, seconded by Berthelsen, the Board adjourned the Organizational meeting.

Katy Hargis Clerk