

NORTHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

School Board Minutes

Organizational School Board Meeting
January 9, 2012
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 7:00 PM by ex-officio member Superintendent L. Chris Richardson for the purpose of organizing the Board for the 2012 calendar year.

II. Organization of the Board.

A. Individual Action Items.

1. Election of Officers.

a. Election of Board Chair.

Nelson moved and Pritchard seconded that Ellen Iverson be nominated as Board Chair. Hearing no further nominations, Ellen Iverson was unanimously elected as Board Chair.

Nelson spoke about Iverson's abilities and qualities that will make her an effective and excellent School Board Chair.

School Board Chair Ellen Iverson then chaired the remainder of the Organizational School Board meeting.

b. Election of Vice Chair.

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

c. Election of Clerk.

Maple moved and Nelson seconded that Noel Stratmoen be nominated as Board Clerk. Hearing no further nominations, Noel Stratmoen was unanimously elected as Board Clerk.

d. Election of Treasurer.

Pritchard moved and Quinnell seconded that Anne Maple be nominated as Board Treasurer. Hearing no further nominations, Anne Maple was unanimously elected as Board Treasurer.

3. Set Stipends of Directors and Officers.

Nelson moved and Maple seconded that the stipends for Board members be maintained at the current amount of \$190 per month for Directors and \$250 per month for the Board Chair. The motion was unanimously approved.

4. 2012 Committee Appointments.

Board Chair Ellen Iverson asked that Board members let her know if there are any committees of particular interest. She will bring to the January 23rd meeting the list of committee appointments.

B. Items for Consent Grouping.

On a motion by Maple, seconded by Stratmoen, the Board unanimously approved the following items listed under the consent grouping.

1. Designated the Director of Business Affairs (Stephanie Shawback) and Accounting Supervisor (Valori Mertesdorf) 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.

5. The 2012 mileage reimbursement rate for use of private automobiles on School District business will remain the same as the current rate of 55.5 cents per mile. This is the mileage rate established by the Internal Revenue Service.
- III. On a motion by Quinnell, seconded by Nelson, the Board adjourned the Organizational meeting at 7:10 PM.

Noel Stratmoen
Clerk