

NORTHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

School Board Minutes

October 8, 2018

Northfield High School Media Center

- I. Call to Order
Board Chair Julie Pritchard called the Regular meeting of the Northfield Board of Education of Independent School District 659 to order at 7:00 p.m. Present: Goerwitz, Hardy, Stratmoen, Quinnell, Colangelo, Iverson, and Pritchard.
- II. Agenda Changes / Table File
Table File items were added.
- III. Public Comment
No public comment.
- IV. Announcements and Recognitions
 - Welcome to Erin Bailey who has returned to work after completing her maternity leave.
 - At the Minnesota Department of Education's recent fall grantee meeting for 21st Century Community Learning Center grantees, it was announced that the Greenvale Park Community School is currently the top center in the state. There are 32 grantees across the state, operating a total of 108 centers. Thank you to the coordinators, administrators, staff, and the host of community stakeholders who work together to make this possible.
 - Welcome to Sarah Swan McDonald's Global Studies class to the School Board meeting.
- V. Items for Discussion and Reports
 - A. Technology Services Update
Kim Briske, Director of Technology Services, presented an update on the District's technology systems and its integration with student learning.
 - B. Reading Curriculum Implementation Update
Director of Teaching and Learning Mary Grace Hanson provided an update on the District's implementation of the reading curriculum from the Center for Collaborative Classroom.
- VI. Consent Agenda
On a motion by Goerwitz, seconded by Quinnell, the Board approved the following Consent Agenda items:
 - A. Minutes. Minutes of the September 24, 2018 Regular School Board meeting.
 - B. Gift Agreements.
 - \$9,450 from Greenvale Park PTO dedicated to staff for additional classroom resources as needed.
 - \$1,218.75 from St. John's Lutheran Church for Greenvale Park snack drive.
 - \$6,000 from Dakota County Technical College Foundation-Dakota Electric Association Unclaimed Credits for career and technical education.
 - C. Personnel Items
 - a) Appointments
 - 1) Janelle Perez Vazquez, Targeted Services PLUS Student Site Assistant for up to 1.5 hours/day Mon.-Thurs. at Greenvale Park, beginning 09/26/2018-05/2/2019; \$9.65/hr.
 - 2) Fall/Winter Spring Recreation Positions #2822, Effective October 1, 2018 – May 31, 2019
Ava OHara Brantner, Swim Aide \$9.90/hour, Lifeguard \$10.25/hour, Class Lead \$10.50/hour
Jan Otteson, WSI \$11.90/hour, Lifeguard \$10.90/hour
Melissa Spitzack, Building Supervisor, \$15.90/hour

Devin Walker, Flag Football \$10.00/hour

b) Increase/Decrease/Change in Assignment

1. Sonya Ehmer, Site Lead at Sibley, add Targeted Services PLUS Site Leader for up to 1.5 hours/day Mon.-Thurs. at Bridgewater, effective 11/6/2018-03/21/2019; Step 4-\$17.48/hr.
2. Richelle Kruger, Special Ed EA-PCA at the High School, add Spec Ed EA-PCA district wide for extracurricular and non-academic events determined by IEP and student participation, effective 09/28/2018-06/07/2019.
3. Diane Torbenson, RTI Coach at Greenvale Park, add Targeted Services PLUS Teacher for 1.5 hours/day for up to 4 days/wk at Greenvale Park, effective 9/26/2018-05/02/2019; Yr. 6-\$27.73/hr.
4. Arlene Tuma, ECFE EA/Sibling Care for 11 hours/wk at the NCRC, change to ECFE EA/Sibling Care for 18 hours/wk at the NCRC, effective 09/17/2018.
5. Arlene Tuma, KidVentures Site Assistant for 6 hours/wk at Greenvale Park and Sibley, change to 0 hours/wk at Greenvale Park and Sibley, effective 09/4/2018.
6. Elizabeth Valentine, Teacher at Sibley, add Targeted Services PLUS Teacher for 1.5 hours/day for up to 4 days/wk at Sibley, effective 11/06/2018-05/02/2019; Yr. 13-\$28.82/hr.
7. Charlie Alvarez, Teacher at Greenvale Park, add Targeted Services PLUS Teacher for up to 1.5 hours/day Mon.-Thurs. at Greenvale Park, effective 10/5/2018-05/02/2019; Yr. 4-\$27.73/hr.
8. Ryan Driscoll, 1.0 FTE Elementary Phy Ed Teacher at Greenvale Park, change to .937 FTE Elementary Phy Ed Teacher and .063 FTE DAPE at Greenvale Park, effective 09/04/2018.
9. Sonya Ehmer, Site Lead with Community Services, add Targeted Services PLUS Site Assistant for up to 1.5 hours/day Mon.-Thurs. at Greenvale Park, effective 10/1/2018-05/02/2019; Step 4-\$14.13/hr.
10. Marissa Gallardo, Student Site Assistant with Targeted Services, add Targeted Services PLUS Student Site Assistant for up to 1.5 hours/day Mon.-Thurs. at Greenvale Park, effective 10/5/2018-05/02/2019; \$9.65/hr.
11. Kristin G. Johnson, Teacher at Greenvale Park, add Targeted Services PLUS Teacher for up to 1.5 hours/day Mon.-Thurs. at Greenvale Park, effective 10/5/2018-05/02/2019; Yr. 2-\$27.11/hr.
12. Janet Larimore Rockne, Teacher at Bridgewater, add Targeted Services PLUS Teacher for up to 1.5 hours/day Mon.-Thurs. at Bridgewater, effective 11/6/2018-03/21/2019; Yr. 11-\$28.22/hr.
13. Gina Swenson, Teacher at Sibley, add Targeted Services PLUS Teacher for up to 1.5 hours/day Mon.-Thurs. at Sibley, effective 11/6/2018-03/21/2019; Yr. 6-\$27.73/hr.
14. Brent Yule, 1.0 FTE Elementary Phy Ed Teacher at Greenvale Park, change to .937 FTE Elementary Phy Ed Teacher and .063 FTE DAPE at Greenvale Park, effective 09/04/2018.
15. Elizabeth Ziemann, Teacher at Greenvale Park, add Targeted Services PLUS Teacher for up to 1.5 hours/day Mon.-Thurs. at Greenvale Park, effective 10/5/2018-05/02/2019; Yr. 2-\$27.11/hr.

c) Leave of Absence

1. Anna Kelly EA at Greenvale Park, unpaid Leave of Absence effective 01/02/2019-04/26/2019.
2. Sheila Hetzel, Teacher at Greenvale Park, Family/Medical Leave for Childcare, effective on or about 01/30/2019 for 12 work weeks.

d) Retirements/Resignations/Terminations

1. Jordan Bartholomew, declined position to volunteer with Community Services, effective 9/3/2018.
2. Shiloh Goodwin, declined position to volunteer with Community Services, effective 9/3/2018.
3. Vernon Green, declined position to volunteer with Community Services, effective 9/19/2018.
4. Ethan Johnson, declined position to volunteer with Community Services, effective 9/24/2018.
5. Fletcher Metz, declined position to volunteer with Community Services, effective 9/19/2018.
6. Eric Stadelman, declined position to volunteer with Community Services, effective 9/19/2018.
7. Colin Stark-Bandy, declined position to volunteer with Community Services, effective 9/24/2018.
8. Lacy Knutson Special Ed EA-PCA at the Middle School, resignation effective 10/17/2018.
9. Deb Wagner, Special Ed EA at the Middle School, resignation effective 10/18/2018.

* Conditional offers of employment are subject to successful completion of a criminal background check and Prework screening (if applicable)

VII. Superintendent's Report

A. Items for Individual Action

1. Lease Agreement with Farmington Gymnastics Club.

On a motion by Hardy, seconded by Colangelo, the Board approved the lease agreement with Farmington Gymnastics Club as presented.

VIII. Items for Information

A. Enrollment Reports. September and October 2018.

B. Bond Referendum Update. Dr. Hillmann provided an update on preparations for the November 6, 2018 referendum. Dr. Hillmann and members of the Board have presented bond referendum information to numerous groups and at various community meetings. Site teams are providing information at specific events happening at their buildings. Two of the public presentations and tours at Greenvale Park Elementary have been completed and presentations are scheduled October 13 and October 29. The bond referendum brochure was mailed, and we have informational banners posted on school property, pop-up posters at each building, window stickers on doors, and buttons available.

C. School Safety Grants Update. Dr. Hillmann informed the Board that Northfield Public Schools did not receive grant money from the State of Minnesota.

IX. Future Meetings

A. Monday, October 22, 2018, 7:00 PM, Regular Board Meeting, NHS Media Center

B. Tuesday, November 13, 2018, 7:00 PM, Regular Board Meeting, NHS Media Center

C. Monday, November 26, 2018, 7:00 PM, Regular Board Meeting, NHS Media Center

X. Adjournment

On a motion by Stratmoen, seconded by Goerwitz, the Board adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

Noel Stratmoen
School Board Clerk