

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF CAMBRIDGE - School Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 15, 2011 – 6:00 p.m. - Cambridge High School Library**

CALL TO ORDER. Board of Education President, Joe Pleshek called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present: Tracy Smithback-Travis, Glenn Bolt, Tim Krueger and Peg Sullivan. Absent: Phil Adas. Greg Engelstad arrived late.

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM. None.

PROOF OF POSTING. Provided.

ADMINISTRATIVE/COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Board Policy Committee. Tim Krueger reported on the August Policy Committee Meeting Board Meeting.

Board Finance Committee. Glenn Bolt reported for Committee Chair, Phil reported on the August Finance Committee Meeting.

Board Communications Committee. No meeting, no report. Meeting scheduled for Monday, August 29.

Board Severson Learning Center Committee. Committee Chair, Tracy Smithback-Travis reported on the August SLC Committee Meeting.

Administrative Reports. Bernie Nikolay, District Administrator provided for the Board an update on several items.

Cambridge Blue Jay Good News Jar. The Good News Jar will return at the September meeting.

PTO Board Presentation Report. P.T.O. Board Representative, Missy Brown reported on the recent donation to the District of \$4,000 for the CES sign project.

PUBLIC COMMENTS. Community Member, Stanley Lien shared concerns relative to the District's dress code and the Historic School.

ITEMS FOR ACTION.

Consent Agenda. Motion made by Tracy Smithback-Travis, second by Tim Krueger to move to approve consent agenda as presented. Motion carried, consent agenda approved.

Approval of Past Meeting Minutes. As presented from the July B.O.E. meeting(s).

Treasurer's Report and Presentation of Monthly Vouchers. Previous month's reported and vouchers as presented.

Gifts & Donations. As presented.

Staffing Report. As presented.

Revisions to Policy 411.2 Harassment/Bullying – Final Read. Motion made by Tracy Smithback-Travis, second by Tim Krueger to move to approve the revisions to Policy 411.2 as presented. Motion carried, revisions approved.

Revisions to Policy 420 School Admissions – Final Read. Motion made by Tim Krueger, second by Tracy Smithback-Travis to move to approve the revisions to Policy #420 as presented. Motion carried, revisions approved.

New Policy 653 Gate Receipts and Admissions – First and Final Reading. Motion made by Tim Krueger, second by Peg Sullivan, to move to approve Policy #653 as presented. Tim reported on the policy out of the Policy Committee. This policy will help families be able to attend all athletic events.

Board recommended revisiting in May or June or 2012 to adjust rate and/or process as necessary. Motion carried, Policy #653 approved as presented.

Gifted and Talented Overnight Field Trip Request to Fine Arts Weekend at American Players Theatre in Spring Green, September 16 and 17 – Sharon Daly. Motion made by Tim Krueger, second by Peg Sullivan to move to approve the trip request as presented. Motion carried, trip request approved.

2011-2012 Bread Bids. Motion made by Tracy Smithback- Travis, second by Greg Engelstad to move to approve the bread bid as recommended. Motion carried, bread bid approved.

Request Approval to Replace Existing Sign at Cambridge Elementary School. Motion made by Greg Engelstad, second by Glenn Bolt to move to approve replacement of the sign at CES. Motion carried, sign replacement approved.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION.

2011-2012 FFA Conference and Conventions Trip Requests – Emily Green/Bob Rosen. Emily Green provided for the Board of Education an outline off all FFA trip plans for the 2011-2012 school year. Board to consider this a first read. Emily will bring forward each trip as planned as a second read with all details.

Policy 353.1 School Volunteers – Possible First Read. Policy Committee recommending approval for tonight by the Board, after review at the Committee level. Motion made by Tim Krueger, second by Tracy Smithback-Travis to move to adopt Policy 353.1 as presented. Motion carried, policy approved as presented.

Policy 353.11 Volunteer Co-Curricular/Advisors – Possible First Read. Policy Committee recommending approval for tonight by the Board, after review at the Committee level. Motion made by Tim Krueger, second by Tracy Smithback-Travis to move to adopt Policy 353.11 as presented. Motion carried, policy approved as presented.

District Grievance Procedure and Staff Handbook Requirements. Superintendent Nikolay reviewed with Board. Looking to have in place by October 1 for Administration and Support Staff. Will not be in place for the Cambridge Education Association until the next bargaining agreement term. All terms subject to Act 10. Final read at the September B.O.E. meeting. Board discussed the need to “define” impartial hearing officer (recommendation: non-connected attorney).

FUTURE MEETING DATES. Board discussed meeting with Kit Dalley, Consultant/Architectural firm, along with Administration. Dates on table, Board to advise availability. B.O.E. retreat scheduled for Tuesday, August 30 @ 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT. Motion made by Tracy Smithback-Travis, second by Tim Krueger to move to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7: 23 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Mary Kay Raether, Recorder.

Remanded to Board of Education for approval as presented or with changes as noted, on Monday, September 19, 2011. _____