

**School Board Work Session  
Independent School District No. 2805  
Tuesday, November 13, 2018**

Site: Zumbrota-Mazeppa District Office Conference Room, Mazeppa, Minnesota.

Members present: Ms. Hinchley, Ms. Roth, Mr. Wendt, Mr. Lohmann.

Also present: Mr. Harvey; Mr. Niles; and Board Clerk's Secretary, Brenda Windhorst.

Absent: Ms. Bredehoft.

The work session was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Chair Hinchley.

Lohmann/Roth motion to consider changes to the agenda by removing review of the paraprofessional agreement under items for discussion.

Motion carried 4:0. Bredehoft absent.

Wendt/Roth motion to adopt the changes to the work session agenda.

Motion carried 4:0. Bredehoft absent.

Wendt/Hinchley motion to accept the resignation of board member, Dirk Niles, as he has moved out of the school district boundaries. He was thanked for his years of service.

Motion carried 4:0. Bredehoft absent.

Hinchley/Roth motion to appoint Jason Lohmann as treasurer.

Motion carried 4:0. Bredehoft absent.

Wendy Ahern, SPED Director/Assistant Principal, presented information on staffing needs for the district. She recommended that a full-time special education teacher be hired as the student load has increased since the beginning of the school year. The board agreed to the increase and will officially approve the addition at the November 26 meeting. She was given permission to have the position posted immediately as special education teachers are hard to find.

She also reviewed Policy #50 Caseload Size in Special Education. ZM has an older version of the policy and it should be updated to reflect the most recent updates. This policy will be revised and presented for board approval November 26.

Wendt/Lohmann motion to accept applications for the vacant school board position until noon on Monday, November 26, 2018. Applications will be reviewed, and a candidate approved, at the November 26 meeting. This interim position will run from January 7, 2019 until the special school board election in 2019.

Motion carried 4:0. Bredehoft absent.

Hinchley/Lohmann motion to approve the nomination of Jean Roth to the Southeast Service Cooperative board of directors.

Motion carried 4:0. Bredehoft absent.

Nexus Solutions gave a presentation on the proposed facilities updates. The facilities task force will have two meetings in December in an effort to move forward on the project.

Items for discussion included out of state student travel, credit card fees, the VFW scholarship fund changes, information on restricted parking on the north side of Chestnut Street in Mazeppa, safe routes to school planning, and the use of the school as a storm shelter.

Board policies for review included #503 Attendance, #509 Enrollment of Nonresident Students; #529 Staff Notification of Violent Behavior by Students; #530 Immunization Requirements; #601 School District Curriculum Instruction Goals; #603 Curriculum Development; #612.1 Development of Parental Involvement Policies for Title I Programs; #616 School District System Accountability; and #620 Credit for Learning.

Lohmann/Wendt motion to adjourn the work session at 9:28 p.m.

Motion carried 4:0.

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Angie Bredehoft, Clerk