

Regional School Unit 78
School Board Meeting Minutes
March 27, 2018
Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.
RLRS – MPR

Brian Delutio	X	Jennifer Farmer	X
Joanne Chapman	X	Nancy Hilliard	X
Amber Haley	X	Rick Walker	X
Colleen Koob	X	Martha VanderWolk	X
Beth Eastlack	-	Paul Reynolds	X
Kathleen Catrini	X	Clare Webber	X
Lauren Farmer, Student	-		

Quorum:

1. Call to Order - 6:02
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Adjustments to the Agenda - one item on agenda only
4. Public Comments - none
5. Chair, Superintendent, Principal and Student Representative Comments - none
6. Discussion: Proposed FY 2018-2019 Budget
 - 6.1 Finance Committee Chair/Superintendent
 BR - introduction was done last week - How should we present this to the various communities?
 Budget is tight - if you take of the bond package - only an increase of 2.6%
 - 6.2 Board Questions/Answers
 B. Delutio - ? about gifted and talented decrease in budget - still be covered, just distributed differently.
 K. Catrini - concerned about the expense of Special Ed - are there different categories and can it be broken down?
 B. Richards - it would be very difficult –
 M. Vanderwolk - also can't get into personalization.
 R. Walker - kids come and kids go - we try and project what will be needed.
 P. Reynolds - can we ask the state for funds related to special ed population.
 B. Richards - email received from MSMA(?) related to the challenge of budgeting for special education.

Haley - article 9 - the portable is it paid for - no - 2 more years - will it be used as a classroom? Yes - ½ will be used as a classroom.

B. Richards - the initial use was to have it become more of a storage perspective - due to special needs population - it will still be used as a classroom. Currently Spanish is in the portable

C. Koob - ski team comparison - community members would like to understand why all expenses are not covered by the school.

B. Richards - quasi school and outside of school activities. The coach and the Athletic Director did meet in the fall to discuss the training and meet schedule. The training schedule did exceed the agreed upon number.

H. Deery - it was left up to the coach as to how to spend the funds allotted.

A. Haley - what is considered a team –

H. Deery 6 –

B. Richards - non championship meets - you have to ski at least 6 runs - then if the team goes to Kent's Hill.

P. Reynolds - the staff should be bringing the board the information. It is not a Board decision - we should staff should come to the Board with what they propose.

P. Reynolds - can we mix with another school to have a ski team.

M. VanderWolk. the staff needs to come to the budget process.

B. Richards - comfortable with the \$6000 allotted for the 18/19 budget. Will have to discuss this with the AD and look into other legal / liability issue.

H. Deery - Skiing only has Class A and Class B - unsure as to why - we will be in Class B - once we have a Varsity team - we will be the smallest team

B. Richards - we will keep the \$6000 - for a Varsity Ski team - AD has sent a survey to other school districts to assess the funds they are spending for their ski team

Ski Tuesday - proposal from F. Philbrick - handout

C. Koob - not realistic without Saddleback - the kids would have to not go to school on Tuesday.

H. Deery - need to find volunteers - it became more difficult to do without the staff assisting with skiing with the professional development needs of the staff. It may be able to work if it became a rec program where kids signed up and went on a bus - that is something that could work - but outside of school.

P. Reynolds - usually go on a Friday - through a rec program. If parents want to have their kids ski, this should be a rec program. This doesn't work through the school without Saddleback.

M. Vanderwolk - Megalaway used to pay for their kids to do ski Tuesday

This is a wonderful thing for our children - but that without Saddleback the school cannot propose a solution - the suggestion is for the Rec Program to consider this proposal.

6.3 Other

7. Adjournment: Motion C. Koob, seconded by J. Farmer - 6:47

Next regular scheduled meeting, April 10, 2018 at 6:00 PM