

**SAD #8 School Board Monthly Meeting  
December 15th, 2011  
Middle School Science Room**

6:15 Board meets to review and sign warrants

6:45 Board business meeting

1. Call to order. @ 6:30 pm
2. Approval of minutes of previous meetings. (several- see attached ) **Motion to approve the minutes of August 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>, September 8<sup>th</sup>, October 12<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> Joe Bickford, Second Bruce Phillip 5Y**
3. Communications. – **A Letter from MSMA**
4. Approval of agenda. - **Motion to approve the agenda as amended , eliminate 7b – IGA first reading, Insert Approval of assistant coaches, Move 7d to first place to be considered Joe Bickford, Second Laura Lazaro 5Y**
5. Questions and comments from the public. - **None**
6. School Leader's report – **Robb is away and posted the School Leaders report to the School Board conference for all to read. Thanks from the Board for that.**
7. New Business

d. Discussion: Excused absences (“A planned absence for a personal or educational purpose that has been approved”) - **The Board would like to see a copy of the old, old policy regarding excused absences.**

**A discussion took place regarding students being dismissed during the school day to attend games as spectators. Discussion took place regarding being “academically” unexcused or perhaps creating a limited number of student personal days. A suggestion was made to solicit input into what our absence policy should be. Also a suggestion was made about an excused absence policy based on grades.**

a. Audit review and results – **Discussion & questions regarding Fund Balance and Budget to Actual Variances, a written Internal Control Procedure, Including an MD & A letter in next years audit report.**

**Supt Collins would like to have a 12/31 YTD report by 1/15/11.**

**A question was asked about the remaining school construction money that we are still waiting for the results of the school construction audit to close out.**

**Approval of Assistant Coaches – Sam Bickford – Head Coach 5/6 girls, Wanda Davis –Oakes – assistant, Chris Radley – asst coach 5/6 boys, Brian Osgood – Asst coach 7/8 boys. Motion to accept coaches as presented Joe Bickford, Second Laura Lazaro 5Y**

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- b. Policy IGA First Reading – **removed from Agenda**
  - c. Pricing for basketball game tickets **Varsity Basketball game tickets will increase in price to \$2:00 & \$4:00 effective 12-28-11**
8. Old Business:
- a. Class Trip update and Board vote – **Motion to approve the Class of 2012 Senor Class Trip to Puerto Rico Joe Bickford, Second Laura Lazaro 5Y Suggested Chaperones are Bryan Feezor & Rachel Noyes**
  - b. Long-term substitute contract approval- special education and science **Motion to approve Norma Jean Senecahl as the Long Term SPED Substitute Joe Bickford & Laura Lazaro 5Y**
- Motion to approve Albert White as the Long Term Substitute for HS Science Joe Bickford , Second Laura Lazaro 5Y**
9. Reports
- a. Superintendent's report:- **Sue Dempster has been filing in in Pre-K since September. Sue will be talking at the January meeting about her persectives on Pre-K and the impact of her doing Pre-K on the Library.**
- We are also waiting on the CDS approval letter. The 4-1-11 enrollment numbers will include Pre-K. Pre-K is from 9-12 T, W, TH.**
- Supt Collins presented the Facilites Management Plan presented by Supt George Joseph. It will cost \$2500. DOE, Alan, Kathy & Lew will work with George to put together the entire program.**
- Flooring Repairs – Alan will fix the flooring under the wash window.**
- Lew will present a time table for the budget cycle at the January.**
- Lew is going to follow up on looking in to a request to open the teachers contract.**
- Motion to adjourn @ 7:55 pm and enter executive session.  
Joe Bickford, Laura Lazaro 5Y**
10. Executive Session to discuss Superintendent Evaluation per 405 (G) (A)
11. Adjournment: **Chair Shane declared the Board out of Executive session at 8:30 pm and no action was taken after the session ended.**

