

Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of April 23, 2002.

MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Thao, seconded by Mr. Brodrick, that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education of April 23, 2002 be approved.

The motion carried with the roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Thao	-	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	-	Yes
Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Conlon	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

V. RECOGNITIONS

B.F. 25089 Recognition of Lily Moua, senior at Arlington High School and recipient of the '2002 Beat the Odds' Award

Gene Janicke, Area Superintendent D, introduced Margo Mann-Lanier, Assistant Principal of Arlington High School who brought forward Mr. Jim Koppel, Director of the Children's Defense Fund to present the Beat the Odds Award to Lily Moua, senior at Arlington. Mr. Koppel noted that the Children's Defense Fund has an annual banquet where 5 high school students are honored and presented with scholarships. Lily Moua represented St. Paul. Mr. Koppel reviewed the criteria for the award and commended Lily for her success in beating the odds in her life. He introduced Lily who spoke of her high regard for Arlington High School and its staff. She listed some of the awards she has been awarded and some projects she has initiated at the school for Hmong parents and students, and said that without the school's support this would not have happened. Ms. Mann-Lanier presented Lily with a Certificate of Recognition for raising expectations in Saint Paul schools and for receiving this award. Dr. Harvey added her congratulations, along with the Board members.

MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Thao, seconded by Mr. Conlon, that the Board of Education recognize and congratulate Lily Moua, recipient of the Children's Defense Fund Minnesota, 2002 Beat the Odds Award.

The motion carried with the roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Thao	-	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	-	Yes
Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Conlon	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

B.F. 25090 Recognition of Linwood A+ for Outstanding Achievement in the Arts Education

Superintendent Harvey called upon Joann Knuth, Area Superintendent C, to present this recognition. Ms. Knuth introduced Mary Harty, principal of Linwood A+ and Rene Altman, co-chair of the parent PTO. Ms. Knuth noted that this is a recognition of Linwood A+ Elementary school for outstanding achievement in arts education which comes from the Creative Ticket School of Excellence Award. She listed the criteria required to be a recipient of this award and gave an overview of the arts infused education at Linwood which is a nationally recognized program. Ms. Knuth presented a plaque to Ms. Harty from the Kennedy Center

Alliance for Arts Education Network in conjunction with Minnesota Alliance for Arts in Education.

Ms. Altman acknowledged Linwood as an excellent school in arts education and Ms. Harty added comments. She noted that the arts should be a district-wide program so that all children have access to this most important program that can transform education and the lives of all.

MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Thao, seconded by Ms. Carter, that the Board of Education recognize and congratulate Linwood A+ on their selection for the Creative Ticket School of Excellence Award for Outstanding Achievement in Arts Education 2001-2002, presented by the Kennedy Center Alliance for Arts Education Network in conjunction with Minnesota Alliance for Arts in Education.

The motion carried with the roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Thao	-	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	-	Yes
Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Conlon	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

B.F. 25091 Recognition of Medtronic, Inc. for Support of Inquiry Science

Dr. Harvey commented that the Saint Paul Public Schools are supported by many partnerships in education – one of which is Medtronic, Inc. She introduced Renie Willard, Director of Curriculum, who noted that Medtronic, Inc. has provided over \$400,000 over the past few years for St. Paul science through district-wide programs and school based programs. These funds have provided the opportunity for the professional development of teachers and materials for science. Ms. Willard presented a certificate of recognition to Kay O’Keefe, representative of Medtronic, Inc. for the continued support of science in Saint Paul Public Schools.

Ms. O’Keefe presented a check to Ms. Willard in the amount of \$103,000 for the improvement of science in the Saint Paul Public Schools. This is provided because of the work that has been done in the last few years for the development of teachers. She congratulated staff for their outstanding work.

MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Thao, seconded by Mr. Brodrick, that the Board of Education recognize and thank Medtronic, Inc. for its commitment, generosity and support of science in Saint Paul Public Schools.

The motion carried with the roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Thao	-	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	-	Yes
Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Conlon	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

B.F. 25092 Recognition of Highwood Hills Elementary School for being awarded the ComputerWorld’s Search for Heroes Award

Joann Knuth, Area Superintendent C, reviewed the award and noted that out of 1200 nominated candidates, this honor was awarded to only 300 of the leading technology users across all avenues of business, education and society. As one of the award winners, Highwood Hills’ story will be archived in the Smithsonian Institute Permanent Research Collection. Ms. Knuth presented the Certificate of Recognition to Highwood Hills’ principal Pat Rosenbaum. Ms. Rosenbaum reviewed the program at Highwood Hills and noted that each student has a laptop computer and spends about 120 minutes a day on computerized lessons

in math, reading and writing which provides immediate feed back for staff so that appropriate instruction can be given in response. Ms. Rosenbaum gave thanks for this recognition, thanked the staff for their participation and hard work, and received the congratulations of the Board and Superintendent.

MOTION: It was moved by Ms. Carter, seconded by Mr. Brodrick, that the Board of Education recognize and congratulate Highwood Hills Elementary School staff and their community partner Discourse Technologies, Inc. for receiving ComputerWorld's Search for Heroes Award.

The motion carried with the roll call vote as follows:

Ms. Street-Stewart	-	Yes
Mr. Thao	-	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	-	Yes
Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Conlon	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

VI. PROGRAM UPDATES

B.F. 25093 Recognition of the twenty-six participants who were selected to participate in the District's 2002-2003 Leadership Institute

Dr. Harvey stated that preparing individuals for the principalship is one of the most important things the district does, and explained in detail some of the many issues principals face each day. She added comments on the importance of the principalship, and noted one advantage - it will enable them to follow students all through their years in their buildings, unlike having students for one year. The Cohort instruction, in the past Cohort I and II, transformed individuals into 'teams' which enables them to draw upon each other for encouragement, collaboration and advice. She added this will also happen to Cohort III. Dr. Harvey introduced Nancy Katzmarek, Director, Leadership Programs. Dr. Katzmarek thanked Dr. Harvey for her vision of creating a Leadership Institute in Saint Paul three years ago, to have an investment in our administrators, which has created an on-going legacy for Saint Paul. She then asked the Cohort III group to come forward, introduce themselves, and give a short comment on what individual passion they will be bringing to the institute.

MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Thao, seconded by Mr. Conlon, that the Board of Education recognize and congratulate: Omeyefe Agbamu, Todd Bartholomay, Theresa Battle, Teresa Ciccarelli, Mary Conlin-Warner, Duane Dutrieuille, Deanne Edwards, Steven Egyhazi, Lynn Gallandat, Craig Guidry, Kim Hwang, Kay Insley, Cleve Lee Jobe, Mark Krois, Choua Eve Lee, Toni Lofgren, F. Michael McCollor, Daniel Mesick, Christine Osorio, Rosemary Pererson, Daniel Sager, Tamara Schultz, Maureen Seibert, Mary Weyandt, Ricky White and Choua Yang for being selected for the 2002-2003 Leadership Institute.

The motion carried with the roll call vote as follows:

Ms. Street-Stewart	-	Yes
Mr. Thao	-	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	-	Yes
Ms. Carroll	-	Yes
Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Conlon	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

Mr. Thad added his comments about the importance of having a great leader as a principal. He related, as a part of the Board's recent trip to New York to look at small learning communities,

that he met a principal who had turned around his school, the Fredrick Douglas Academy, and how impressed he was with the school and students. He also added his congratulations to Lily Moua. Her success is, in part, due to the excellent principal and teachers at Arlington. She is a tremendous role model for new Americans.

Mr. Conlon noted that two other schools were visited in New York, one with 4 small learning communities and the other with 6. These successful programs all required the need for creative ideas and new leadership. He added that there are great opportunities available in Saint Paul and that the Board is supportive of the Leadership Institute in this endeavor.

Ms. Carroll stated that the leadership talent of this group is remarkable and thanked them for continuing to be involved in the Saint Paul schools.

As a follow-up note, Mr. Oertwig added that the trip to New York taken by Board members was funded by the Gates Foundation – Center for School Change - and Board members were their guests to personally view what specific schools have done with smaller learning communities. He added that principals and staff do make a difference, and he is grateful for the leadership this group will bring to the district.

**VII. INFORMATION REQUESTS AND RESPONSES
ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

None

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Meeting of April 29, 2002

Mr. Oertwig noted that this meeting had three items on the agenda: 1) Charter School Reviews, 2) Transportation Resolution, and 3) Work Session.

1. Charter School Reviews Mr. Conlon chaired the Charter School Review item and stated three charter schools were reviewed. 1) Twin Cities Academy, 2) New Spirit Charter School, and 3) Face to Face Academy. Mr. Conlon noted that the Review Team gave a report on their findings and the criteria used for renewing contracts.

Twin Cities Academy

Mr. Conlon noted the review team has indicated this school has a good instructional program. Some concerns listed in the review included the need to increase diversity in the student body, academic results and testing issues.

Motion Recommended by Committee: That the Board of Education approve the continuation of its sponsorship of the Twin Cities Academy Charter School.

The motion carried with the roll call vote as follows:

Ms. Street-Stewart	-	Yes
Mr. Thao	-	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	-	Yes
Ms. Carroll	-	Yes
Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Conlon	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

New Spirit Charter School

Mr. Conlon reported that last year there was a concern of lack of communication between parents and staff. This year progress has been made in this area and a recommendation was made to

renew for an additional two years. Some concerns were voiced and it was suggested that a written report be given to the board to show some of the updates and progress in those specific areas.

Motion Recommended by Committee: That the Board of Education approve the continued sponsorship of the New Spirit Charter School for 2002-2003 and 2003-2004 with the understanding that another review will occur by Spring 2003 focusing only on the outstanding challenges, concerns and further suggestions included in the March, 2002 report.

Mr. Conlon raised the question of bonding. He stated that the school is in the process of obtaining bonding so it will have financial stability and asked if this language would limit that opportunity or create a potential problem in getting bonds. Tanya Pekel, Executive Assistant, reported she had a conversation with Mike Ricci prior to his submitting the minutes of the committee meeting which contained the motion, to the bonding agency. Mr. Conlon commented that the assumption was that the language did not pose a problem, but in the event some dispute comes to the Board's attention in the future, it will be looked at again.

The motion carried with the roll call vote as follows:

Ms. Street-Stewart	-	Yes
Mr. Thao	-	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	-	Yes
Ms. Carroll	-	Yes
Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Conlon	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

Face to Face Academy

Mr. Conlon stated that this school on the east side of St. Paul, with less than 50 students, is dealing with some critical financial issues along with handling the social-emotional needs of the students. The Review Team's findings indicate it has created an excellent niche for learners who have not performed well in other learning environments, but raised concerns about its financial ability to continue. The following motion was made:

Motion Recommended by Committee: That the Board of Education continue its sponsorship of Face to Face Academy. This unique program addresses the students' social-emotional needs very well while it struggles to meet the extremely wide-ranging academic needs of these learners. The program needs to address budget issues, and explore programming options to determine how it can be financially viable.

The motion carried with the roll call vote as follows:

Ms. Street-Stewart	-	Yes
Mr. Thao	-	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	-	Yes
Ms. Carroll	-	Yes
Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Conlon	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

2. Transportation Resolution (B.F. 25094)

Mr. Oertwig reported that the service workers union has some concerns about rights to organize, with the bus companies, and they have expressed some of those concerns to the Board. This item was previously dealt with at a Board Meeting and it was referred back to this committee for further work. Several Board members and the legal counsel worked on a resolution that would be workable. It was noted that the resolution submitted did not accomplish everything the service

workers wanted, but a commitment was made to look at this issue further. Mr. Oertwig read the resolution that was adopted in committee and this language is inserted in the resolution that is attached to these minutes.

Mr. Conlon noted that the Board was following the law, not taking a side – pro or con – and that the Board would be made aware if there was a dispute. Mr. Oertwig said that the National Labor Relations Board is responsible for the enforcement of labor laws and they are asking for our assistance in that effort and we are agreeing to look at those issues.

Motion Recommended by Committee: It was moved by Mr. Oertwig, seconded by Mr. Thao, that the Board of Education approve the Transportation Resolution, as attached to these minutes.

The motion carried with the roll call vote as follows:

Ms. Street-Stewart	-	Yes
Mr. Thao	-	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	-	Yes
Ms. Carroll	-	Yes
Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Conlon	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

3. Work Session Items discussed were the May 13th meeting schedule for Board members, the Pledge of Allegiance notes have been sent out, and the status of the list of requests made at the March 27, 2002 Committee of the Board meeting.

Meeting of May 7, 2002

Mr. Oertwig stated that there were four issues on the agenda: 1) Farnsworth Name Change, 2) Arts Plan, 3) Internal Audit, and 4) Work Session.

1. Mr. Brodrick chaired the item of Farnsworth Name Change. He reported that Dr. Harvey commended Farnsworth School, staff and community on their decision to change the school name from Farnsworth Outcome-Based Education Magnet to Farnsworth Aerospace Magnet School to reflect the inclusion of aerospace technology in their instructional practices. Principal Troy Vincent and two members of the site council were present to document that this change has been in the process for over two years and has received the support of staff and community.

Motion Recommended by Committee: That the Board of Education approve the name change for Farnsworth Aerospace Magnet School.

The motion carried with the roll call vote as follows:

Ms. Street-Stewart	-	Yes
Mr. Thao	-	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	-	Yes
Ms. Carroll	-	Yes
Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Conlon	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

2. Arts Plan

Ms. Carter chaired this portion of the meeting. Ms. Carter stated that this is a follow-up meeting after the “Arts For All” presentation at the Board meeting by members of the committee and Renie Willard, Director of Curriculum. Dr. Harvey gave background information on the planning process that was started three years ago about the importance of arts in our schools.

A discussion was held where Ms. Margaret Haase, who represented the committee, asked what the task force can do for the district, now that the Plan has been completed. Dr. Harvey welcomed the task force to remain in place to help us look forward to challenges, possibilities and opportunities in which the arts can continue to enrich the district. Further discussion was held and it was suggested that a future meeting be held to discuss how to move forward.

3. Internal Audit (Discussion)

Mr. Oertwig noted that this issue was a part of the budget discussion because it is related to a position reduction and no action was required. The intent was for the Board to have an opportunity to become more familiar with this issue. He commented that a number of the finance staff were present, positions under the leadership of Lois Rockney, Executive Director of Business and Financial Affairs. Ms. Rockney gave an overview of the job responsibilities of the Internal Auditor position and listed seven measures that are being taken to ensure these responsibilities are being completed. Mr. Oertwig stated that difficult choices are being made in our district and noted that the Internal Auditor position has also been eliminated in Minneapolis. Ms. Rockney noted that the auditing firm of KPMG will continue to monitor this issue and provide information for our staff.

4. Work Session

1. Changes in the School Calendar for 2002-2003
2. Transportation Schedule for 2002-2003
3. Following up on committee members' requests

Meeting of May 13, 2002

Mr. Thao reported the item on this agenda was the Non-General Fund Budgets. He noted that this was a joint meeting with the CBFAC members and was a discussion item, with no action taken. The following non-general fund budgets were presented:

Food Service Jean Ronnei, Director, Food Service and Patrick Quinn, Executive Director, School Services, made the presentation. They noted that the cost of a school lunch will see an increase of \$.15, but according to a comparison of similar districts, Saint Paul is still at the lower end. Also, because the district has become so diverse, administration is reviewing some issues concerning ingredients used in the food served.

Community Service

Terilyn Turner, Area Superintendent E, reviewed the revenue and expenditures of all the programs under Community Education and concluded that some programs will come to an end of their funding cycle and would probably not be re-funded.

Community Service Fully Financed

The fully financed budgets were established to deal with state, federal and private grants for community purposes. There are currently five programs: 21st Century Grant – (Pathways to Progress); Center for Employment and Training Minnesota Family Investment Program; Non-Public Services – (Guidance); Non-Public Services – (Textbooks); and Child Care.

Building Construction

Mr. Quinn reviewed the purpose of the building construction fund that provides for projects funded from the sale of general obligation bonds for the alternative bond and capital bond programs. He discussed the number of bonds sold last year and what the district plans to sell this year.

Debt Service

Ms. Rockney presented information on the retirement of long-term debt. A concern was raised that the district continues to issue alternative bonds.

Transportation

Kent Pekel, Executive Director, Strategic Planning & Implementation made the presentation and talked about the bus routes and the bidding process, the elimination of 1 to 2 mile secondary transportation, adjusting school start times, revising designated areas for extraordinary traffic hazards transportation, eliminating bus passes for after school athletic activities, eliminating bus aide training payroll expense and Transportation Department bus safety classes. Mr. Pekel talked about the efficiency of the Transportation Department over the years that generated

revenue to support classroom services. Members of the Citizens' Budget and Finance Advisory Committee raised questions and concerns about the above listed issues. Mr. Oertwig commented that on the 29th of May a staff presentation will be made on the General Fund Budget and then in June the CBFAC will consider their recommendations to the district on the budget and by June 25th we expect to have a budget adopted for next year. He added that it will take \$20 million more than we have available to continue this year's program next year, and that this is a difficult process to complete.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Conlon, seconded by Ms. Carroll, that items 1 through 29, be approved, with the deletion of No 18, the addition of No. 29, and No. 20 being pulled for separate consideration.

The motion carried with the roll call vote as follows:

Ms. Street-Stewart	-	Yes
Mr. Thao	-	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	-	Yes
Ms. Carroll	-	Yes
Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Conlon	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

The Approved Consent Agenda Items Follow:

B.F. 25095 **Request for Permission to Accept a Grant Award from the Lake Elmo Jaycees**
That the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent (designee) to accept a grant award from the Lake Elmo Jaycees for Community Education for an intergenerational summer day camp; and to implement the project as specified in the award documents.

B.F. 25096 **School Improvement Plans for Improving America's School Act (IASA) Title I**
That the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent (designee) to submit School Continuous Improvement Plans and applications for funding to the Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning to fulfill Title I, School Improvement requirements under the improving America's Schools Act (IASA) for Phalen Lake Elementary and Webster Magnet School for the 2001-2003 school years, and if awarded to accept such funds.

B.F. 25097 **Request for Permission to Submit Applications for Minnesota State Arts Board Artist Residency Grants**
That the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent (designee) to submit applications to the Minnesota State Arts Board for artist residency projects at James J. Hill Montessori Magnet, Linwood A+ School, Roosevelt, and Webster Enrichment Magnet; to accept funds, if awarded; and to implement the projects as specified in the award documents.

B.F. 25098 **Request for Permission to Submit Applications for National Education Association (NEA) Grants**
That the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent (designee) to submit grant applications to the National Education Association National Foundation for the Improvement of Education to support staff teams to develop and implement innovative classroom projects that result in high student achievement at Central High School, Fresh Force, Mississippi Magnet, and Saturn/Riverfront; to accept funds, if awarded, and to implement the projects as specified in the award documents.

B.F. 25099 **Application for ESEA, No Child Left Behind Title I, Title II, and Title V Funds**
That the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent (designee) to submit to the Minnesota

Department of Children, Families and Learning to fulfill Title I, II, and V funds under the ESEA, No Child Left Behind for the 2002-2003 school years, and if awarded to accept such funds.

B.F. 25100 Request for Permission to Participate in Accepting a Grant Award from the Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning for a Junior Achievement Grant

That the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent (designee) to participate in accepting a grant award from the Minnesota Department of Children, Families, and Learning to Junior Achievement for career awareness activities in the district; and to implement the project as specified in the award documents.

B.F. 25101 Request for Permission to Submit Applications to the Neighborhood STAR Small Grant Program to the City of St. Paul

That the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent (designee) to submit an application to the City of St. Paul for a Neighborhood STAR Small Grant at Parkway Elementary; to accept funds, if awarded; and to implement the projects as specified in the award documents.

B.F. 25102 Request for Permission to Enter into a Subcontract with the University of Minnesota to Accept U.S. Department of Education Funding for the "Yes I Can" Recreation and Social Inclusion Program

That the Superintendent enter into a subcontract with the University of Minnesota for the "Yes I Can" Social Inclusion Program for the period of October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002 for \$10,600 to be accounted for in a fully financed budget.

B.F. 25103 Renewal of Lease Agreement for District Bus Garage

That the Board of Education authorize the administration to renew the lease agreement with Judd Realty Company for the lease of 13,200 square feet of space at 533 Randolph for a period of five years from July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2007. Funding for this lease to be from the Transportation Budget #03-005-761-720-6370-0000.

B.F. 25104 Approval of Revised School Calendar for 2002-2003 and 2003-2004

That the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent (designee) to approve the modified rollover calendar for 2002-2003.

B.F. 25105 Request for Permission to Continue Membership with the University of Pittsburgh, Institute of Learning

That the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent (designee) to enter into agreement with University of Pittsburgh, Institute for Learning, in the amount of \$110,000 for the purpose of providing assistance in professional development for schools as part of the Project for Academic Excellence.

B.F. 25106 Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local No. 110, to Establish Terms and Conditions of Employment for 2002-2003

That the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 625 approve and adopt the Memorandum of Agreement concerning the terms and conditions of employment of those employees in this school district for whom International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local No. 110, is the exclusive representative; duration of said agreement is for the period of May 1, 2002 through April 30, 2003; and that the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 625 adopt a resolution that this agreement maintains the District's fiscal structural balance.

B.F. 25107 Authorization for Execution of Easement Agreement with the Church of Saint Gregory the Great Regarding Construction of Tennis Courts at Highland Park Secondary Site

That the Board of Education authorize the Chair and Clerk to execute an Easement Agreement between The Church of Saint Gregory the Great of Saint Paul, Minnesota and Independent School District No. 625 to include a temporary construction easement and a maintenance easement pertaining to construction of a landscaped berm and a wooden privacy fence as part of the tennis court construction project at Highland Park Secondary Complex in accordance with all terms and conditions of said easement agreement.

B.F. 25108 Recommendations for Exclusion of Students in Non-Compliance with Minnesota Statute 121A.15 Health Standards: Immunizations

That the Board of Education exclude the named students from school effective Wednesday, May 22, 2002 should they not comply with Minnesota State Health Standards for Immunizations on or before this date.

B.F. 25109 Authorization for Change Order No. 1 to Contract for Heating System Upgrades at Various Schools

That the Board of Education authorize Change Order No. 1 for an add amount of \$9,816.19 to the district's contract with Northern Air Corporation for construction of miscellaneous heating system upgrades at Battle Creek Middle, Wilson Middle and Webster Elementary Schools.

B.F. 25110 Bid No. A8699-C Pupil Transportation – Summer 2002

That the Board of Education accept the bid rates as shown in the tabulation, which is available in the Board office.

B.F. 25111 Monthly Operating Authority

That the Board of Education approve and ratify the following checks and wire transfers for the period February 1 – March 31, 2002.

(a) General Account	#253062-259426	\$86,555,958.47
	#3003737-3003939	
(b) Debt Service	-0-	16,490,561.59
(c) Construction	-0-	<u>3,169,919.94</u>
		<u>\$106,216,440.00</u>

Included in the above disbursements are payrolls in the amount of \$33,499,655.52 and overtime of \$119,632.15.

(d) Collateral Changes

Western State Bank – Securities Released		
\$250,000	962757FE5	
Western State Bank – Securities Pledged		
\$250,000 @ 4.6%	074509YQ7	Due 3/1/14
Wells Fargo Bank – Securities Pledged		
\$100,000 @ 4.3%	580872BS7	Due 12/30/11

That the Board of Education further authorize payment of properly certified cash disbursements including payrolls, overtime schedules, compensation claims, and claims under the Workers' Compensation Law falling within the period ending July 23, 2002.

B.F. 25112 Request Permission to Submit Smaller Learning Communities Grant Applications to the U.S. Department of Education

That the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent (designee) to submit a Smaller Learning Communities Planning Grants to the U.S. Department of Education from Central High School and Como Park Senior High School for the Additional Resources necessary to successfully research and identify best practices to plan a smaller learning communities reform effort at each school and to submit a Smaller Learning Communities Implementation Grant from Harding Senior High School, Humboldt Senior High School, Highland Park Senior High School, and Johnson Senior High School to implement smaller learning communities reform projects; to accept funds, if awarded, and to implement the projects as specified in the award documents.

B.F. 25113 Request for Permission to Submit a Grant Application to the Grotto Foundation

for Bridge View Elementary

That the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent (designee) to submit a grant application to the Grotto Foundation to expand extended learning opportunities at Bridge View Elementary; to accept funds, if awarded; and to implement the project as specified in the award documents.

B.F. 25114 Approval to Enter into a Contract with Ramsey County Community Corrections for Educational Services at Boys Totem Town

That the Superintendent enter into a contract with Ramsey County Community Corrections for educational services for students who have been placed at Boys Totem Town for the period June 17, 2002 through August 16, 2002. That a fully financed budget be established for the \$94,983 from Ramsey County Community Corrections to assist with the educational costs at Boys Totem Town during the summer.

B.F. 25115 Approval to Enter into a Contract with Ramsey County Community Corrections for Educational Services at Juvenile Detention Center

That the Superintendent enter into a contract with Ramsey County Community Corrections for educational services for students who have been placed at the Juvenile Detention Center for the period June 17, 2002 through August 16, 2002. That a fully financed budget be established for the \$73,532 from Ramsey County Community Corrections to assist with the educational costs at Juvenile Detention Center during the summer.

B.F. 25116 Permission to Participate in Submitting a Grant Application with the Family/Adult Literacy Research Project – University of Minnesota to the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development

That the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent (designee) to grant permission to participate in submitting a Family/Adult Literacy Grant with the University of Minnesota to the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; to accept funds, if awarded; and to implement the project as specified in the award documents.

B.F. 25117 Request for Permission to Submit Grant Applications to the Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning for Reading Excellence Grants

That the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent (designee) to submit Reading Excellence Grants to the Minnesota Department of Children, Families, and Learning including Local Reading Improvement Grants from Benjamin E. Mays Magnet School, Como Park Elementary, Eastern Heights Elementary, Highwood Hills Elementary, Linwood A+, Longfellow, Mississippi Creative Arts Magnet, Phalen Lake Elementary, and Webster Magnet and Tutorial Assistance Grants from Dayton's Bluff Achievement Plus School, Jackson Preparatory Magnet, John E. Johnson Achievement Plus School, Maxfield Magnet, North End Elementary, Roosevelt, Saturn/Riverfront Academy, and Bruce F. Vento Elementary, to accept funds, if awarded; and to implement the projects as specified in the award documents.

B.F. 25118 Request for Permission to Submit Grant Applications to the Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning for Comprehensive School Reform Grants (Round 5)

That the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent (designee) to submit Round Five Comprehensive School Reform Grants to the Minnesota Department of Children, Families, and Learning, from Farnsworth Elementary, Monroe Achievement Plus Community School, Saturn/Riverfront Academy, and Sheridan Elementary, to accept funds, if awarded, and to implement the projects as specified in the award documents.

B.F. 25119 Request for Permission to Submit a Grant Application to the Minneapolis Foundation

That the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent (designee) to submit a grant application to the Minneapolis Foundation for the development and reporting of performance

benchmarks for each of the 25 essential efforts identified in the Strategic Action Plan; to accept funds, if awarded; and to implement the project as specified in the award documents.

B.F. 25120 Permission to Submit an Adult Basic Education Proposal for 2002-2003 and Distribute Funds to Saint Paul Literacy Consortium Members

That the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent (designee) to submit a grant application to the Minnesota Department of Children, Families, and Learning to provide family literacy services for the 2002-2003 year, to accept funds if awarded, and to disburse funds to Saint Paul Literacy Consortium members based on the adult basic education formula.

B.F. 25121 Kids Voting Saint Paul Proclamation

Saint Paul School District #625 adds its support to "Kids Voting Saint Paul" Proclamation.

SEPARATE CONSIDERATION

B.F. 25122 Request for Permission to Submit a Grant Application to the Xcel Foundation For Fresh Force

Mr. Conlon noted that Fresh Force will be taking some reductions, and that they do raise some funding through grant applications. He asked if this application was intended to restore some of those lost funds and could be used by site coordinators. Dr. Harvey stated that this is new money and will be used per the grant application. Mr. Oertwig updated the Board members that they will be receiving additional information on Fresh Force in their weekly update.

MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Conlon, seconded by Ms. Carroll, that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent (designee) to submit an application to the Xcel Energy Foundation for the Fresh Force Program for a community learning service project; to accept funds, if awarded; and to implement the project as specified in the award documents.

The motion carried with the roll call vote as follows:

Ms. Street-Stewart	-	Yes
Mr. Thao	-	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	-	Yes
Ms. Carroll	-	Yes
Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Conlon	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

X. PUBLIC COMMENT (7:00 p.m.)

1. Mary Reis Spoke of home school liaisons and the critical role the
Parent, Capitol Hill African American liaison plays. This designation
should be in every school.

XI. OLD BUSINESS

1. Proposed Policy 612.00 Family-School Partnerships – Third Reading

MOTION: It was moved by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Thao, that the Family-School Partnerships Policy be approved.

In response to a request from Ms. Carroll, a brief review of the policy was given by Mr. Oertwig and Superintendent Harvey, for the information of the public. A copy of the approved policy is attached (Attachment A).

The motion carried with the roll call vote as follows:

Ms. Street-Stewart	-	Yes
Mr. Thao	-	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	-	Yes
Ms. Carroll	-	Yes
Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Conlon	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

XII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Referral of the Homeless Policy to the Committee of the Board.

MOTION: It was moved by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Brodrick, that the Homeless Policy be referred to the Committee of the Board.

The motion carried with the roll call vote as follows:

Ms. Street-Stewart	-	Yes
Mr. Thao	-	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	-	Yes
Ms. Carroll	-	Yes
Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Conlon	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

XIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

1. Human Resources
 - a. Professional Staff
 - b. Teaching Assistants
 - c. Educational Assistants
 - d. Special Needs Bus Drivers
 - e. Classified/Unclassified Service Personnel

MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Thao, seconded by Ms. Street-Stewart, that items a through e be approved.

The motion carried with the roll call vote as follows:

Ms. Street-Stewart	-	Yes
Mr. Thao	-	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	-	Yes
Ms. Carroll	-	Yes
Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Conlon	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

XIV. BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORTS

Mr. Oertwig reported, for the information of Board members, that the East Metro Integration District has an opening for the position of Superintendent.

XV. COMMUNICATIONS

XVI. FUTURE MEETINGS SCHEDULE

MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Thao, seconded by Mr. Brodrick, that a Closed Meeting for the purpose of Expulsions be scheduled for May 21, 2002 at 5:00 p.m. and that a Special Meeting be scheduled for June 10, 2002 at 4:30 p.m. for the purpose of personnel transactions.

The motion carried with the roll call vote as follows:

Ms. Street-Stewart	-	Yes
Mr. Thao	-	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	-	Yes
Ms. Carroll	-	Yes
Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Conlon	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

Tuesday, May 21, 2002

5:00 p.m.	Closed Meeting	Expulsion
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Monday, June 10, 2002

4:30 p.m.	Special Meeting	Personnel Transactions
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Tuesday, June 25, 2002

5:45 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting	
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Committee of the Board Meetings

May 29, 2002	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Homeless Policy Joint meeting with CBFAC
June 11, 2002	4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Budget Discussion
June 17, 2002	7:00 p.m.	Joint meeting with CBFAC

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: It was moved by Mr. Brodrick, seconded by Ms. Carroll, that the meeting be adjourned.

The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. with the roll call vote as follows:

Ms. Street-Stewart	-	Yes
Mr. Thao	-	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	-	Yes
Ms. Carroll	-	Yes
Ms. Carter	-	Yes
Mr. Conlon	-	Yes
Mr. Oertwig	-	Yes

For clarity and to facilitate research, these minutes reflect the order of the Agenda and not necessarily the time during the meeting the items were discussed.

Prepared and submitted by
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