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NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is given that on February 09, 2010 an election will be held at the Irrigation District Office for the purpose of electing two members of the Board of Directors. Polls will be opened at 1 PM and will close at 5 PM of that day. Notice is further given that any elector desiring to have the elector's name appear on the ballot must file a request in writing with the secretary of the district no less than twenty days before the election.

(January 15, 18 2010)

NEW PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #8
Regular School Board Meeting Minutes

December 8, 2009

The Board of Education of New Public School District #8, met in regular session on Tuesday, December 8, 2009 at 6:45 am at the Stony Creek School Library, located 5032 133rd DR NW, Williston, ND 58801. In attendance-Presideht Dr. Ed Maisey, Vice President Debbie Brown, Director Suzi Lee, Director Monica Chamley, Director Dave Rockstad, Business Manager Lisa Heinrich, Superintendent Gregory McNary, Technology Coordinator Scott Egge and Principal Keith Jacobson.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order- President, Dr. Ed Maisey
2. Approval of Minutes-Motion/Rockstad; Second/Brown. Vote: Yes-5; No-0. Motion carried.
3. Business Manager's Report
 - a. Hot Lunch Report
 - b. Thanks for all the support over the past year. Things are coming together. I am looking forward to a great year.
 - c. Alert Now-Up and running. We have been able to use this already this year and it went well.
 - d. NWEA Testing-So far everything is going good. With this being the first year for the entire school to participate in this testing program, things are running smoothly and I will have an update at the next board meeting.
 - e. PayPal-This is simply an FYI for the Board. Information for you to read and think about. As a district, is this something we would like to implement next school year? It would be well worth it for many of our patrons. Much discussion took place on this issue although it was an informational piece. It was decided to send all the information to the Budget Committee for consideration there before bringing it up for a vote.
 - f. Principal's Report
 - a. Head Lice checks are continuing at each building. Stony Creek will have one on Wednesday, December 9th.

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b. Teacher Evaluations are taking place. Very impressed with what we are getting from each teacher in the classroom. Students are involved in classroom activities and are motivated by teachers.

c. Lunch portions at each school are in compliance with the standards set forth by DPI. d. Discipline on the playground has been a bit of an issue at Round Prairie so we have designated certain areas to be used during recess. By doing this, we are able to keep better track of students and keep them safer.

6. President's Report

a. Evaluation of the Superintendent

1. Mr. McNary received a satisfactory result in every area of his evaluation

2. Many excellent and wonderful comments from Board members

3. Concerns with delegating responsibilities to other staff members.

4. Concerns about the budget.

5. Board appreciates what you have done this past year.

6. Motion to approve by Brown; Second/Lee. Vote: Yes-5; No-0. Motion carried.

b. Evaluation of the Business Manager

1. Mrs. Heinrich received a satisfactory result in every area of her evaluation

2. Many thanks for the past year of service

3. Motion to approve by Rockstad; Second/Chamley. Vote: Yes-5; No-0. Motion carried.

c. Received a letter regarding visits from NDEA. Have not had time to read through it and bring it to the board. A response is required by January 7, 2010 so as Board President, I will send a letter stating I have received the document and have not had time to act upon this request but will do so as soon as possible.

7. Superintendent's Report

a. It's been a challenging year. When the Board is behind you, it really helps.

b. Physical Education- We are looking into using the Raymond Family Community Center and the indoor swimming pool for Phy Ed activities sometime after we return from Christmas break. More information on this should be available at our next board meeting.

c. Teacher evaluations are in progress. These need to be finished by December 15, for teachers with 3 years or less experience. So far, we are on schedule and very impressed with what we are seeing from our staff.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8. Negotiations

a. Completed negotiations with Teachers.

b. Retroactive payment from September through December will begin with January 20, 2010 payroll. These four payments will be spread out January-August 2010.

c. Superintendent and Business Manager need to see each teacher individually as agreed during negotiations to make sure they are placed in their correct lanes and steps.

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d. In order to comply with the 30 day rule, the above needs to be completed and contracts must be out to teachers by December 15, 2009. All contracts would then need to be returned to the Business Manager by January 15, 2010 to be eligible for the salary increase on the January 20, 2010 payroll.

e. Motion made by Brown to accept the negotiations package. Included in the motion are the following: contracts signed and returned by January 15, 2010 and for the retroactive payment to begin January 20, 2010 and continue through the remaining months of the contract. Second by Lee. Roll call vote took place: Brown-Yes; Chamley-Yes; Rockstad-No; Lee-Yes; Maisey-No. Vote: Yes-3; No-2. Motion carried.

9. Policy Retreat

a. Continue working on the School Board policy book. We need two readings to pass policies. We need to continue as a board to finish this up. Suggest we read one policy each month or have a retreat on a weekend or evening until we have this completed.

1. Board decided to have a retreat on Monday, January 11, 2010 at 5:30 PM in the office of the Superintendent to complete as many policies as possible that evening. Another retreat may be necessary depending on how far the board gets that evening.

NEW BUSINESS

10. Faculty Tuition Request-Melissa Oylo; Motion/Lee; Second/Chamley. Vote: Yes-3; No-0; Absent-2. Motion carried.

11. Open Enrollment Application-Motion/Chamley; Second/Lee. Vote: Yes-3; No-0; Absent-2. Motion carried.

12. Williams County GPT Infrastructure Fund-FYI-District applied for Grant. More information as we receive it.

13. NDEA Visits-This was addressed by President, Dr. Ed Maisey in his report—all we really want is for them to call the district office and schedule an appointment in advance to speak with staff. We would hope to be able to have this after the normal school day.

14. New Board Member NDSBA Certification-This will take place next month as one board member is absent.

15. Student Handbook

a. Photo Release Form

b. Acceptable Use Policies

c. Cell Phone/Electronic Devices Policy

1. These were omitted from the revised handbook. All need to be added before coming back to the board for approval. Motion to table by Chamley. Second/Rockstad. Vote: Yes-4; No-0; Absent-1. Motion carried.

16. Set Board Team Meetings:

a. Budget Team: December 23, 2009 @ 5:30 PM

b. Curriculum Team: January 5, 2010 @ 4:00 PM

17. January Board meeting set for the 12th at 6:45 am at the District Board Room

18. Brief Building & Grounds tour of Stony Creek

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19. Adjournment at 8:15 am
Respectfully Submitted By:
Lisa Heinrich, Business Manager
Dr. Ed Maisey, President

(January 18, 2010)

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Turtle Mountain Communications/ Midcontinent Communications
Interconnection Agreement
Application
Case No. PU-10-20

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY
TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS

January 13, 2010

On January 8, 2010, Midcontinent Communications filed a petition for approval of a facilities-based interconnection agreement with Turtle Mountain Communications, Inc. The agreement sets forth rates, terms and conditions under which Turtle Mountain Communications will provide to Midcontinent Communications, wholesale resale of telecommunications services, facilities-based interconnection; exchange of traffic, number portability, and other customary arrangements for the Rolla and Rolette exchanges.

This agreement was filed under Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act). The Act requires that any agreement adopted by negotiation or arbitration be submitted for approval to the Commission. Under 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2)(A), the Commission may only reject an agreement adopted by negotiation, or a portion of the agreement, if it finds that:

1. the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier that was not a party to the agreement;
2. implementation of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

In addition, under 47 U.S.C. Section 253 the Commission may include in its review state requirements that do not constitute barriers to entry.

The Commission will receive written comments on this agreement until February 26, 2010.

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials please notify Darrell Nitschke, Executive Secretary.

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