

**CEDAR MOUNTAIN I.S.D. #2754
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Franklin School Library, Franklin, MN
7:00 p.m. April 15, 2024**

Chairperson Sullvain called the meeting to order at 7:00P.M. with members Sorenson, Sherman, Sandgren, Heibel and Rose present. Also present were DeWitte, Riebel, Garms, L.Hacker, Robinson, E. Root, E. Stupke, Pietig, K. Tietz, K. Koerner, C. Mathiowetz, C. Schiller, C. Jacobson, J. Asmus and Trebesch with GSM.

Additions and corrections to the agenda: Add H. Senior Class Trip and I. Music Trip in SY 24/25.

Acknowledgement of Visitors and Special Presentations: Erik Root, students from Senior Class and C.Jacobson Family.

Senior class representatives spoke to the board members on what their class trip would look like. They are going to Omaha, Nebraska. Erik Root was present and spoke to the board about the plans to proceed with a band trip for SY 24/25. See handout for full report.

Motion by Sorenson, second by Sandgren, passed unanimously to accept the agenda and the additions, minutes of the regular school board meeting on March 18th and the special board meetings on March 26th. March bills and the following donations: Arliss Becker \$20 to Alumni Scholarship Fund in memory of Vern Nelson and Lucille Christensen and Morgan Community Players \$100 for flags, \$100 to FFA and \$100 to Elementary End of School Year Dance. This includes A through D.

Elementary Dean of Students Report by Ms. Julia Garms: Appreciation: .Special Person's Day was held on April 5th and was a huge success. Pizza and preschool was held on April 4th and there was a great turnout. READ Act - this is the new reading program going into effect next year. Teachers are planning the end-of-the-year field trips and the End of the School Year dance is set for May 17th. See handout for full report.

MS/HS Principal Report by Mrs. Misty Riebel: Appreciation: 4th quarter is kicked off and has begun. Thank you to all who have had a part in the 24-25 school year 7-period day master schedule. PE classes and free time after lunch has been able to access our spaces outside and be active as the weather has been nice. CM MS/HS is hosting the MSHSL Visual Arts Competition this Wednesday, April 17th. See handout for full report.

Activities Director Report by Mr. Jeremy Robinson: Region 2A meeting was held in Mankato on April 10th. MNIAAA Conference was held March 26-28 in St. Cloud. CPAC is purchasing a

Daktronics video board for the gymnasium. The first of our 3 conference golf tournaments was held today in New Ulm. See handout for full report.

Superintendent Report by Kimberly DeWitte: Thank you to the preschool team (teachers, paras, parents and kids). The transition to Franklin has been going great. The preschool team has met and right now we have 25 4 year olds so we will be offering a 3 day per week and a 2 day per option. Thank you to all of the elementary staff for the Special Person's Event. See handout for full report.

Motion by Rose, second by Heibel, passed unanimously, pending background checks, to hire the following: Arianna Buysse-aide at Cougar Cub, Debora Meyer-part time transportation para and Jessica Bendorf-Aide at Cougar Cub.

Motion by Sandgren, second by Sherman, passed unanimously to approve the van bid from Nelson Auto Center. See handout for full report

Motion by Heibel, second by Sandgren, passed unanimously to approve the lawn bid from McGowan(Elementary, MSHS and FB field). See handout for full report

Motion by Sorenson, second by Sherman, passed unanimously to approve the contract with Greater MN Family Services(Mental Health Services)s with MS/HS and the Elementary.

Motion by Rose, second by Sandgren, passed unanimously to approve the following resignations: Sherry Regier-MS/HS Sped, Dee Schaefer-Cougar Cub, Mike Menth-Knowledge Bowl Advisor and Jennifer Eberhard-Music/Tech.

Motion by Sorenson, second by Sherman, passed unanimously to table the Land Acknowledgement Statement until the May meeting. See hand out for full report

Motion by Rose, second by Heibel, passed unanimously to approve the revised 23-24 Cedar Mountain budget.

Motion by Sandgren, second by Rose, passed unanimously to approve the Senior Trip and the days off that the Senior Class requested.

Motion by Sherman, second by Rose, passed unanimously to approve the band trip for SY 24/25.

Committee Reports: none

Next regular board meeting is set for May 20, 2024 at 7:00 pm in Morgan.

Meeting was adjourned to a closed session. 8:14 entered into closed session. 8:36 out of closed session. 8:37 meeting was adjourned.

Enrollment

- **Preschool**
 - 3's - 18
 - 4's - 17
- K - 30
- 1 - 32
- 2 - 31
- 3 - 29
- 4 - 26
- 5 - 23
 - Total Enrollment - 206 (+1)

Appreciation

- Thank you to all the elementary teachers for planning and organizing their field trips. These trips are great opportunities for our students to learn and experience places they might not otherwise visit.
 - K - May 20 - Ramsey Park
 - 1 - May 16 - Marshall Planetarium
 - 2 - May 28 - Amazon' Farmyard
 - 3 - May 22 - Target Field
 - 4 - May 24 - Mill City Museum
 - 5 - May 21 - MN History Museum
- Track and Field Day - Congratulations to all of our participants. Mike Freitag organized track and field day.
- Cedar Mountain's Got Talent - We had a talent show and demonstration of projects by students in grades K-5. We had over 60 participants! The committee was Jen Eberhard, Angela Sandgren, Beth Hill, Leah Weiss, and Paula Sturm.
- The street dance was a success! Jolene Lueck organized this event.
- The 4th grade class finished their State Fair project. They were amazing. Scott Babbitt organized this project.
- Thank you to the seniors for coming through the elementary and being positive role models.

Acceleration

- Community Garden - There is a community garden by the Franklin Bank. Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grade students are planting some vegetables. Next, fall they will continue to help.
- **READ Act** - This is the new reading program going into effect next year. It is required K-2. MDE is releasing updates as to the requirements.

- I completed LETRS facilitator volume 1 training. Volume 2 training is the first week in June. Kim and I will now discuss how we are going to structure this training for elementary teachers and 6th-grade teachers.
- We are in the process of writing our Local Literacy Plan.
- We are finishing the year strong!

Anticipation

- End of the year awards on May 30. We will hand out the last two BE awards - Responsible and Productive. We will also have a picnic lunch.

Graduation

- Friday, May 31 in the Morgan gym.
- Please meet in the conference room by 6:45. There will be a few programs in the room. Everyone will have a program on their chair.
- We will walk into the gym together right before graduation starts.

Cedar Mountain Middle/High School
School Board Report
Submitted by: Misty Riebel, Principal
May 2024

Enrollment Updates:

Middle School (gr 6-8): High School (gr 9-12):

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| • 6th - 33 | 9th - 26 |
| • 7th - 28 | 10th - 42 |
| • 8th - 25 | 11th - 44 |
| • | 12th - 24 |
| • TOTAL: 86 | TOTAL: 136 |

TOTAL Enrollment MS/HS: 222

Appreciation:

- We are in the home stretch of the 23-24 school year. Thank YOU to all of the MS/HS team for your dedication, determination, patience and hard work!
- Mental Health Team - Thank you for the work you have put into raising awareness for mental health across the MS/HS. Last week's dress up days and activities helped raise further awareness for mental health
- Seniors - Thank YOU for working hard, keeping the end goal in your minds! You've got this!
- Ms. Johnson - Thank YOU for your empowerment you provide for your FFA program. The FFA Banquet was a fantastic success. It was truly wonderful to see the student leaders engage and participate in those roles as well as witness the accomplishments they have worked hard for! Thank you for extending the invitation for me to join in!

Acceleration:

- Spring Pops Concert is tonight (Monday, May 20th) across the building. Thank you Mr. Root for your energy and dedication to the program!
- Cougar Cookout is on the horizon - set for Friday, May 24th during our middle school and high school lunch periods. Thank you to Ken Johnson who is coming in to assist with the grilling that day!
- The Band is headed to perform at ValleyFair on Wednesday, May 22nd - This is an exciting opportunity for our band program.
- End of the school year is quickly approaching, which means we are also preparing and planning for next school year.
- The last day of school is Thursday, May 30th and it is a 12:10pm dismissal at the Middle/High. The teaching team discussed and voiced they would like to run a condensed 8 period day that day in order to see each of their classes prior to the conclusion of the school year!

- Graduation is on Friday, May 31st at 7pm

Anticipation:

- No school on Monday, May 27th.
- Senior breakfast with their families as well as graduation practice is on Tuesday, May 28th
- We would like to formally extend an invitation to all to join our graduation ceremony on Friday, May 31st beginning at 7pm in order to celebrate the graduating class of 2024.
- Hiring of a PE/Health teacher update
- Hiring of a Social Studies teacher update
- Hiring of two Special Education Teachers update

Activities Director Report- May 20, 2024

- I. The Visual Arts festival we hosted on 4/17 was a big success. Thanks to all that participated, attended, and assisted.
- II. The Tomahawk Conference Track Meet was held Thursday in Sleepy Eye.
- III. Conference golf tournament date #3 was held Monday, May 13. Boys finished in 4th place at the end of the series. The girls didn't field a complete roster.
- IV. Section Golf dates are May 28 (boys), May 30 (girls), and June 3 (both). All at North Links in Mankato.
- V. Summer leagues have been formed. GBB is hosting a JV league on Tuesday nights and varsity will participate in a traveling league. The boys basketball team will be participating in an area traveling league on Wednesday nights. Hosts rotate each week. Volleyball will again be going to Nicollet on Monday nights.
- VI. Junior high start dates are planned for Monday, August 19.
- VII. Homecoming football game will be September 27 vs. Hills-Beaver Creek. Homecoming volleyball will be September 26 vs. Springfield. Variety show/coronation will be September 23.
- VIII. Summer no-contact period is June 29 - July 5.
- IXI. Coaching Openings
-JH BBB

Cedar Mountain School District
School Board Report
Submitted by: Kimberly DeWitte
May 2024

Cedar Mountain School Vision:

Excellence, accountability, rigor and high expectations are the educational cornerstones that make Cedar Mountain the school of choice.

Cedar Mountain School Mission:

Cedar Mountain Schools, in partnership with parents and community, provides an environment where learners can develop to their fullest potential in a changing world.

Appreciation:

- Thank you to the FFA students and Ms. Johnson
- Thank you to Mr. Freitag and all of the elementary teachers, staff, and students for awesome field days
- Thank you to AIED department for meeting with the sped team to clarify what the roles/responsibilities of that department
- Thank you to Scott Babbitt for giving me the opportunity to be a part of the 4th grade State Fair Project Judging

Acceleration:

- Grants Review. In the board packet you will see a compilation of grants that were applied for and approved for the 23-24 school year and those have been applied for or will be applied for the 24-25 school year. Moving forward these will be reviewed at the board meetings as they occur throughout the school year.
- Preliminary Budget for school year 24-25. Final budget will be approved at the June Board Meeting
- Chain of Command Document
- Land Acknowledgement

Anticipation:

- Senior Breakfast on May 28th.
- May 31 graduation practice at 9 am
- May 31 Graduation at 7:00PM. We ask that board members meet in the media center by 6:40 pm.
- May 30th - Last day of school for students - dismissal at 12:10 pm for all staff and students
- May 31st Teacher Workday and Graduation
- Mariah and Kim will working together to start the process for school board elections and will ask for approval of those in June

INVITATION TO BID

Notice is hereby given that ISD #2754 Cedar Mountain Schools – Franklin and Morgan, Minnesota will receive bids for Dairy Products.

The products will be provided for a period from on or about September 1st, 2024 through June 1st, 2025 according to specifications and conditions which may be obtained from the office of the Superintendent.

Sealed bids may be received in the office of the Superintendent no later than 3:00 p.m. on June 10th, 2024, at which time they will be opened. Bids will be evaluated and acted upon at the School Board meeting held on June 17, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

The Board reserves the right to waive technicalities and to reject any and/or all bids.

Dated: May 20, 2024

Brycen Christensen
Board Clerk
ISD #2754
PO Box 188
Morgan, MN 56266

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Land Acknowledgement for CMSD

The CMSD respectfully acknowledges that the areas in which our schools are located are the ancestral homelands of the Dakota people. We pay our respects to these stewards both past and present.

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
District 2754
AND
Cedar Mountain Education Minnesota

WHEREAS clarification is needed regarding the current article XVI Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE)/ School Readiness and;

WHEREAS the district met with board and union negotiators to clarify descriptions of preschool teachers and determined further clarity was needed by staff and administration and;

WHEREAS an MOU was needed to provide necessary clarity on preschool teachers language;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved; that for the contractual period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025, the following language provides clarity;

ARTICLE XVII - PRESCHOOL(4-YEAR LICENSURE) TEACHERS


All provisions of the Master Agreement between the District and Education Minnesota apply to Preschool Teachers holding a 4-year degree specific to preschool licensure through PELSB (Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board), with the following exceptions:

Section 1. Preschool Teachers will be placed on a separate seniority list. All other provisions of Article XIV - Unrequested Leave of Absence (ULA) & Seniority Agreement will apply to Preschool Teachers.

This agreement addresses July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 and will hereafter be incorporated into the collective bargaining agreement between the Union and District hereafter. This is not retroactive in nature and does not apply to the period of July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024.

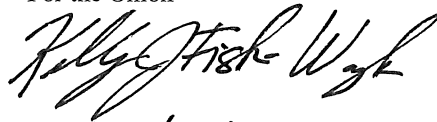
This agreement addresses the July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 collective bargaining agreement only and sets no precedent, nor shall it be introduced by either party in any proceeding as evidence of a past practice.

For the District:



Dated: 5/20/2024

For the Union



Dated: 5/20/2024