

UPSALA AREA SCHOOLS
Upsala, Minnesota 56384

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Upsala Area Schools, Independent School District No. 487, held on October 25, 2017. Present were Chairperson Peterson, along with board members Nelson, Thomas, Soltis and Wensmann. Also present were Superintendent Capelle, Dean of Students Klug and Business Manager Harren. Visitors were MCR reporter, Curtis Robertson and Brandon Young.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chairperson Peterson.

Motion by Nelson, seconded by Peterson to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Soltis, seconded by Wensmann to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 27, 2017 and the special meeting of October 11, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Thomas, seconded by Nelson to approve the bills in the amount of \$175,114.13. Bills paid with check numbers 19042 to 19121. Cash Balance report as of September 30, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

Dean of Students Klug's report:

2017-18 enrollment projections shared.

September Senior High Student of the Month is Stefani Pohlmann and Junior High is Ty Poppenhagen.

Subject Area Students of the Month were recognized for High School and Elementary.

Athletes of the Month are Matt Herzog for Football and Annika Gunderson for Volleyball.

Book Fair starts on November 6th through November 13.

K-4 Conferences will be held November 9 and 13.

Financial Aid Night is November 2.

School Newspaper was shared.

Students of the Month will be recognized at the Halloween Program on October 31.

Volleyball team starts their playoffs on Oct. 26 and Football 2nd round game is Oct. 28.

Superintendent Capelle's report:

Information shared on the Verizon proposal.

Football field improvement plans.

Scoreboard project.

Operating Referendum information sessions.

MSBA Annual Conference will be January 11 and 12.

Certified Negotiations. Committee meeting November 7 at 3:00.

Home football game on Oct. 13 at 2:00 was very well attended. The football field looked great thanks to AD Herbes and Lampert Lawn Care.

Robotics Advisor Robertson and Brandon Young shared information about what the Robotics Team is doing. A huge thank you to our 2017-18 Donors so far: MSP Communications-\$5000, Gene Haas Foundation-\$5000, Minnesota Power Foundation-\$2500, Park Industries- \$500, Bernicks -\$100, and Midwest Automatic Products Inc. \$50. Advisor Robertson requested the approval for the Robotics Team to join membership in the NMRC (Northern Minnesota Robotics Conference.)

Second reading of the following policy revisions: Policy 620 (Credit for Learning) and Policy 903 (Visitors to School District Building and Sites).

Motion by Nelson, seconded by Wensmann to approve to hire Samantha Streed as a Special Education Paraprofessional for the 2017-18 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Thomas, seconded by Wensmann to approve Ms. Mindy Klosowski as the Jr. High Knowledge Coach/Advisor for the 2017-18 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Wensmann to approve the winter coaching assignments as presented: Head Boys Basketball Coach-Joey Fuchs, Asst.-TBD, Jr Hi-Tom Riitters. Head Girls Basketball Coach-Nick Klug, Asst.-Amber Kalthoff, Jr Hi-Tom Riitters. Senior High Knowledge Bowl-Jen Henry, Jr Hi Knowledge Bowl-Mindy Klosowski. Upsala/Swanville Speech Coach-Chantelle Frie. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Nelson, seconded by Thomas to approve the request and fee of \$200 for the Robotics Team to join the NMRC (Northern Minnesota Robotics Conference). Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Peterson to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM.

Karin Nelson, Clerk