

Proceedings of the Board of Education  
Independent School District #787  
Browerville, Minnesota 56438

Regular Meeting #10  
November 15, 2023  
Conference Room 6:00 P.M.

Members Present: Bob Bryniarski, Kelly Callahan, Gram Bentz, Keith Noska, Jodi Hillmer, Marty Host, and Treg Schultz

Others Present: Scott Vedbraaten - Superintendent, Patrick Sutlief – K-12 Principal, Renee Hiebert-Business Manager, Wayne Petermeier – Activities Director, Karin Nauber – *Independent News Herald*, Robert Schueller, Jaqueline Coleman, and Luke Pfonenhaur

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Noska second by Callahan and carried to approve the agenda with the addition of Donations under New Business as well as the minutes from regular meeting number 9, October 11, 2023 as review and published.

### Reports

Mr. Sutlief reported on the following: The Scholastic Book Fair was held last week. It was a very big success retail-wise. Parent Teacher conferences were from 1-5 and 6-7 on November 9. We did not have a huge turnout. More and more parents are walking in with the report cards already in hand from JMC, a sign that we are making strides in Technology. The ASVAB test is scheduled for December 7 and the ACT is being scheduled at Browerville Public School. Best school lunch is November 17 as the kitchen staff prepares a Thanksgiving lunch. There are some notable dates in December... High School Concert is December 13 at 7:00 PM., the Elementary Concert is December 14 at 1:30 PM. (Reminder that both concerts are at Long Prairie High School Auditorium), and an early release on December 22.

Mr. Petermeier reported on the following: Overall the Clarissa experience has been good. Basketball, historically, brings in more people and different weather. Currently we do not have any varsity girls and boys hockey players, but there is one freshman boy. Girls' basketball begins November 13 as does gymnastics, which has five participants. Boys' basketball and wrestling begin November 20. JH Boys' Basketball began October 23; the girls begin January 2. He also reminded the board that with the construction project, that football locker room will disappear for two years.

Mr. Vedbraaten reported on the following: Mr. Vedbraaten thanked everyone involved with the successful passing of the referendum. There was no doubt that it took a team effort to accomplish this goal, and he reminded everyone that the district would be keeping the community up-to-date as before. He also congratulated FFA for placing in the recent horse judging competition. He gave an update on the sewer project at the Clarissa gym. The problem should be corrected on the sixteenth. The teachers will be meeting again for negotiations. The former gym site is almost ready for winter. The snow removal equipment is in the gym area. We will need to keep it clear as much as possible.

Motion by Host, second by Bentz and carried to approve vender claims in the following accounts.

General Fund	\$	447,617.69
Food Service	\$	45,650.48
Transportation	\$	108,936.39
Capital Expenditures	\$	77,102.84
Community Service	\$	19,637.95

Student Activity	\$	9,356.27
Insurance Fund	\$	<u>747.50</u>
TOTAL	\$	709,049.12

**Personnel**

Motion by Callahan, second by Hillmer and carried to approve the 2023-2024 Seniority List of the Browerville Public School Certified Staff.

**New Business**

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 787  
(BROWERVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS), MINNESOTA

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 787 (Browerville Public Schools), Minnesota, was held on the 15th day of November 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

The following Board Members were present: Noska, Hillmer, Bentz, Schultz, Callahan, Host, and Bryniarski; and the following were absent: None

RESOLUTION CANVASSING RETURNS  
OF VOTES OF SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION  
HELD ON NOVEMBER 7, 2023

Hillmer introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, which motion was second by Bentz:

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 787 (Browerville Public Schools), as follows:

1. It is hereby found, determined and declared that the special election of the voters of this district held on November 7, 2023, was in all respects duly and legally called and held.
2. As specified in the attached Abstract and Return of Votes Case, a total of 1042 voters of the district voted at said election on the question of the Approval of General Obligation School Building Bonds (Question 1), of which 619 voted in favor, 422 voted against the same.
3. Question 1, having received the approval of at least a majority of such votes, is hereby declared to have passed.
4. The school district clerk is hereby directed to certify the results of the special election to the County Auditor of Todd County.
5. The school district clerk is further directed to notify the Commissioner of Education of the results of the special election and to provide the certified vote totals for the ballot question in written form within 15 days after the results of the election have been certified by the School Board.

The Abstract and Return of Votes Cast is on hand at the district office.

Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Noska, Hillmer, Bentz, Schultz, Callahan, Host and Bryniarski

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Motion by Noska, second by Callahan and carried to enter into a contract with InGensa for the project management of the coming gym project.

Motion by Host, second by Bentz and carried to accept the donations of \$190 from FFA and 110 sticks of 1  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch pipe from Standard Iron.

### **Other Business**

Gram Bentz added that Charlie Woida would be interested in assisting with grant writing and prep of the weight room.

The board took its picture for the school annual.

### **Adjournment**

Motion by Noska, second by Hillmer and carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 P.M.

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Marty Host, Clerk