

SCHOOL BOARD
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 15
St. Francis, Minnesota
July 17, 2014
Special Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
4115 Ambassador Blvd.
M I N U T E S

The regular meeting was called to order by Chair David Roberts at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Directors Suzanne Erkel, Janet Hunt, Barbara Jahnke, Amy Kelly, Marsha Van Denburgh, and Acting Superintendent Troy Ferguson. Absent: Director Roed.

Agenda

Motion was made to approve the Agenda by Ms. Kelly, second by Ms. Erkel.
Motion carried 6-0.

Chair Roberts read the following:

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 15 that a closed session be conducted pursuant to the attorney-client privilege to discuss an employee's alleged legal claims, the District's attorney's analysis of the same, the District's options in response to such claims, and settlement discussions. The Minnesota Open Meeting Law, Minnesota Statutes, Section 13D.05, subdivision 3(b), allows the School Board to close a meeting to engage in attorney-client privileged discussions. A District employee has requested an arbitration hearing and has alleged another legal claim against the District. It would be detrimental to the District's interests for the Board to hold a public discussion with its attorney where any adverse party or their attorney could listen to or be made aware of the District's attorney's advice related to the potential claims. It is in the District's best interest for the Board to obtain legal advice in a confidential setting to maintain the attorney-client privilege. Accordingly, I will hereby entertain a motion that this meeting be closed pursuant to the attorney-client privilege for the reasons cited.

Motion was made by Ms. Hunt, second by Ms. Van Denburgh. Vote: 6-0, Time: 7:00 p.m.

Closed Session Pursuant to the Attorney-Client Privilege

Those present: Directors Suzanne Erkel, Janet Hunt, Barbara Jahnke, Amy Kelly, David Roberts, Marsha Van Denburgh, Acting Superintendent Troy Ferguson, and legal counsel Amy Mace.

Resume Open Meeting: Motion by Ms. Kelly: I move that the open meeting be resumed, second by Ms. Erkel.
Vote: 6-0, Time: 7:48 p.m.

In the closed session the School Board members discussed an employee's alleged legal claims, the District's attorney's analysis of the same, the District's options in response to such claims and settlement discussions.

The special meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Barbara Jahnke, School Board Clerk