

Minnesota Board of School Administrators

BOSA Monthly Meeting

Minnesota Department of Education Board Room CC13

1500 Highway 36 West, Roseville, MN 55113

September 14, 2015

12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Nancy Antoine, Jean Harr, Deb Henton, Kim Hartung, Denise Kapler,
Mary Mackbee, Robert Meyer, Daniel Naidicz, Louise Sundin

Board Members Excused: Tracine Asberry

Staff:

Angela Behrens, Asst. Attorney General & Counsel to the Board

Guests:

N/A

CONVENE: MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 12:30 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF 09/14/2015 AGENDA:

ROBERT MEYER MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED. NANCY ANTOINE SECOND. MOTION CARRIED.

II. APPROVAL OF 08/10/2015 MINUTES:

DENISE KAPLER MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES. DEB HENTON SECOND. MOTION CARRIED.

III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- o Jan Mohr was unable to attend the meeting due to a family health emergency.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Ethics Committee:

Reviewed 19 cases

Closed 2 files

Remaining files:

10 Principals

- 2 Superintendents
- 1 Director of Community Education
- 3 Charter Schools

B. Licensing Committee

- a. NANCY ANTOINE MOVED to approve a Variance for Lindsey Horowitz, Minneapolis Public Schools, District #0001, as a Director of Special Education. DEB HENTON SECOND. Discussion: Ms. Horowitz anticipated completing her licensure program at Hamline prior to her start date of September 14th. However, she still has one 2-credit class remaining to complete her program. Her anticipated completion date is now December 2015. A licensed director of special education has been hired as a mentor to work with Ms. Horowitz. MOTION CARRIED.
- b. DEB HENTON MOVED to approve a Letter of Approval for Jacob Richter, Walker/Hackensack/Akeley School District #113, as the Community Education Director, pending receipt of his full profile. ROBERT MEYER SECOND. Discussion: Mr. Richter holds a K-12 principal's license and has enrolled in the Community Education program at MSU Moorhead. MOTION CARRIED.
- c. DEB HENTON MOVED to approve a request for Superintendent licensure via the Alternative Pathway for Ms. Michelle Walker. NANCY ANTOINE SECOND. Discussion: Ms. Walker is currently the CEO of St. Paul Public Schools. She has over 20 years' experience in education, has served as a superintendent designee, coordinates and supports the superintendent's cabinet, and serves as the liaison to MN Department of Education, St Paul Mayor's Office and Ramsey County. The Credential Review Committee has recommended Ms. Walker for Superintendent licensure. MOTION CARRIED.

C. Communication/Legislative Committee Update: Louise Sundin

Considering the timing of the next legislative session (short session beginning March 14, 2016, with final adjournment on June 6, 2016), if the Board is planning to move forward with any legislative activity, this needs to be on the agenda for the October meeting so Board can move on it immediately.

D. Professional Development and Program Review: NONE

E. Executive Committee Report: NONE

V. MDE Report: NONE

VI. BOARD MEMBER REPORT: Nancy Antoine

Hue Nguyen, Assistant Commissioner of Education, has communicated that the plan for the teacher equity task force has been approved by the legislature and can move forward. There were 15 other state plans that were also approved. Secretary Duncan held a press conference to make sure announcement was noted. Nancy will email information to the Board members outlining the plan.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

VIII. OLD BUSINESS: Board Retreat Review

Retreat review is scheduled for October 12, 2015, in conjunction with the October board meeting. Please communicate any schedule conflicts with Jan Mohr as soon as possible

IX. LICENSURE MATTERS: NONE

X. NEW BUSINESS: NONE

XI. ADJOURN:

KIM HARTUNG MOVED TO ADJOURN. ROBERT MEYER SECOND. MOTION CARRIED.

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Meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Next meeting – Monday, October 12, 2015

Respectfully submitted by:

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