

July 23, 2020
Vermilion Country School
4:08 p.m.

Present: Jodi Summit, Karin Schmidt, Dick Larmouth (via phone), Marit Kringstad
Absent: Paula Herbranson (excused), Kristin Krings (was expected to attend, something came up)
Also present: Frank Zobitz

Motion to approve consent agenda by Karin, second by Marit- all yes
June 25 minutes; identified official with authority is Frank Zobitz; COVID-10 point of contact is Frank Zobitz

Designation of an Identified Official with Authority for Education Identity Access Management The Minnesota Department of Education (MDE), Professional Educator Licensing Standards Board (PELSB), and Office of Higher Education (OHE) require annual designation of an Identified Official with Authority (IOwA) for each local education agency that uses the Education Identity Access Management (EDIAM) system. The IOwA is responsible for authorizing, reviewing, and recertifying user access for their local education agency in accordance with the State of Minnesota Enterprise Identity and Access Management Standard, which states that all user access rights to Minnesota state systems must be reviewed and recertified at least annually. The Identified Official with Authority will authorize user access to State of Minnesota Education secure systems in accordance with the user's assigned job duties, and will revoke that user's access when it is no longer needed. Frank Zobitz, fzobitz@vermilioncountry.org, **fzobitzvcs** to act as the Identified Official with Authority (IOwA) for **ISD 4207 Vermilion Country School**.

Paraprofessional position: interviewed one applicant, recommend to hire Michael Joint, worked at VCS before as a para, has now earned a degree in environmental ed, has volunteered at the school the last few years, will be a great asset. A two-part work agreement, para, \$15.75/hr for 6 hours; and then \$19/hr for 2 hours a day for environmental ed duties.

Motion to hire Michael Joint as paraprofessional and environmental ed teacher by Marit, second by Dick. Vote- 3-0, with Karin abstaining

School safety- fall guidelines

Walz will issue fall guidance on July 30

Frank- we have done as much planning as possible at this point. The only unresolved issue is how to handle transportation- just another problem to solve

First day of school for students is Sept. 1

State has sent info on what is required and what is suggested, there will be a lot of district-level decision-making allowed, unless infection rates are out of control statewide.

Advisors come back Aug. 11

Board training- online sessions from Osprey Wilds-board members will attend if available
Frank talked about the Distance learning plan self-evaluation/reflection form from Osprey Wilds- as a staff we have addressed most of these questions at the end of last school year, and once we have a better idea of what we are doing in the fall, that info will be put into play.

We will not be simply repeating what we did last spring. We will have the ability to be more flexible. The board reviewed the questions from Osprey Wilds

June financials

Motion to approve June financials by Dick, second by Karin- all yes

Deposits of \$57,894.09; withdrawals of \$66,192.57; expenses posted to smartfinance of \$57,840.28

Expenses still running well below budget at 82%, subject to some minor end of year adjustments, and revenue is only at 90%

Frank- new chromebook computers are ordered, along with portable computer storage/stand/charging station; washable/reusable facemasks are ordered; sanitizer/disinfectants are ordered, done a lot of cleaning out of closet areas. Storage space under stairs will be for sanitizer/cleaning supplies so easily accessible to all school staff; school interior is almost all repainted; talked with TEDA/Marshall Helmberger, insulation bid approved, will be done in August and roof repairs in Aug. or Sept.; two offers of employment are still out for paras but expect to be signed shortly; three new student packets are out; two returning students (dropped out last year and now returning) have re-enrolled; and as of today, don't have any students who have indicated they are enrolling at other schools.

Will be advertising for new students in August

Talked about contacting current parents for referrals for new students

The school will receive some extra COVID funding- set amount, can be accessed as needed during the school year.

Next meeting is Aug. 27 at 4pm

Dick will be out of town (no cell phone service)

Motion to adjourn at 4:55 p.m.