



# South Washington County Schools

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## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

TO: Members of the School Board  
Keith Jacobus, Ph.D., Superintendent of Schools

FROM: Dayna Bentdahl, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

DATE: August 9, 2016

TOPIC/PURPOSE OF REPORT: Approval of the August 4, 2016, School Board Minutes

REFERENCE TO POLICY/STRATEGIC PLAN: Policy 204, School Board Meeting Minutes

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION: Approval

DATE FOR BOARD ACTION: August 18, 2016

## REPORT

District 833  
School Board Regular Meeting  
Unofficial Clerk's Summary

August 4, 2016

- 1.0 Call to Order; Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District 833, South Washington County, was held on Thursday, August 4, 2016. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ron Kath, at 6:30pm at the District Service Center, located at 7362 East Point Douglas Road South, Cottage Grove, Minnesota. School Board Members present were: Tracy Brunnette, Ron Kath, Katy McElwee-Stevens, Katie Schwartz and Sharon Van Leer. Michelle Witte and Joe Slavin were absent. Superintendent Keith Jacobus was present.
- 2.0 Pledge of Allegiance
- 3.0 Approval of Agenda: It was moved by Sharon Van Leer and seconded by Tracy Brunnette to approve the agenda. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 4.0 District Highlights: Agenda item scheduled for the August 18, 2016 meeting.
- 5.0 Public Comment: Agenda item scheduled for the August 18, 2016 meeting
- 6.0 Consent Items: It was moved by Sharon Van Leer and seconded by Tracy Brunnette to approve the following Consent Agenda items. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.
  - 6.1 Approval of Retirements, Resignations and Terminations
  - 6.2 Approval of Leaves of Absence
  - 6.3 Approval of New Employees/Change of Status
- 7.0 Workshop Items:
  - 7.1 Valley Crossing Update and Responsive Classroom: Julie Nielsen, Assistant Superintendent talked about the school calendar, professional development and responsive classroom training that occurred in July. Lela Olson, Valley Crossing Elementary School Principal and six teachers explained the components of responsive classroom; developmental awareness, positive community, engaging academics and effective management. They noted several schools implement some of these strategies; however Valley Crossing has been recognized as a Responsive Classroom school.

- 8.0 Information Items:  
8.1 Middle School Design and Construction Update: Mike Vogel, Interim Director of Facilities and Construction Management presented information on construction timelines and approvals for the new middle school and renovations for Woodbury, Lake and Cottage Grove Middle Schools.
- 9.0 Discussion Items: None.
- 10.0 Action Items: None.
- 11.0 Reports and Comments:  
11.1 Superintendent's Report: Dr. Jacobus reported on Pre-K grant funding and negotiations.  
11.2 School Board Member Reports:  
Tracy Brunnette: attended the NE Metro 916 Board Meeting.  
Ron Kath: updated on teacher negotiations.  
Katy McElwee- Stevens: indicated she's looking forward to the parades and has been watching the teacher negotiations.  
Katie Schwartz: She gave praise to *The Mix* program that her son participates in.
- 12.0 Future Meeting Dates:  
12.1 August 18, 2016 – Regular School Board Meeting (DSC/6:30 p.m.)  
12.2 September 1, 2016 – Regular School Board Meeting (DSC/6:30 p.m.)
- 13.0 Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:02pm.