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St. Anthony – New Brighton  
Independent School District 282  
**Regular School Board Meeting – May 6, 2014**  
St. Anthony Village City Council Chambers  
3301 Silver Lake Road  
St. Anthony, MN 55418

**MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Leah Slye; Barry Kinsey; Don Siggelkow; Mike Volna; Andrea Scamehorn; and Laura Oksnevad

**Staff Present:** Superintendent Robert Laney; Director of Business Services Bill Menozzi; St. Anthony Village High School Principal Wayne Terry; Wilshire Park Principal Kari Page; St. Anthony Middle School Principal Renee Corneille; Director of Community Services Wendy Webster; Erin Whisler; and Anna Nagle

The Regular School Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board Chair, Leah Slye, in the St. Anthony Village City Council Chambers.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Laura Oksnevad and seconded by Andrea Scamehorn to approve the Revised May 6, 2014 Agenda, as presented. The motion carries.

**STUDENT RECOGNITION**

Destination ImagiNation

A motion was made by Andrea Scamehorn and seconded by Laura Oksnevad to recognize and congratulate Isaac Mitchell, Abby Salseg, Brighid Donohue, Hugo Drews, Matthew Arens, and Anthony Arens for earning the recognition of taking second place at the State Destination ImagiNation competition, as presented. The motion carries.

State Speech Participants

A motion was made by Barry Kinsey and seconded by Mike Volna to recognize and congratulate the following students as participants at the State Speech Tournament; Marcos Giossi (Informative Speaking), Anne Klaesges (Serious Interpretation of Poetry), David Jacobsen (Creative Expression), and Carolyn Klaesges (Storytelling), as presented. The motion carries.

MSHSL 4A Art Competition

A motion was made by Don Siggelkow and seconded by Andrea Scamehorn to recognize and congratulate the following students for their participation and achievements at the MSHSL Art Competition; Rachel Ernster, Marcos Giossi, Anna Martin, Tony Saunders, and Rachel Yahrmatter, as presented. The motion carries.

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57 **COMMUNICATION BREAK**

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60 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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62 A motion was made by Mike Volna and seconded by Andrea Scamehorn to approve the Minutes  
63 from the April 15, 2014 Regular Meeting / Work Session and the April 29, 2014 Work Session, as  
64 presented. The motion carries.

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66 **GOOD NEWS**

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68 St. Anthony Village High School has been awarded a gold medal by U.S. News and World Report in the  
69 2014 Best High Schools rankings. One of only seven gold medal schools in the state, St. Anthony Village  
70 High School is ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in Minnesota and 390<sup>th</sup> in the nation....Minnesota Department of Education  
71 School Finance Award for the 7th year in a row in recognition of performance in financial management and  
72 timely submission of UFARS data and audited financial statements for FY 2012... St. Anthony Middle  
73 School is gearing up for the 5th grade to 6th grade transition. The Dean, Amy Kujawski, visited WP last  
74 Thursday, and the 5th graders will be visiting SAMS on May 16<sup>th</sup>... This is Teacher Appreciation Week –  
75 Thank you to all our great teaching staff dedicated to our learners...  
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78 **CONSENT AGENDA**

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80 A motion was made by Laura Oksnevad and seconded by Don Siggelkow to approve the May 6,  
81 2014 Consent Agenda, as presented. The motion carries.  
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85 **ACTION**

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88 **1. Unrequested Leave Placement**

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90 In order to affect the budget recommendations for the 2014 -2015 school year, Administration  
91 recommends that the Board place five (5) continuing contract teachers on **Unrequested Leaves of**  
92 **Absence** pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 122A.40, Subd. 11. Teachers will be notified, in writing, of their  
93 placement on Unrequested Leave. A copy of the resolution adopted by the School Board will be included  
94 with the letter. Teachers and their Unrequested Leaves of Absence placements are as follows:  
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<i>Name</i>		<i>URL FTE</i>	<i>Motion Made By:</i>	<i>Motion Seconded By:</i>	<i>Vote</i>
Kristie	Frudden	.03	Andrea Scamehorn	Mike Volna	Motion Carries: 5/0
Jamie	Egan	.4	Barry Kinsey	Don Siggelkow	Motion Carries: 5/0
Matt	Gorman	.91	Laura Oksnevad	Mike Volna	Motion Carries: 5/0
Jessica	Stock	1.0	Don Siggelkow	Barry Kinsey	Motion Carries: 5/0
Jan	Scholl	.533	Laura Oksnevad	Andrea Scamehorn	Motion Carries: 5/0

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103 **2. Technology Requests**  
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105 In February, the administration updated the Board about the need to begin to replace technology in the  
106 district. As of June 1, 2014, 80% of the computers in the district will be five years or older. On April 22<sup>nd</sup>,  
107 the list of replacement technology was presented. Also, the Technology Committee identified three grants  
108 for innovative practices that were presented. The total amount of expenditure would be \$120,000. The  
109 administration recommended the money for this come from the Committed Fund Balance.  
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112 **A motion was made by Andrea Scamehorn and seconded by Laura Oksnevad to approve the**  
113 **expenditure of \$120,000 from the Committed Fund Balance to cover the replacement technology**  
114 **and technology requested for three innovation grants, as presented. The motion carries.**  
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117 **3. Financial Consultant**  
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119 As a result of two of the district's financial consultants changing firms, the Board recommended Bill  
120 Menozzi contact other firms to inquire about their services. Mr. Menozzi presented a summary of the  
121 finance consulting and referendum planning services offered by Ehlers, Northland Securities, Robert W.  
122 Baird and Springsted. The recommendation was to choose a firm to provide a consulting contract through  
123 the November 4, 2014 election.  
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125 **A motion was made by Don Siggelkow and seconded by Laura Oksnevad to approve Robert W.**  
126 **Baird for referendum advisory services through the November election. This does not include**  
127 **underwriting services. A separate RFP for underwriting would be issued, if needed, at a later date,**  
128 **as presented. The motion carries.**  
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132 **4. All Day Kindergarten Experience Construction Bids**  
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134 There were four bids presented for consideration for the remodeling of the Wilshire Park Media Center to  
135 create two Kindergarten classrooms and a Media Center. The administration recommends the  
136 acceptance of the low bid from Mayer Electric Corporation. Mayer has partnered with Construction  
137 Concepts as a general contractor on this project. This bid does not include the storage shed or the  
138 proposed control work. Projected completion date is August 15, 2014.  
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140 **A motion was made by Andrea Scamehorn and seconded by Mike Volna to approve the low bid of**  
141 **Mayer Electric Corporation of \$339,919, as presented. The motion carries.**  
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144 **5. Copier Lease**  
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146 The District's 5 year copier lease with Loffler is set to expire on June 21, 2014. Administration is  
147 recommending another 5 year lease with Loffler on the state pricing contract for the copiers. The new  
148 lease includes 8 new copiers and will cost \$4,497.37/month, a decrease of \$808.23/month from the  
149 current lease agreement. The rate will be locked for the term of the lease.  
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151 **A motion was made by Mike Volna and seconded by Andrea Scamehorn to approve the Five Year**  
152 **Copier Lease with Loffler, as presented. The motion carries.**  
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156 **6. St. Anthony Middle School Enrollment Target**

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158 With the resignation of a full-time paraprofessional, Dr. Corneille would like the option of adding six  
159 students to her target enrollment to help address the \$72,000 budget shortfall specific to St. Anthony  
160 Middle School. Both pieces of this equation – not filling the vacated paraprofessional position and moving  
161 from an enrollment target of 420 to 426 – are feasible for St. Anthony Middle School. Neither will greatly  
162 impact SAMS goal of becoming a school committed to authentic learning in a caring environment.  
163 Addressing the \$72,000 budget shortfall in this manner, allows SAMS to keep the current schedule in  
164 place, no need to move to the six-period day.

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166 **A motion was made by Don Siggelkow and seconded by Andrea Scamehorn to approve moving**  
167 **the enrollment target for St. Anthony Middle School from 420 to 426 in order to retain the seven**  
168 **period school day for the 2014 – 2015 school year and to stay in budgetary bounds, as presented.**  
169 **The motion carries.**

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172 **7. Destination of ImagiNation Funding Request**

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174 Principal Kari Page asked the Board for consideration to provide funding for the Destination ImagiNation  
175 Team to attend the Global Competition in Tennessee. The funding will cover the registration fees and  
176 travel expenses for Susan Boatman, the DI Advisor and the team manager. The team is also collecting  
177 donations to help with the estimated cost of \$1,200 per student to participate in the competition.

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179 **A motion was made by Barry Kinsey and seconded by Mike Volna to approve funding \$2,300 for**  
180 **the Destination ImagiNation Team to attend the global competition in Tennessee, as presented.**  
181 **The motion carries.**

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184 **DISCUSSION**

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187 **1. Strategic Plan Update**

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189 St. Anthony-New Brighton School District has engaged in a strategic planning process. Since February,  
190 over 600 community members, parents, students, and staff have participated in the data gathering and  
191 strategic planning process. In late March and April, a team of 36 individuals participated in strategic  
192 planning committee meetings to develop mission and vision statements, values, and identified priorities.  
193 At the meeting on April 15, the Board was presented with an initial draft of mission and vision statements,  
194 values, and the top five priorities which emerged from the strategic planning committee. A subcommittee  
195 has been meeting and utilizing feedback from committee members to finalize a recommendation for  
196 mission and vision statements, values, and identified priorities. Two members of the committee, Erin  
197 Whisler, Teacher at Wilshire Park and Community Member John Kober shared their thoughts and  
198 experiences about the process so far. The Board will review the mission and vision statements, values, as  
199 well as the priorities and continue the discussion at the May 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

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202 **2. Early Entrance Policy**

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204 State law requires school districts to have a policy in place if a school district is going to allow early  
205 entrance to Kindergarten. Wilshire Park Principal Kari Page and Intervention Specialists Anna Nagle  
206 presented a policy proposal for the Board's consideration. The proposal outlined that children who are not  
207 yet five-years-old on or before September 1 may be considered for kindergarten early entrance.  
208 Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.02, allows for school boards to permit selected children early admission

209 in to kindergarten if there is an early admission policy established by the school board. Administration will  
210 recommend approval of the Early Entrance Policy at the June 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

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### 214 **3. Referendum Update**

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216 Director of Business Services Bill Menozzi presented the District's historical referendum information. The  
217 presentation included a 10 year referendum analysis, an analysis of the expenditures and revenue for the  
218 past 10 years, and student count history. The Board will continue to address referendum planning at the  
219 May 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

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## 222 **REPORTS**

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### 223 **Superintendent Report:**

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224 Superintendent Laney attended the strategic planning sub-committee meetings. He expressed his  
225 appreciation to all the participants for their commitment to this important process. Mr. Laney also attended  
226 the POPS Concert and numerous athletic events.

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### 228 **Board Member Reports:**

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#### 231 **Andrea Scamehorn:**

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232 Andrea Scamehorn attended the POPS Concert, the Strategic Planning sub-committee meetings, the joint  
233 meeting with the City of St. Anthony, a Community Services Advisory meeting, and the Athena Award  
234 Luncheon.

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#### 236 **Don Siggelkow:**

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237 Don Siggelkow attended the POPS Concert, Prom Grand March, a SANBE meeting and numerous  
238 baseball and softball games.

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#### 240 **Mike Volna:**

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241 Mike Volna attended the POPS Concert, a joint meeting with the City of St. Anthony, and WMEP  
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#### 244 **Leah Slye:**

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245 Leah Slye attended the POPS Concert.

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#### 247 **Barry Kinsey:**

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248 Barry Kinsey attended the POPS Concert, WPPA meeting, Wilshire Park Volunteer Luncheon and a  
249 baseball game.

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#### 251 **Laura Oksnevad:**

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252 Laura Oksnevad attended Phase 3 & 4 MSBA trainings, the POPS Concert, the joint meeting with the City  
253 of St. Anthony, a WPPA meeting, and the Wilshire Park Volunteer Luncheon.

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## 257 **Agenda Question**

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259 **“What have we done for learners?”.....“helping the Destination Team get to Tennessee....approved  
260 needed technology purchases....another step closer to All Day Kindergarten spaces....moving forward  
261 with the district’s strategic planning process....”**

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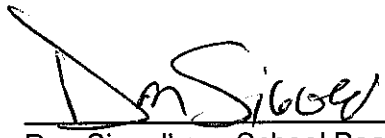
Adjourn

The Regular School Board meeting of May 6, 2014 was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Lannier

ATTEST:



Don Siggelkow, School Board Clerk