

**MINNESOTA NORTH STAR ACADEMY**  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
May 18, 2009

**Board Members Present:** Allan Amis, Barb Boelter, Bobbi Cordano, Kristin Cuta, June Damrow, Matt Mikulski, Susan Lane-Outlaw

**Board Members Absent:** Bobbi Cordano, Mary Zweber

**Director:** Kim Kause

**Interpreter:** Gina Alvarado

**Note taker:** Barb Boelter, Secretary

<b>Call to Order</b>
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The meeting was called to order at 7:25 by Secretary, Boelter. The meeting was convened after a joint meeting with the MDS Board.

**Motion No. 149:** Lane-Outlaw moved to approve the minutes from the meeting of April 20, 2009. Cuta seconded. Motion passé

<b>Director's Report</b>
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The Director's Report was reviewed and discussed.

Recently, a lot of time has been spent with end-of-year data collection. In the next few weeks, job position interviews will consume a great deal of time. It is good that we have received a good pool of applicants for all positions.

We still have several families who are visiting the school and who have as not yet made a decision about placement for next year.

Seven seniors will be graduating on June 10, 2009.

**Motion No. 150:** Lane-Outlaw moved that Cori Wahl be retained to be the Special Education Director for the 2009-2010 school year. Mikulski seconded. Motion passed.

**Motion No. 151:** Damrow moved that MNSA renew the membership in the Minnesota State High School League. Lane-Outlaw seconded. Motion passed.

## Merger

We discussed having a Conflict of Interest statement for Board members developed for discussion before the next joint meeting.

A committee of the joint MDS-MNSA board will be meeting to develop a slate of officers for the combined board.

We discussed who should be making the finance committee reports at the new joint board meetings. The new Treasurer will be responsible for these reports.

## Policies

**Motion No. 152:** Cuta moved to approve Policy # 410, Family and Medical Leave. Lane-Outlaw seconded. Motion passed.

**Motion No. 153:** Lane-Outlaw moved to approve Policy # 506, Student Discipline. Boelter seconded. Motion passed

It was discussed as to whether either school has a policy for staff code of conduct. Kause will investigate.

## Committee Reports

**Finance Committee:** Mikulski reported on the recent meeting of the Joint Finance committee. They have discussed taking \$125,000.00 of the cash on hand and setting it aside to cover future cash flow shortages. Due to probable upcoming legislative changes on reimbursement of expenses, they may be timing problems with cash flow.

We are relying on advice that non-profit law will apply at time of the merger with regard to assets transferring to the new school entity.

**Motion No. 154:** Mikulski moved to approve the 2009-2010 budget. Boelter seconded. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

The next meeting will Monday, June 18, 2009, at 7:00 p.m.