



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**Thursday, December 21, 2023 - 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**  
**Perpich Center for Arts Education**  
**Zoom Meeting**

*Mission: to provide all Minnesota students the opportunity to develop and integrate their artistic and academic abilities to their highest potential.*

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**APPROVED – MINUTES - APPROVED**

**CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Khosravi called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

On a Call of the Roll, members identified to be in attendance were: S. Anderson (virtual), L. Brobeck, R. Doyle, S. Grans-Korsh (virtual), P. Hustoles (virtual), P. Khosravi, L. LeCuyer, D. Loritz (virtual), J. Workman (virtual).

**ACTION:** CONSENT AGENDA – The consent agenda consists of non-controversial items the Board may adopt routinely. Any single member may remove an item from the consent agenda by requesting removal at the time the consent agenda is moved for adoption. Items to be approved by consent:

- a. Approval of the Minutes, Board of Directors Regular Meeting, November 16, 2023
- b. Receive Agency Budget and Financial Report, periods ending November 30, 2023

Member R. Doyle requested clarification of the budget items. Executive Director Rick provided clarification. **(Doyle requested the TOTAL REVENUE and TOTAL EXPENSES to appear in BOLD on future monthly budget reports. Charles agreed.)** Chair Khosravi moved to approve the consent agenda. Member P. Hustoles moved to approve. On a Call of the Roll, with each member voting in favor and no votes against, the Consent Agenda was approved.

**INFORMATION:** Executive Director Rick offered thanks and congratulations to board members L. Brobeck and J. Workman whose board terms will expire on January 1, 2024. Members L. Brobeck and J. Workman expressed their appreciation and thanked the board for their work. Executive Director Rick provided a report on the MN Free Schools Meals Program, staffing update, labor negotiations, Douglas Drive/Highway 55 project, board committee meetings, the Minnesota School Boards Association Leadership Conference, and upcoming events.

Executive Director Rick responded to comments from Members P. Hustoles, S. Grans-Korsh, R. Doyle, R. Salazar. Board Chair Khosravi thanked outgoing board members L. Brobeck and J. Workman.

**ACTION:** Dr. Charles Rick and Ekpe Akpan, Human Resources Director, presented draft Policy 515 Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records. Human Resources Director Akpan responded to questions from Chair Khosravi, Members R. Doyle, J. Mohr, P. and J. Workman.

For future policy requests, board members will consider a first and second reading of each policy, whenever possible.

Member P. Hustoles moved to table this item until the next board meeting. Member J. Mohr provided a second. On a Call of the Roll, with each member voting in favor and no votes against, a second reading of Policy 515 Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records will be considered at the January 25, 2024 board meeting. **(AS A SIDE, J. WORKMAN & J. MOHR OFFERED TO WORK ON POLICY SHOULD THE NEED ARISE).**

**INFORMATION:** Professional Development and Resources (PDR) Update – PDR Director Wendy Barden presented the Professional Development and Resources report including upcoming activities and new Native Authors series of books and activities. Dr. Barden also presented Tier 1 and Tier 2 teacher information.

Dr. Barden responded to comments from Members S. Grans-Korsh, P. Hustoles, L. LeCuyer, J. Mohr, P. Khosravi, R. Doyle, and R. Salazar.

**ACTION:** K. Morgan to email Dr. Barden’s presentation to the board.

**INFORMATION:** Arts High School Update – Rebecca Bullen, Arts High School Principal, highlighted the high school report with updates including current enrollment, student engagement activities, and an external artist visit. Principal Bullen reported an anonymous parent donation and former student donation.

Principal Bullen responded to comments from members P. Khosravi and J. Mohr.

**INFORMATION:** Communications Update – Communications Director Betsy Anderson provided an update on activities and the important role of board member engagement in social media.

B. Anderson responded to comments from R. Doyle, J. Mohr, and P. Khosravi.

**INFORMATION:** Chair P. Khosravi provided an update on Government Relations Committee activities and encouraged board members to contact their legislators as appropriate. S. Grans-Korsh noted B. Anderson provides useful information for board members when contacting their legislators.

Member S. Anderson provided an update on the Nominations Committee activities and requested board members to direct potential applicants to the Secretary of State website to apply. Member S. Anderson responded to comments from Chair P. Khosravi.

Member L. LeCuyer provided an update on the Statewide Arts Outreach Committee activities.

**ACTION:** Human Resources Director E. Akpan informed members of the board they will receive an email with instructions to complete required board member training prior to the January 15, 2024 deadline. Please inform Kathy Morgan of the time spent on training for reimbursement purposes.

Director Akpan responded to questions from R. Doyle.

**INFORMATION:** Board Member Discussion – L. LeCuyer provided comments to outgoing board members and complimented their service. Chair P. Khosravi presented L. Brobeck with a token of appreciation for her years of service to the Perpich Board of Directors and thanked J. Workman who attended virtually.

Minnesota School Board Association Annual Conference takes place on January 11 and 12, 2024. Members interested in attending the conference or required training should contact Kathy Morgan by December 22.

**INFORMATION:** Open Forum/Public Comment (limited to 2 minutes each, total of 20 minutes) – No member of the public rose to address the Directors.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With completion of the business of the Regular Meeting as identified by the Agenda, Chair Khosravi called the meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.