



Building a Bridge to the Future



ZM MESSENGER



Mr.s Ferguson's 1st Grade Bedroom Endeavor

Below: Students in 4C have been studying electricity and energy. We have also been learning about circuits and today we make a human circuit! Students had a blast and had a bit of a shocking experience.

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WHAT'S COMING UP?

12/23-1/2/22 - Holiday Break

1/3/2 - School Resumes

1/9/2 - Organization and Work Session
Meetings, 6:00 p.m.

1/11- Early Release

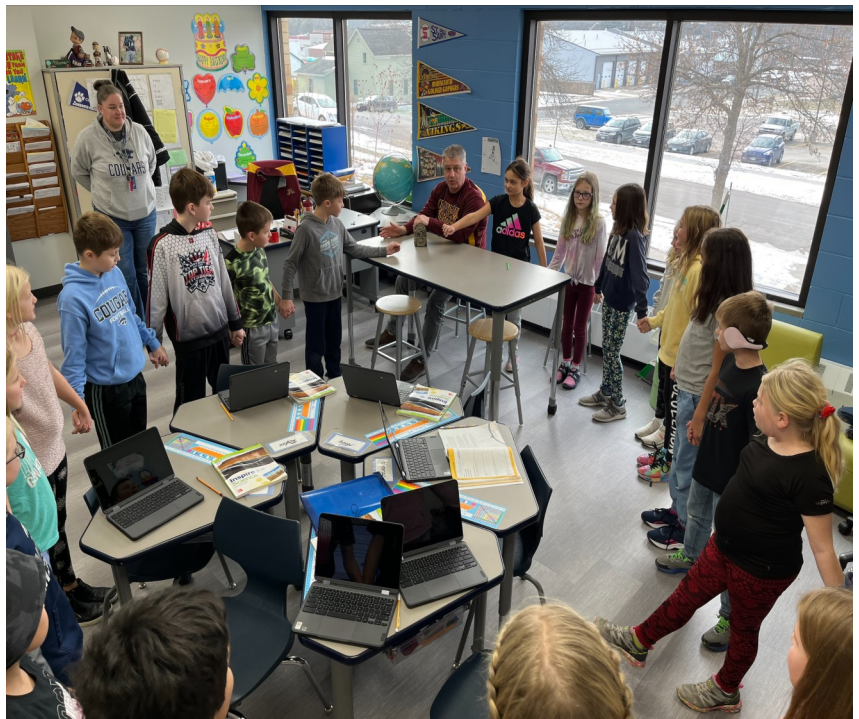
1/16 - No School/Holiday

1/20- End of Quarter 2

1/23- Teacher Inservice/Work Day

1/30- School Board Meeting

Happy Holidays & New Year from ZM!!



SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

School Board Special Meeting to Canvass Election Results
Independent School District No. 2805
Monday, November 14th, 2022

Members present: Mr. Lohmann, Mr. Wendt, Ms. Roth, Ms. Miller and Ms. Bredehoft.

Members absent: Ms. Peters

Also present: Mr. Harvey and Board Clerk's Secretary, Amber Rasmussen

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 am by Jason Lohmann.

There were no changes to the agenda.

The Abstract of Votes Cast at the November 8th, 2022 General Election was reviewed. There were a total of 6214 persons voting in the election. The summary total was as follows:

Travis Liffbrig - 2007
Jake Rude - 1875
Jean Roth - 1438
Bretta Nietz - 1424
Aaron Stahosky - 1397
James Wendt - 1326
Derek Chapin - 416
Write In - 21

Travis Liffbrig, Jake Rude and Jean Roth were elected to four-year terms on the school board beginning the first Monday in January of 2023.

Bredehoft/Lohmann motion to adopt the resolution canvassing Return Votes of the School District General Election. Roll Call Vote: Roth - yes, Wendt - yes, Miller - yes, Lohmann - yes, Bredehoft - yes. Motion carried 5:0.

Wendt/Miller motion to adopt the resolution authorizing the issuance of Certificate of Election. Roll Call Vote: Roth - yes, Wendt - yes, Miller - yes, Lohmann - yes, Bredehoft - yes. Motion carried 5:0.

Lohmann/Miller motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 AM. All in favor. Motion carried.

Angie Bredehoft, Clerk



FCCLA-Leo Club students wrapped gifts last week and donated them yesterday. Thank you so much for all your donations! We had a huge box of gifts and tons of winter clothes for families in need. We appreciate all of the community support to help make the holidays great & keep our students warm.

School Board Meeting Minutes

Independent School District No. 2805
Zumbrota-Mazepa Public Schools
High School/Media School Media Center
Monday November 21, 2022
7:00 PM

Member's Present: Jason Lohmann, Jean Roth, Amanda Peters, Jim Wendt, Stephanie Miller and Angie Bredehoft.

Also Present: Mr. Havey, Mr. Rasmussen, Ms. Constantine, Ms. Ahern, Ms. Lohmann, Mr. Schumacher, Mr. Stapelton and Board Clerk Secretary Amber Rasmussen.

Jason Lohmann called the meeting to order at 7PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

There was no recognition.

Jim Wendt motioned to accept the following change to the agenda, DHS Stabilization Grant, Stephanie Miller seconded the motion. All in favor.

Jim Wendt motioned to adopt the agenda as presented. Jean Roth seconded the motion. All in favor.

There was no communication.

Reports:

Ms. Constantine shared per presentation "Transforming Education in 2022-2023" The main goal of school transformation happens most effectively when a cohesive team collaborates with one goal, one mission, in mind. The team will consist of teacher/support staff/administrators/students/parents/ business and community member.s

Mr. Rasmussen reports Ms. Wallerichs Youth Coding League placed 1st nationally out of 61 teams; they will come to the December board meeting to give a presentation. The Gaga ball pit is a hit. The Elementary School had 98% attendance for conferences. Explorations were held on November 3, students participated in a variety of activities. 6th graders will attend their Kindness retreat on November 22.

Ms. Ahern reports Primary conferences were well attended. She did not have a percentage yet. Primary students celebrated 1st quarter PBIS awards with a Glow Party. The Book Vending machine has been ordered.

Mr. Harvey reports that Enrollment numbers continue to be steady. Punch list items are still being completed. The Auxiliary Gym is in use.

Members of the ZM Student Government gave a report of upcoming events they have planned. December 5 - 10th is School Inclusion Week, they have activities planned. They are also planning the Polar Plunge this spring and hope to challenge other schools to increase the funds they raise.

There was no Patron Input.

Old Business:

Jim Wendt motioned to approve the following policies: 722 - Public Data and Data Subject Requests, 101 - Legal Status of the School District, 102 - Equal Education Opportunity, 201 - Legal Status of the School Board, 202 - School Board Officers , 203 - Operation of the School Board - Governing Rules. Stephanie Miller seconded the motion. All in favor.

Teacher and Non Certified Seniority List - Mr. Harvey said that teacher, Brandon Roth, is not on the Teacher Seniority List. Jason Lohmann motioned to accept the Teacher and Non-Certified Seniority list with the change to add Brandon Roth. Amanda Peters seconded the motion. All in favor.

Jean Roth motioned to accept the World's Best Workforce as presented. Amanda Peters seconded the motion. All in favor.

New Business:

Angie Bredhoft motioned to adopt the consent agenda including the payment of bills. Jason Lohmann seconded the motion. Amanda Peters mentioned that Travis Liffri's name is incorrect on the November 14, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes, correction will be made on 11-14-22 minutes and brought back for approval at the December 19, 2022 meeting. All in favor.

1. Approve Minutes: 10-24-22 and 11-7-22
2. Approval of Hires: Ben Knowlton, One Act Play Director, Erin Ganrud, Paraprofessional, 11-30-2022, Amanda Richardson, Paraprofessional, 11-28-2022.
3. Approval of Resignations: Shanna Fearer, Cook, effective 10-25-2022, Marlene Maloney, Cook, effective 11-16-2022, Diane Tri, Cook, effective 11-3-2022, Kara Kundert, Cougar Care, effective 11-7-22 , Cynthia Schultz, Cougar Care, effective 11-30-22, Haley Kalina-Aakre, Paraprofessional, effective 11-18-22

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4. Approval of Bill Consideration: Angie Bredehoft - November, Jean Roth - December

1. Principal's Association Contract: The Principals 2022-2024 Contract was reviewed and will be brought back to the December 19th 2022 meeting for approval.

5. Superintendent National CTE Conference: Mr. Harvey would like to attend the conference in Washington DC, March 19 - 202, 2023. He hopes to promote more CTE opportunities in Minnesota. Jim Wendt motioned to approve the Superintendent National CTE Conference. Jean Roth seconded the mo-

tion. All in favor.

6. Superintendent Evaluation Process. Jason Lohmann has sent an email to School Board members with the evaluation. Jason will meet with Mr. Harvey and talk about the results at the December 19, 2022 meeting.

Jason Lohmann motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 PM. Angie Bredehoft seconded the motion. All in favor.

Angie Bredehoft, Clerk



ZM FFA had their annual Christmas shopping event November 29th! This year, we were able to buy Christmas gifts for eight children in our community. We also bought some clothing, snacks, ear buds, and personal hygiene items to donate to the community room at the middle school/high school, and a few pairs of extra winter gloves to donate to the primary school. A huge thank you to everyone in our community who supports our fruit sale fundraiser, nominates us for community grant money, or provides donations to our FFA chapter, so we can continue to give back to our community during the holiday season! We are so appreciative of the community support and had a great time shopping day!



News from the School Nurse: News from the School Nurse:

The health offices continue to be quite busy with over 3,000 visits so far this school year. Please review infinite campus information to make sure emergency contact information is up to date so that we can get ahold of you when your child is not feeling well.

Influenza season arrived early and continues to be on the rise in MN – right now majority of MN cases are Influenza A. It is not too late to get the flu vaccine! Vaccination helps prevent the severe outcomes of influenza.

What are the symptoms of Influenza?

Fever of 100 degrees or higher with a cough and/or sore throat.

May also have fatigue, headache and body aches.

Check out the Influenza screening tool for parents:

<https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/flu/school/parentscreen.pdf>

Zumbrota Mazeppa Schools reported influenza like illness to MDH 11/28/22 for the Elementary school and 11/30/22 for the Primary and Middle School/High School. K-12 schools are required to report an outbreak of influenza-like illness (ILI) when the number of students absent with ILI reaches 5% of total enrollment or three or more students with ILI are absent from the same elementary classroom.

RSV (Respiratory Syncytial Virus)

We are also seeing a high number of RSV cases in school age children.

RSV causes infections of the lungs and respiratory tract. RSV symptoms are mild and typically mimic the common cold. Most people who get an RSV infection will have mild illness and will recover in a week or two. We typically see this virus in children under the age of 2. We are seeing it this year in older children and adults, and we are seeing it much earlier in the season than we usually do.

Some people are more likely to develop severe RSV infection and may need to be hospitalized. Examples of severe infections include bronchiolitis (an inflammation of the small airways in the lung) and pneumonia. RSV can also make chronic health problems worse. For example, people with asthma may experience asthma attacks as a result of RSV infection, and people with congestive heart failure may experience more severe symptoms triggered by RSV.

Older children with mild cases of RSV can be treated at home with over-the-counter fever-reducing medications and by drinking plenty of fluids.

If your child is struggling to breathe, wheezing or dehydrated, it's time to see a health care provider, as those are signs of more serious cases.

When to Keep Your Child Home:

- A fever of 100 degrees or more, stay at home until 24 hours after the temperature has returned to normal **(without the use of a fever-reducing medication.)**
- Diarrhea or vomiting, stay home **until symptom free for 24 hours.**

If you are keeping your child home because they are ill, please call/email the school to report specific symptoms and/or diagnosis. We are tracking illnesses and need up accurate information.

Human Growth and Development Classes:

The school nurse will be working with the 4th, 5th, and 6th grade teachers to complete the Human Growth and Development Classes. These classes will be held in February. A letter will be coming home to parents in January. Please call Tiffany Boraas, LSN at 507-732-1420 or email tiffanyb@zmsch.k12.mn.us with any questions or concerns.