

Minutes of Board Work Session

February 13, 2017

A Board Work Session of the Board of Education of the Aitkin Public Schools was held Monday, February 13, 2017, beginning at 6:00 PM in the District Office.

1. Call meeting to order.

Ms Hills called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Ms Hills, Mr. Hasskamp, Mr. Chute, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Janzen, and Mr. Hoge were present. Mr. Burgstaler was absent. Also present were Paul Karelis, Tiffany Gustin, and Bernie Novak.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Conference call with Peter Leatherman on Survey.

Peter Leatherman of The Morris Leatherman Company reported that the survey consisted of calling 300 district households between January 18 – 27, 2017. There was a 4% non-response rate, and the average call lasted 20 minutes. The margin of error for the survey is +/- 5.5% for the sample size.

Mr. Leatherman reviewed the survey results with the Board. Where the same questions were asked as part of the 2015 survey, the results of the questions were compared between 2015 and 2017.

Jesse Peterson arrived at 6:16 p.m.

After discussing the survey results, the Board discussed how to move forward, including these possible options:

- Discuss it further in a Board work session.
- Bring a task force together again.
- Move ahead and levy dollars to begin projects.
- Create a funding stream through LTFM funding.

5. Other

No other items of business were discussed.

Mr. Hasskamp made a motion, with a second by Mr. Chute, to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Tiffany Gustin
Secretary