



Building a Bridge to the Future



ZM MESSENGER



Elementary Paraprofessionals



Early Childhood Paraprofessionals



MS/HS Paraprofessionals

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- February 7, 22—Work Session
- February 9, 22—Early Release
- February 18, 22—Teacher Flex Day-No School
- February 21,22—No School/Holiday
- February 28, 22—School Board Meeting



Primary Paraprofessionals

ZM Vocational Construction House

Open House Sunday February 13th, 10am—12pm

Are you interested in a quality-built home? The ZM Vocational Construction Class is building a **5 Bedroom/3 Bathroom house at 620 Mulligan Drive** in Zumbrota. Interested parties are invited to discuss project details with advisor, Brandon Roth, or to call 507-273-2992.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The Zumbrota-Mazeppa School Board held their organization meeting on Monday, January 3rd. There were no changes to the agenda.

The board elected Jason Lohmann as Chair, Amanda Peters as Vice-Chair, Angie Bredehoft as Clerk and Jim Wendt as Treasurer.

The following regular meeting times were approved.

- Monday, Jan. 24, 2022 7:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, Feb. 28, 2022 7:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, March 21, 2022 7:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, April 25, 2022 7:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, May 23, 2022 7:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, June 27, 2022 7:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, July 18, 2022 7:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, Aug. 22, 2022 7:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, Sept. 26, 2022 7:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, October 24, 2022 7:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, Nov. 21, 2022 7:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, Dec. 19, 2022 Follows Tax Hearing ZM MS/HS Auditorium

Special Meetings:

- Monday January 3, 2022 7:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, December 19, 2022 Tax Hearing/Adoption 6:30 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, January 9, 2023 Organization 6:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium

Work Sessions:

- Monday, January 3, 2022 Follows Organization Meeting ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, February 7, 2022 7:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, March 7, 2022 7:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, May 9, 2022 7:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, August 8, 2022 7:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, Sept. 12, 2022 7:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium
- Monday, Nov. 7, 2022 7:00 pm ZM MS/HS Auditorium

The 2022 bill review schedule was approved as follows:

January/July - Mr. Lohmann—April/October - Ms. Peters
February/August - Mr. Wendt—May/November - Ms. Roth
March/September - Ms. Miller— June/December - Ms. Bredehoft

The board designated the official district bulletins bars are the Superintendent's office, ZMHS Main Door, ZMPS Main door and ZMES Main Door.

The Bank of Zumbrota was names the general depository and investment sites named include First State Bank of Red Wing and Mazeppa, Bank of Zumbrota, Liquid Assets, Edward Jones and Ehlers. Nicole Fitzgerald of School Management Systems (SMS), and Carol Glander were authorized to conduct electronic transfers in 2022. The superintendent, chair, and treasurer were authorized to invest surplus funds and Michael Harvey ad Nicole Fitzgerald from SMS were authorized to sign for stop payment and revoked documents for the school district.

The treasurer and superintendent were authorized to access the bank safety deposit box #503 and the Bank of Zumbrota. The Rockne Law Office, Ratwik, Rosxak, Maloney, P.A. and Dunlap & Seegar, P.S. as the school attorneys with the superintendent and board chari authorized to contact them. The News Record of Zumbrota was designated to be the official school newspaper.

Mr. Harvey, Superintendent, was designated to act as the Identified Official with Authority (IOwA) for ZM Schools. The resolution reads as follows: The Minnesota Department of Education (MDE), Professional Educator Licensing Standards Board (PELSB), and Office of Higher Education (OHE) require annual designation of an Identified Official with Authority (IOwA) for each local education agency that uses the Education Identity Access Management (EDIAM) system. The IOwA is responsible for authorizing, reviewing, and recertifying user access for their local education agency in accordance with the State of Minnesota Enterprise Identity and Access Management Standard, which states that all user access rights to Minnesota state systems must be reviewed and recertified at least annually. The IOwA will authorize user access to State of Minnesota Education secure systems in accordance with the user's assigned job duties and will revoke that user's access when it is no longer needed to perform their job duties

Mr. have was designated to enter contracts and approve payments.

Mayo Clinic Health Systems-Zumbrota and the Goodhue/Wabasha Health Services as the general school clinics.

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C.A.R.E. CLINIC

The Dental Clinic is open 4 days a week!

Hours: 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Monday—Thursday

Where: 906 College Avenue, Red Wing, MN 55066 Door #1

Call for an appointment: 651-388-1022 or go to the website www.careclinicrw.com or email info@careclinicrw.com

Affordable Services are offered at an 80% discount!

- * Cleanings for all ages
- * Fillings
- * Sealants
- * Cavity risk assessment
- * Oral health education
- * X-rays and referrals

The Clinic accepts qualifying uninsured patients and Minnesota Health Care Program enrollees (Medical Assistance and MinnesotaCare, including South Country Health Alliance).

Did you know the American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that a child goes to the dentist by age 1 or within 6 months of when their first tooth erupts?"



**CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT TODAY!!
651-388-1022**

Board Director Compensations for 2022 was set as follows:

1. 2022 annual per diem \$2500
2. \$15 per hour for board members required to attend meetings on legal issues and negotiations during the work-day
3. Chair per diem \$300.00 per year
4. No per diem for Clerk or Treasurer
5. \$30 per session for negotiators
6. No other committee per diem in 2022
7. Meals/Lodging allowance for attending workshops and conferences set at \$12.00 for breakfast, \$15.00 for lunch, \$22.00 for dinner
8. 2022 federal mileage rate

The committee appointments are as follows:

Attendance/Discipline(1) Ms. Miller, Mr. Wendt alt.

Board Policy Manual(2) Ms. Roth, Ms. Peters

Buildings/Grounds-all areas(3) Mr. Lohmann, Mr. Wendt, Ms. Bredehoft

Community Education Board(2) Ms. Roth, Ms. Miller

District Advisory Committee(3) Ms. Roth, Ms. Bredehoft, Mr. Lohmann

GCED Joint Powers(1) Mr. Wendt, Ms. Roth alt.

Legislative Com/Net(1) Ms. Roth, Ms. Peters alt

Meet and Confer(3) Ms. Roth, Ms. Peters, Ms. Bredehoft

Negotiations(3) Mr. Lohmann, Ms. Bredehoft, Mr. Wendt

MSHSL/Extracurricular(2) Ms. Bredehoft, Ms. Miller

Technology(2) Ms. Peters, Ms. Roth

Vocational Advisor-School to Work(3) Mr. Lohmann, Mr. Wendt, Ms. Roth

WETC Joint Powers(2) alt. Required Ms. Bredehoft, Ms. Roth, Ms. Miller alt.

Education Foundation(2) Mr. Wendt, Ms. Peters, Ms. Roth alt

Budget Committee(2) Ms. Bredehoft, Mr. Lohmann

The board adopted the school board preamble as presented.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 pm and the board work

session opened immediately at 6:21 PM.

Mr. Wendt motioned to consider the following change to the schedule. Update on Vaccinations and the Emergency Temporary Standards by the Federal Government and MN OSHA. Ms. Roth seconded the motion. All in favor.

Ms. Miller motioned to adopt the agenda as presented. Ms. Bredehoft seconded the motion. All in favor.

Items for discussion:

1. The following policies were reviewed:
 - 462 Terms and Conditions of Employment
 - 464 Non Teaching Substitute Employees
 - 523 Policies incorporated by Reference
 - 532 Use of Peace Officers and Crisis Teams to remove Students with IEPs from school grounds
 - 533 Wellness Policy
 - 535 Service Animals in Schools
 - 542 Student Assistance Program
 - 544 Student Registration
 - 545 Extra Class Activities
 - 546 Student Fees
 - 547 Student Homework
 - 548 Work Experience
 - 549 Foreign Exchange Students
1. Social Emotional Learning (SEL) presentation
2. Broadcasting of School Board Meetings Discussion: Mr. Harvey will look into options and costs. Will bring information back to the board for further discussion.
3. Update on Vaccinations and the Emergency Temporary Standards by the Federal Government and MN OSHA. Mr. Harvey just received information on two policy models by MSBA. He will do some research and bring information to the next board meeting for review and possible action.

Mr. Lohmann motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 pm.



Senior High Choir caroling at the Zumbrota Nursing Home.



Mrs Boyum's class with their painted rein-



4th Grade



4th Grade Mitten Tree

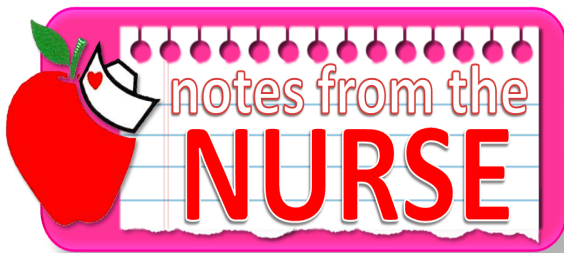
Zumbrota-Mazeppa Students Celebrate the Holidays



Ms. Alders Class



**6th Grade
has moved
into their
new space!**



January News from the School Nurses:

We are seeing a lot of illness right now - including Influenza like illness:

Influenza is spread by coughing or sneezing, and by touching contaminated hands, objects, or surfaces. Symptoms may last up to 7 days and people with influenza are contagious for 24 hours before symptoms present and up to 7 days after illness begins.

Please stay home if/when you have symptoms.

Please let the school office staff know if your student is home with an influenza-like-illness (ILI). ILI is defined as a fever of 100.0 degrees F or higher, and cough or sore throat (in absence of a known disease other than influenza). **It is important for parents to report symptoms keeping students' home as we are tracking symptoms for state health monitoring.**

General Guidelines for returning to school:

A student should not come to school if they have had a fever of 100 degrees F or more in the past 24 hours (students must be fever free for 24 hours **WITHOUT** the use of fever reducing medication); vomiting or diarrhea in the past 24 hours; tested positive for strep (must stay home until 24 hours after antibiotic treatment started); an undiagnosed skin rash. Please help us keep all our students healthy by following these recommendations.

DISTRICT COVID UPDATES:

The month of January has brought the highest number of positive COVID cases in the ZM school district since COVID-19 started. We have had 134 Student/Staff positive cases from 1/1/22 – 1/22/22.

The ZM school board changed the ZM COVID Preparedness Plan on 12/20/21 (This can be found on the school website under "What's NEW" at the bottom of the home page).

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As of 1/3/22 the Zumbrota Mazeppa School district is no longer contact tracing. This means school nurses are no longer identifying close contacts at school, sports or on the busses. Families will not get any notification of students being close contacts at school. No letters or emails are being sent to families.

Parents can see the active positive cases count for ZM schools on the District COVID dashboard which is updated weekly. As of 1/12/22 this will reflect only the cases who have tested positive in past 5 days.

As of 1/12/22 Based on the CDC recommendations. The isolation period for person's who test positive for COVID has decreased from 10 days to 5. Students and Staff may return to school if they are fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medication AND symptoms are improving on day 6. They will be required to mask at all times through day 10.

High School Sports: As a district the Board recently allowed students/staff to return after 5 days, however the MSHSL is still at 10. An athlete could return to school and practice on day 6-10, but NOT competition until day 11 after they tested positive or experienced symptoms.

Non-vaccinated family members of a positive case of COVID who remain asymptomatic must quarantine for a total of 10 days and may return to school on day 11.

Meningococcal Immunization Information:

Students are due for a booster at age 16 to provide protection when they are at the highest risk.

All Minnesota schools will be required to report to the state how many high school seniors have their second Meningococcal immunizations. These are required before you can start 12th grade. 11th grade students should be getting in to have this immunization given.

What is meningococcal disease?

- Meningococcal disease is a rare, serious illness caused by a bacteria, (*Neisseria meningitidis*). It can cause meningitis, which is an infection of the brain and spinal cord, and it can also cause blood infections.

How does meningococcal disease spread?

- Meningococcal disease is spread by contact with secretions (saliva or spit) from the nose and throat.
- It can be spread through kissing, sharing silverware, drinking directly from the same container, sharing a cigarette or lipstick, and having close social contact (living in the same household).
- It is not spread through casual contact, such as being in the same room or touching the same object.

Who is at risk?

- In general, the risk of becoming infected with meningococcal disease is low, but anyone can get it. However, some people are at increased risk, such as:
 - First year college students who live in residential housing.
 - People who have an immune disorder called complement component deficiency or who take Solaris (eculizumab).
 - People with a damaged spleen or whose spleen has been removed.

When should my child be vaccinated?

All 11 to 12 year olds should be vaccinated (since Sept. 1, 2014, changes to Minnesota's Immunization Law required this immunization for all students entering 7th grade). Older teens need a second shot when they are 16 years old so they stay protected when their risk is the highest.

Teens who got meningococcal vaccine for the first time when were 13, 14, or 15 years old should still get the booster shot when they are 16 years old. If your older teen didn't get the meningococcal shot at all, you should talk to their doctor about getting it as soon as possible.

School Board Meeting Minutes

The Zumbrota-Mazeppa School Board held their regular meeting on Monday, January 24th.

Member's present: Mr. Lohmann, Ms. Miller, Ms. Peters, Ms. Roth and Mr. Wendt. Absent: Ms. Bredehoft

Also present were Mr. Harvey, Mr. Rasmussen, Mr. Anderson, Ms. Ahern and Board Clerk Secretary Amber Rasmussen

Mr. Lohmann called the meeting to order at 7pm

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Ms. Peters and Ms. Miller motioned to accept the following changes to the agenda. Bus Contractor Discussion and Proposal and School Construction House Lot purchase.

Ms. Miller and Mr. Wendt motioned to adopt the agenda.

Mr. Anderson reports that they plan to give out academic letters to 12th graders for 1st semester grades. The building project is in the home stretch. 10th graders will no longer be able to have Open Campus lunch privileges, if they are in good standing academically and behaviorally with a 3.5 GPA and parent permission they can have office release during study hall second semester. Site Teams continue to work on SEL development at grade levels. The Robotics team is back this year. And registration for 2022-2023 will be January 31 and February 1.

Mr. Rasmussen reports that 6th graders have moved into their new spaces and are enjoying the break-out space as well as the proximity to all the classes. They continue to utilize the mornings of early release to complete ALiCE drills along with recognizing the student of the month. The after school program is going well. He thanked the staff for adapting to the daily challenges with a positive attitude and flexibility.

Ms. Ahern reports that Ms. Latusek's 2nd grade won the NFL 360 grant work \$1500. Katie Kennedy, Social Worker was awarded the 2020 Pam Taschuck Award and will be presented at the MNJOA Conference February 2nd. The Primary building celebrated the end of 2nd quarter with a movie and popcorn. She thanked

staff and paras for being creating with new ideas for inside recess. It is also MN Paraprofessional Week.

Mr. Harvey reports that enrollment numbers went up compared to last month. He also said how much the ZM Paraprofessional are appreciated, all para's will receive a certificate this week.

Patron Input was received.

The following policies were approved 462 Terms and Conditions of Employment, 464 Non Teaching Substitute Employees, 523 Policies Incorporated by Reference, 532 Use of Peace Officers and Crisis Teams to remove Students with IEP's from school Grounds, 533 Wellness Policy, 535 Service Animals in Schools, 542 Student Assistance Program, 544 Student Registration, 545 Extra Class Activities, 546 Student Fees, 547 Student Homework, 548 Work Experiences, 549 Foreign Exchange Students and 552 Post Secondary Enrollment Options

The consent agenda was approved including the payment of bills.

Approval of Minutes: 12-20-21 Truth in Taxation, 12-20-21 School Board Meeting, 1-3-22 Organizational Meeting and 1-3-22 Work Session

Approval of Hires: Anita Otterness, Floating Substitute, January 19, 22 - June 2, 22. Todd Stockmo, Floating Substitute, January 3, 22 - June 2, 22. Julia Anderson, Long Term Substitute, March 31, 22 - June 3, 22. Morgan Burow, Long Term Substitute, January 19, 22 - June 3, 22

Approval of Resignations: Michelle Storey, effective January 26, 2022

Approval of Donations: \$2500.00 Mayo Clinic Season of Gratitude to be used towards the Health and Wellness of Staff, \$100.00 Old Soul Vintage Boutique LLC.

Approval of Lane Changes: Marnie Vonday, BA+10 - BA + 20

Approval of Bill Consideration :January - Mr. Lohmann, February - Mr. Wendt

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Indoor Air Quality Presentation - Harty Mechanical gave a presentation on indoor air quality. The difference between air purification and air filtration. Mr. Harvey asked what should be done now. Harty Mechanical suggested making sure the existing systems are working properly.

Kennedy Bus Discussion/Proposal - Ashley Kennedy announced that Scott and her are looking to sell Kennedy Bus Service. Palmer Bus Service is interested, Ashley and Scott will stay on as long as needed to help with the transition. Palmer Bus Service will be at the February 7th Work Session

2022-2023 Calendar - Mr. Wendt motioned to approve the 2022-2023 Calendar. Ms. Roth seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Curriculum Presentation and Discussion Schedule - Mr. Harvey and Ms. Holst would like to have a schedule for Curriculum Discussion at meetings to talk about what is being covered and what materials are being used. Mr. Harvey will set a schedule for Work Sessions. Amplify (Language Arts) will start at the February 7th Work Session

Broadcasting Meeting Options - Mr. Voth and his Technology Students are trying the current system to see the quality of video and sound to put out to the public. Mr. Voth said there is a possibility of life streaming also. Mr. Lohmann asked about the retention of the

recordings. Mr. Harvey said a Policy will have to be adopted.

Call for RFP/Discussion - The RFP is dust this year. Mr. Harvey said he met with a consultant to schools who run their own food service program. He said ZM could partner with PI for this. He will take a couple weeks to look into this option further and have the consultant come to the February 7th Work Session.

District Covid Protocols - The current District Covid Protocols were reviewed along with Nurse Tiffany Boaraas's report. Currently there are 17 active 5 day cases. Ms. Peters motioned to go back to universal masking, contract tracing, follow MSHSL and revisit in February. Mr. Lohmann called for a second three times. No motion. Ms. Miller motioned to keep current protocols. Mr. Wendt seconded the motion. Discussion was held. Ms. Miller amended the motion to keep the protocols as is but to have a notification sent out to families K-6 if there is a positive case in the classroom. Jim seconded the amendment. 4-yes, 1-no. Amendment passed. 4-yes, 1-no. Motion passed.

Mr. Wendt and Ms. Miller motioned to approve the purchase of 165 Golf Links Avenue for a future Construction house.

Mr. Lohman and Ms. Roth motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 pm.



4th Grade teachers as Game show hosts for their next reading unit!