

Vermilion Country School Board

Meeting Minutes

Date: October 8, 2010

Location: SuLu's restaurant meeting room, Tower, MN

Members present: Jodi Summit, Marshall Helmberger, Muriel Scott, Troy Swanson, Becky Gawboy, Ray Toutloff and Chris Schuster

Members absent: none

Others present: none

Meeting began at 8:35am.

Minutes from 10/1/10 meeting approved with changes. (Bryan Rossi sent information to MDE on October 6 and did not meet with them.)

1. Marshall Helmberger talks about his discussion with Bryan Rossi from NEO regarding information he sent to the MDE. Rossi did not submit any information regarding the Tower-Soudan High School closure. There was some information that he edited out of our application that needed to be added and submitted to the MDE. Information that was submitted may or may not have an effect on the 10/15/10 MDE decision.
2. Board has discussion about self-governing structure. Specifically, the issues of running a self-governed project based school under ISD 2142. Issue tabled until the MDE approval process is complete.
3. CSP grant training is scheduled for 10/19/10. Discussion about going ahead with training. Board decides to go ahead with training so we can be ready for the grant submission once we have approval.
4. Discussion regarding the site for the school. It may be helpful to seriously look at an alternative site to the Tower-Soudan school. We will schedule time to visit the PowerRain building site next Friday and seek the advice of construction experts to get an idea of costs for renovation of the building. Also, discussion regarding food service options.

Board will meet next Friday 10/15 at 8:30 and go to look at the PowerRain building.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30am.