Chair Roberts called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Members present: Mr. Roberts, Mr. Bardell, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Sturdevant, Ms. Chandler and Superintendent Kaldor

Members absent: Ms. Lee

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by members of the Valley View Elementary School Safety Patrol.

HEIGHTS LITES
- The School Board recognized Valley View Elementary’s Student School Safety Patrol program, under the leadership of Tara Thukral and Sue Collins. Patrol students were present to accept Certificates of Appreciation recognizing the work of the School Safety Patrol program, as well as the efforts of the program’s advisors.

- The School Board also recognized Valley View’s work with the *Arts and Schools as Partners (ASAP)* grant from the Perpich Center for Arts Education, under the direction of teacher Jan Freemore. A Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Ms. Freemore.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE

Announcements:
- Nov. 23-24, Thurs./Fri., THANKSGIVING BREAK, No school for students/staff
- Nov. 27, Mon., 7 p.m., Regular School Board Meeting, District Community Room
- Dec. 4, Mon., 6:30 p.m., School Board Work Session, District Community Room
- Dec. 12, 6:30 p.m., New School Board Member Orientation, District Community Room
- Dec. 22-Jan. 2, HOLIDAY BREAK—No School

COMMUNICATION TO THE BOARD

(None)

CONSENT AGENDA
Motion by Chandler, seconded by Sturdevant, to approve the action required for implementation of the items on the consent agenda.

APPROVE the Minutes of the Regular School Board Meetings of October 9 & 23, 2006 and the Special Called Meeting of November 8, 2006 to Canvass Election Results.
APPROVE the Treasurer’s Report for the month of August 2006 and payment of bills as summarized below, which are on file with the Board Clerk:

General .............................................. $1,309,065.76
Food Service ........................................ 36,706.26
Community Education ........................... 38,783.86
Building ............................................. 23,250.64
Debt Service........................................... ---
Trust and Agency ................................. ---
Flex .................................................... 5,400.85
Internal Service Fund (dental) ............... 16,480.09
Internal Service Fund (severance) .......... ---
Student Activity ................................. 2,822.89
TOTAL ................................................ $1,432,810.35

APPROVE the employment of the following:

Licensed
Ariane Smith: Art Teacher, NP, increases from .80 FTE to 1.0 FTE, effective 10/2/06, for 2006-2007 school year.

Kathryn Gislason: Communication Arts/Literature Teacher, CMS, 1.0 FTE, Step 1, Lane 1 (BA), $25,533.40 for 149 days for 2006-2007, effective 10/23/06.

Pat Curtin: Gifted & Talented Coordinator, Change to $67,650.40 annually for 2006-2007 school year, 218 days/yr, effective 7/1/06.

Beth Fawley: Gifted & Talented Coordinator, Change to $67,650.40 annually for 2006-2007 school year, 218 days/yr, effective 7/1/06.

Linda Ernst: Federal Programs Coordinator, Change to $73,202.10 annually for 2006-2007 school year, 218 days/yr, effective 7/1/06.

Duane Berkas: ELL Coordinator, Change to $68,696.09 annually for 2006-2007 school year, 228 days/yr, effective 7/1/06.

Joy Majsterski: Title change to Due Process Coordinator, change to $74,766.67 annually for 2006-2007 school year, 218 days/yr, effective 7/1/06.

Support
Marcia Hildebrand: Quality Control Technician (Child Nutrition), rehire, District Wide, 6.0 hours/day, 2 days/week (Tues/Thurs), $18.00/hour, 66 days remaining for 2006-2007, effective 10/10/2006.

Paul Henke: Night Lead Custodian, rehire, District Wide, 8.0 hours/day, $16.68/hour, 186 days of 261 remaining for 2006-2007, effective 10/16/2006.

Pamela Thomas: Custodial Substitute, new hire, District Wide, days and hours as needed, $11.00/hour, effective 10/23/2006.

Paul Thomas: Custodial Substitute, new hire, District Wide, days and hours as needed, $11.00/hour, effective 10/23/2006.

Kathleen Zemba: Child Nutrition Substitute, new hire, District Wide, days and hours as needed, $10.00/hour, effective 11/1/2006.

Joe Primus: Title change to Director of Business Services, effective 10/15/06.

Bridget Drews: Location change to VV, 4 hrs/day, effective 11/06/06.
Crystal Tabor: Adventure Club Assistant, current employee, NP, 2.0 hrs/day, for the 2006-2007 school year, $11.50/hour, effective 10/9/2006.

Coach
Dale Berg: Assistant Volleyball, Fall season, new employee, effective 2006-2007 school year.

Jan Larson: Middle School Volleyball, Fall season, current employee, effective 2006-2007 school year.

Vicki Denzer: Middle School Volleyball, Fall season, current employee, effective 2006-2007 school year.


Roger Jenson: Key Club, CHHS, current employee, effective 2006-2007 school year.

Daniel Tschida: Key Club, CHHS, current employee, effective 2006-2007 school year.

Leave Requests
Larry Link: Custodian, CMS, requests medical leave (FMLA) from approximately 10/4/06 for up to 12-weeks.

Resignations/Terminations


APPROVE the following gifts/donations:
- Northeast Bank Foundation donated $500.00 to the Columbia Heights School District.
- Andy Tso donated a scanner and a printer, valued at $180.00 and $70.00 respectively, to CHHS for use by the yearbook staff.
- The Columbia Heights VFW Post 230 donated $400.00 to the Boys Basketball program—specifying half for the girls’ program and half for the boys’ program.
- The CHHS Homecoming Fireworks Fund received the following donations:
  - $100.00 from the Columbia Heights Fire Fighters Assn., Inc.
  - $100.00 from Kathy Kelly
- Karen Zimmer donated $70.06 to Columbia Heights High School through payroll deduction and her employer’s Annual Giving Campaign.
- The Columbia Heights Athletic Booster Club donated $5,000.00 to cover the cost of the banquet meals for athletes and coaches.
- Cummins Power Generation of Fridley donated two color printers to the Columbia Heights School District.

Motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD
Mr. Peterson, Mr. Sturdevant, and Mr. Bardell reported they participated in a Board work session. Mr. Roberts, Ms. Chandler, Mr. Peterson, and Mr. Sturdevant reported they attended a meeting to canvass the Nov. 7 election results. In addition, Mr. Peterson attended the first annual D.A.R.E. gala where Mr. Sturdevant received an outstanding service award. Ms. Chandler attended the final Girls swim meet.
SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT
Dr. Kaldor reported she participated in the following: Meeting at 916 on pandemic flu, meeting with the auditors to go over the preliminary audit, WMEP Finance Committee meeting, a mediation session on a legal matter, 15th Annual Law Conference, two Cabinet meetings, and a meeting with the High School Principal to review the first round of evaluations of probationary teachers.

ENROLLMENT UPDATE
Cultural Liaison Cristina Dubon-Claveau provided the Board with the current District enrollment figures, listing the total District enrollment at 2908. She reported the elementary schools’ enrollment continues to increase slightly, and the High School has reopened to open enrollment. The exception is Level III Special Ed, K-12, which is still closed to open enrollment, as the program is at capacity.

Ms. Dubon-Claveau announced the Placement Center is again holding the cold weather clothing drive, which will continue through the beginning of December. Cold weather clothing in infant-adult sizes is being accepted in the Placement Center and is offered to District families in need.

FUNDRAISING REPORT
In accordance with School Board Policy 511-Student Fundraising, the Board was presented with summaries of fundraising activity at Central Middle School and Highland Elementary School.

AUDIT REPORT
Matt Mayer, of Kern, DeWenter, Viere, reviewed with the Board the results of the 2005-2006 School District audit, and stated the District had a very clean audit this year.

Motion by Chandler, seconded by Peterson, to accept the audit report for the 2005-2006 school year, as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT RENEWAL (Values 1st/SACCC)
At their November 6, 2006 work session, the Board reviewed the terms of the Joint Powers Agreement with Anoka County, the cities of Columbia Heights, Hilltop and Fridley, and Fridley ISD #14.

Motion by Chandler, seconded by Bardell, to adopt the following resolution renewing the SACCC Joint Powers Agreement through December 31, 2008 and authorizing payment of District 13’s share in funding the SACCC/Values 1st Coordinator services in the amount of $4,262 (2007) and $4,262 (2008).

WHEREAS, in June of 1985, a Joint Powers Agreement established the Southern Anoka County Community Consortium consisting of Anoka County, and Cities of Columbia Heights, Fridley, and Hilltop and Independent School Districts #13 and #14; and,

WHEREAS, the general purpose of this Joint Powers Agreement is to allow each party to jointly and cooperatively coordinate the delivery of services, maximize the use of resource, avoid redundancy, encourage public and private community partnership, and to develop and find programs to promote the general community health and safety in the territory of the cities herein; and

WHEREAS, a very successful example of this joint, cooperative effort is the establishment of the community values program know as Values First, which has been recognized throughout the country as a model for promoting core values consistently across all sectors of the community so that youth and adults have a common, inclusive foundation upon which to operate;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Columbia Heights Independent School District No. 13 supports the efforts of the Southern Anoka County Community Consortium and does hereby renew and enter into the aforesaid Southern Anoka County Community Consortium Joint Powers Agreement (Contract #950154B) until December 31, 2008, unless earlier terminated or extended under the terms hereof.

Roll call vote: Peterson.......................Aye
Sturdevant ..................Aye
Roberts ........................Aye
Bardell.........................Aye
Chandler......................Aye

Motion carried and resolution adopted.

POLICE SCHOOL LIAISON OFFICER CONTRACT
The 2006-2007 Police School Liaison Officer’s contract was closely reviewed by the Board at their Nov. 6 work session. Approval was sought at tonight’s meeting.

Motion by Chandler, seconded by Bardell, to approve the Joint Powers Agreement between the City of Columbia Heights and Columbia Heights ISD #13 for the period September 5, 2006 through June 7, 2007, and authorize payment of District 13’s share in the amount of $33,828.60.

Motion carried unanimously.

BOARD TOPICS
Youth Commission Facilitator, Tim Wellman, came before the Board to extend an invitation to attend an informational meeting December 4, 2006, 7:00 p.m. at Murzyn Hall that will focus on building a better, safer community for youth in Columbia Heights. Mr. Wellman said short and long-term goals of the Commission will be discussed in an effort to get Columbia Heights youth involved in the community. The meeting is open to 6th-12th grade youth and also any interested adults.

ADJOURNMENT
Having completed all of the items on the regular agenda, Chair Roberts adjourned the meeting at 7:58 p.m.