# Records fall, medals won

## Pasmick nearly gains state berth as NRE fares well at 7A meet

by Tom Coombe

A season of growth in the water couldn't have ended much better for Northeast Range/Ely.

All that was missing from last weekend's Section 7A girls swimming meet was a bid to state and Ely senior Brooke Pasmick, nearly had that, finishing third in the 100 backstroke and missing out on moving on by less than two-tenths of a second.

NRE also returned home from Hibbing with several medals and a slew of team-record and personal-best performances.

Not bad for a team that had just one senior - Pasmick - and was loaded with swimmers in ninth grade or below.

"Today was only the beginning for a young team like ours," said Ely ninth grader Lily Tedrick, who earned two medals at section and set team records in the 200 individual medley and 100 butterfly.

Pasmick, who grabbed individual medals with her third-place finish in the 100 backstroke and an eighth-place showing in the 50 freestyle, said, "I'm so proud of all the girls - they worked so hard this season and deserve it. Thank you to our coaches for helping us achieve our goals. We couldn't have done it without you."

The Nighthawks grabbed four medals in Saturday's championship round, with Pasmick earning two individually and Tedrick (sixth place, 200 individual med-

In the 400 freestyle relay, Pasmick and Tedrick joined eighth-grader Abby Koivis-

to and ninth-grader Morgan McClelland to take sixth in a program-record time of 3:59.49.

The quartet broke their own record of 4:02.19, which they set just two days earlier in the 7A preliminaries.

"I am so excited about the record," said Koivisto. "It's cool that I was able to be part of earning a record and I am proud of everyone else that got one. I thought it was a really good year and I am excited for next year."

NRE, which battled much larger and deeper programs for much of the year, was 10th among 11 teams in the 7A meet.

The Nighthawks scored points in the 7A finals in these events:

- 200 medley relay 11. Esther Anderson, Aili Bee, Maggie Dammann, Cedar Ohlhauser, 2:24.42;
  - 200 individual medley

- 6. Tedrick, 2:27.33;
- 200 freestyle relay 10. Tedrick, Koivisto, McClelland, Ohlhauser, 1:54.53:
- 100 backstroke 3. Pasmick, 1:05.55;
- 400 freestyle relay 6. Pasmick, Tedrick, Koivisto, McClelland, 4:05.30.
- Other preliminary results included:
- 200 freestyle 21. Mc-Clelland, 2;18.26; 34. Esther Anderson, 2:32.22; 39. Anna Larson, 2:37.07; 41. Alice Wolter, 2:37.75;
- 200 individual medley -34. Bee, 2:50.69; 38. Carena DeBeltz, 3:07.68; 39. Alli Krekelberg, 3:17.50;
- 50 freestyle 32. Koivisto, 28:92; 37. Ohlhauser, 30.88; 40. Elizabeth Omerza, 32.28;
- 100 butterfly 33. De-Beltz, 1:31.93; 34. Dammann, 1:32.19; 35. Grace Sundell, 1:34.52:
- 100 freestyle 20. Koivisto, 1:01.79; 36. Lar-



Brooke Pasmick set new team records in the 50 freestyle (25.78), 100 freestyle (58.19) and the 100 backstroke (1:05.55) records. She was also part of the record breaking 400 freestyle relay.

son, 1:09.83; 37. Wolter, 1:10.01; 38. Omerza,

1:11.73;

• 500 freestyle - 21. Mc-Clelland, 6:24.95;

• 100 backstroke - 32. Anderson, 1:19.06; 34. Dammann, 1:20.27; 38. Sundell, 1:27.34;

• 100 backstroke - 23.

Bee, 1:25.92; 31. Ohlhauser, 1:28.27; 41. Evie Cavalier.



Abby Koivisto and ninth-grader Morgan McClelland to take sixth in a programrecord time of 3:59.49.



Lily Tedrick broke the team record in the 200 individual medley (2:27.3) and the 100 butterfly (1:08.17). She was also on the record breaking 400 freestyle relay team.



NORTHEAST RANGE/ELY swimmer Lily Tedrick of Ely comes up for air during the Section 7A swim meet in Hibbing. Photo by Mark Sauer/Mesabi Daily News.



ELY'S Dalton Schreffler #18 was named All-District.

## Two Ely football players named as All-District

Seniors Schreffler, Banks honored

earned All-District honors in high school football and two more have gained honorable mention.

Seniors Dalton Schreffler and Tjae Banks won all-district acclaim as selected by league coaches, while senior Bryce Longwell and sophomore Mason Davis both got honorable mention.

The recognition for Schreffler came despite a season-ending leg injury in an October victory over Northeast Range.

Up to that point, Schreffler was easily the Wolves'

Two Ely Timberwolves most valuable player, anchoring the defense at linebacker while leading Ely's offense from the running back position.

Schreffler ran for nearly 200 yards and three scores before being injured in the 44-6 triumph over the Nighthawks Oct. 4 at Babbitt.

For the season, Schreffler amassed 624 rushing yards, about 400 more than any other Timbewolf, and led the team on defense with 66 tackles despite missing the final four games.

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ELY'S Tjae Banks #88 was named All-District.



MONSTER BUCK - Bonnie Derr of Ely shot this huge 10 point buck that weighed in at 218 pounds.





John Schiefelbein and Fitz Fitzgerald each got "two pointers" in Limpopo South Africa, on the border with Botswana. Impala for Schiefelbein and Kudu for Fitzgerald. They passed on the Minnesota Deer Opener weekend.



FIRST BUCK - Minnesota State Senator Tom Bakk sent in this photo of grandson Ben with a doe he harvested on Oct. 18 during the youth deer season. Bakk said from his Meadow Hunting Club camp near Lake Vermilion, "My dad was one of the original founders back in 1938. We are still hunting the same ground. Ben is the beginning of the fourth generation of hunters here. We enjoyed a hind quarter roast with all the guys last weekend here at the shack. We had a toast to Ben, the shack's newest deerslayer, it was priceless. We had him tell everyone the story of the kill."



PASSED ONCE - Krystal Burger didn't let this buck

get away the second time it came in on the opening

day of the 2019 firearms deer season.

BIG SMILE for Kaitlyn Ronn with a six point buck. The DNR reports in the first two days, there were 254 deer taken in permit area 118, compared to 249 in 2018 and 329 in 2017. Cold weather on Sunday didn't help.



Ely's Brielle Kallberg has become a fixture at an area all-star volleyball game.

For a fourth and final year, Kallberg will play in a contest that bring together the top high school volleyball

players in northeastern Minnesota.

The Ely sophomore will take part in the seventh annual Big Dog All-Star Game, set for Sunday at 4 p.m. at Mesa-

bi Community College in Virginia.

Kallberg will join top-rated players from across the region for the matchup dubbed "The Battle of the Big Dogs" and will play on the "Minnesota Maroon" team with players from Greenway, Chisholm, Cherry, Grand Rapids and Virginia.

They'll tangle with a "Gopher Gold" team comprised of players from Hermantown, Esko, Proctor, Floodwood as well as Northeast Range - which will send highly-touted sophomore standout Hannah Reichensperger.

The all-star selection comes on the heels of a banner senior year for Kallberg, who also earned All-Arrowhead Conference acclaim and helped lead Ely to a school-record 25 victories and a second straight berth in the Section 7A semifinals.

Bound for Minnesota State-Moorhead (see related story), Kallberg developed into one of the region's top hitters and finished her prep career with over 1,000 kills.





Ely senior Brielle Kallberg to play in All Star game.



FIRST DEER - 11 year old John Cooper Schiltz shot his first deer, this nice doe on Monday.



ECHO PHOTOGRAPHER Eric Sherman had his picture taken with a nice six point buck he harvested on the opening weekend of the 2019 season.



New Ely resident and military veteran John Boese made a 370 yard shot to get this huge buck

# Two Ely football players named as All-District

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Banks spent much of the season on the line but moved to running back at times with Schreffler's absence. He had two touchdowns - the only two of his varsity career - and over 50 yards on the ground in a late-season win over Lake of the Woods.

A three-year starter, Banks, was also fifth on the team with 52 tackles.

Longwell was a valuable contributor for the Wolves (2-7) on both offense and defense.

The senior was Ely's starting quarterback and the anchor of the defensive

secondary, coming up with a team-leading six interceptions to go with 52 tackles.

Longwell completed 10 passes for 125 yards and rushed for 124 for the Wolves. Also receiving honorable

mention was Davis, a sophomore who was a two-way starter for Ely.

Davis had 159 yards receiving to pace Ely and added 142 yards on the ground.

He had two touchdowns

in the win over Northeast Range.
On defense Davis wound up with 56 tackles and had an interception.

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ELY athletes Brielle Kallberg and Luke Olson signed national letters of intent last week at Ely Memorial.

# From Ely to the NCAA

## Olson heading to D1 South Dakota; Kallberg to play at D2 Moorhead

by Tom Coombe

Two Ely Timberwolves are taking their games to a new level.

Seniors Luke Olson and Brielle Kallberg, standouts in an array of sports at the high school, both signed letters of intent this week to play collegiate athletics.

Olson has accepted an offer to join the men's track and field team at NCAA Division I South Dakota, while Kallberg is set to play volleyball at Minnesota State-Moorhead, an NCAA Division II school.

Signing ceremonies Wednesday in Ely capped a recruiting process that resulted in significant interest in both Timberwolves.

Olson visited several schools before settling on South Dakota, and Kallberg attracted the attention of numerous college volleyball programs.

A state champion last spring in the 800 meter run, Olson becomes the second Ely athlete to currently compete at the Division I level in track, joining 2017 Ely graduate Josh Heiman, a triple jumper at Army.

season as a track athlete and was a five-time state meet participant in cross country, earning all-state acclaim the last three seasons and back-to-back seventh-place state meet finishes in both his junior and senior campaigns.

He settled on South Dakota over two other schools.

"I visited USD in September and I liked it a lot," said Olson. "I liked the nice, clean campus, the amazing athletic facilities, and the guys on the team. The student-athlete dorms are amazing. The coaches said they have big plans for me and that's exciting to hear. Toward the end of the recruiting process I was trying to decide between three places and I went with what my gut told me."

Like Olson, Kallberg will continue her athletic exploits in college - moving on to Moorhead after a dynamic prep volleyball career in Ely

A starter since her eighth-grader year and an all-conference performer the last four seasons, Kallberg amassed over 1,000 kills during her volleyball

Olson won a state title in his first career and developed into one of northeastern Minnesota's top-all around players.

> The outside hitter helped lift the Wolves to back-to-back Section 7A final four appearances and a school-record 25 wins this season.

Kallberg was also active in off-season volleyball and attracted attention from several schools, including MSU-Moorhead.

"I wanted to go to a medium-size school and I've always wanted to play volleyball in college," said Kallberg. "MSUM is fairly close to home, which I preferred. The main reason for choosing MSUM was because the coaching staff is good at what they do. My future teammates were very welcoming to me and they are skilled volleyball players I'm very excited and thankful to pursue my career in volleyball at a higher level."

Both Olson and Kallberg took part in a signing ceremony Wednesday at the high school.



TRYING to get the puck past Sawyer Chick were Parker Niskala and Jace Davis at Try Hockey for Free.



JUST CHATTING during Try Hockey for Free were Kada Kohr and Elsie Mattila. Photos by Tara Kay.



CELLY for Jace Davis during Try Hockey for Free day.



HELD ANNUALLY at the Ely Ice Arena is the Try Hockey for Free day were kids get a chance to lace up the skates and hit the ice. Photos by Tara Kay Photography.

## Just about everybody reads the Ely Echo





BIG SMILE for Hadleigh Myers at Try Hockey for Free.

## This Week's Sports Schedule METALS MINNESOTA



Saturday

Vermilion/Alumni Game, 3 p.m.

DQ Grill and Chill Classic Gogebic vs. Vermilion, 6 p.m.

Saturday (Nov. 23) DQ Grill and Chill Classic Itasca vs. Vermilion, 2 p.m.

Saturday

COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Vermilion/Alumni Game, 3 p.m.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

DQ Grill and Chill Classic Gogebic vs. Vermilion, 8 p.m.

Saturday (Nov. 23) DQ Grill and Chill Classic Itasca vs. Vermilion, 4 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL **HOCKEY** Fridav

Saturday (Nov. 23)

Kittson Central at Ely, 7 p.m.

Kittson Central at Ely, 1 p.m.

CO Sean Williams (Ely 1) reports: Snow and cold weather seemed to aid hunters for the opening weekend of the regular firearms seasons. Success was limited but most hunters he spoke to reported seeing a good amount of fresh deer sign and at least fleeting glimpses of deer. Violations included: Hunting deer over bait, and no license in possession.

CO John Velsvaag (Ely) checked deer hunters this past week. He also checked a few waterfowl hunters before freeze up at the end of the week. CO Velsvaag had several calls about party hunting and baiting deer.

CO Thomas Wahlstrom (Grand Marais) spent time checking deer hunters during the opening weekend. The officer responded to complaints and followed up bait cases. Enforcement action was taken for hunting over bait, transporting loaded firearms, ports checking multiple huntno blaze orange, fail to tag deer, fail to validate tag and ATV violations.

CO Mary Manning (Hovland) worked a busy deer opener and week leading up to it. Numerous deer stands and hunting locations were scouted for illegal baiting. CO Manning and CO Hill contacted one group on them of some apples and firearms before sending them off with some paperwork. The process was repeated the following morning, but with the most delicious smelling bait block the officer has encountered.

CO Bermel (Babbitt) and COC Larson worked on ATV enforcement and searched for baited deer stands leading up to the deer season. Enforcement action was taken on transporting a loaded firearm, hunting over bait, hunting without a deer license, hunting without blaze orange, open bottle on an ATV, and an untagged deer. A possible trespass complaint was followed up on.

CO David Schottenbauer (Silver Bay) worked area deer hunting activity. Time was also spent checking a few that ventured out for very early ice fishing.

CO Kylan Hill (Tofte) reers during opening weekend of the firearms deer season. The weather was cold and hunters on the shore were not as successful as they would have liked. Hill did notice, however, that the majority of the hunters who he spoke with who harvested deer were successful during late morning/early afternoon. It shooting from road at a big

others go in for coffee. A trio of hunters was cited for hunting with the aid of bait after they scattered leftover apples near their stand location. Hill assisted a neighboring officer by tracking down a hunter suspected of transporting an untagged deer.

CO Don Murray (Two Harbors) worked a cold and quiet deer opener along the North shore. Not many deer were seen hanging on the camp pole but hunters were out enjoying the outdoors. Murray checked the first ice anglers of the season with some small lakes already having 4 inches of ice. Enforcement action was taken for licensing violations and possession of a small amount of marijuana.

### District 5 - Eveleth area

CO Darrin Kittelson (International Falls) reports week prior and opening weekend of firearms deer season were busy as always. Hunters' reports were good with most seeing deer as the cold weather had the deer moving. People are reminded that it's the hunter's responsibility to read the labels of the blocks that they place in the woods and hunt over. Enforcement action taken included hunting over bait,

lending licenses, fail to validate site tag, and trespassing.

CO John Slatinski IV (Ray) As usual for this time of year the firearms deer season becomes the focus of a significant portion of the population, both hunters and non-hunters. During this two week period attitudes toward hunting and hunters are often developed. Lack of respect for property owners is a common complaint heard this time of year. Whitefish netters are still searching for open access points to set and tend nets. A couple groups were encountered this past week tent camping. One man said his wife told him not to come home if he didn't bring any whitefish with him. ATV regulations are still in effect during the firearms deer season and include additional restrictions. Operators and passengers under 18 still need to wear a helmet.

CO Troy Fondie (Orr) reports the deer season was a non-event locally with the fewest number of hunters he has seen. A number of camps were vacant. Very few deer were observed harvested. Equipment work continues. Most lakes have frozen over.

CO Shane Zavodnik (Cook) Encountered more hunters attempting to take seeing deer being harvested over the weekend. CO Zavodnik and Captain Patten witnessed an individual who stated he was watching his land for trespassers but later admitted to hunting deer. Further investigation revealed the hunter was hunting over bait and had not purchased a deer license. The CO also responded to a call early in the morning involving a nearly hypothermic driver whose vehicle went off the road and into water. After ensuring that the driver was clear of any

District 6-Two Harbors area opening morning- relieving pays to stay in the stand while game animal, borrowing deer over bait, than actually there may have been more factors involving the vehicle going off the road. The driver was found to be operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol and drugs.

CO Marc Hopkins (Tower) The officer did not see many deer harvested on opening weekend. Hunters agreed that the deer were not moving much. The officer spent most of the opener dealing with hunting over bait issues. Numerous citations were issued and firearms seized. The officer is investigating a trespass complaint and closed an injuries, Zavodnik sensed illegal bear case.

### ELY POOL LEAGUE

Week of Thursday, Nov. 7

		4000			
TEAM			WEEKLY		
STANDINGS	WIN	LOST	POINTS	TOTAL	AVG.
ROADHOUSE II	4	1	142	1096	34.2
BOATHOUSE BILLIARDS	3	2	119	1077	33.6
DEES DEMS & DOES	3 1/2	1 1/2	130	1072	33.5
SAMZ I	1	4	113	1062	33.1
KWAZY WABBITT II	4	1	150	1061	33.1
SAMZ II	4	1	129	1056	33.0
BOATHOUSE BREWERS	5	0	153	1051	32.8
STEAK HOUSE III	4	1	148	1030	32.1
CATZ OUT OF TOWNERS	4	1	145	1023	31.9
KWAZY WABBITT I	2	3	113	1001	31.2
CATZ PACK	1	4	122	998	31.1
CATZ GEEZERS	1	4	125	998	31.1
STEAKHOUSE STEERS	0	5	91	992	31.0
DEES/VFW	1	4	118	986	30.8
CATZ BILLIARDS II	1 1/2	3 1/2	130	968	30.2
ROADHOUSE I	1	4	123	954	29.8

### **POSITION OPENING ELY PUBLIC SCHOOLS Substitute Custodians**

Ely Public Schools is taking applications for as needed substitute custodians for the 2019-2020 school year: \$14.52/hr.; background check required. Contact Facilities Director Tim Leeson at (218) 343-3457 or tleeson@ely.k12.mn.us if you have questions. Applications available at www.ely.k12.mn.us or in the District Office, 2nd floor of the Memorial Building; return application to: ISD #696, Attn: Superintendent, 600 E. Harvey St., Ely, MN 55731.

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## Alumni games, DQ Classic will jumpstart hoops season at VCC

by Tom Coombe

College basketball season gets underway in earnest this week in Ely.

In the span of a week, the Vermilion Ironmen and Ironwomen will tip off against their alumni counterparts and host their annual season-opening

The action starts today at 3 p.m., when first the Ironwomen and then the Ironmen hold their annual alumni

Former Vermilion standouts will return to their old stomping grounds to take on the current teams in a women's and men's doubleheader.

Both Vermilion teams will follow up Friday, the opening day of the DQ Grill and Chill Classic - a tournament that dates back to the early-1990s.

It's a new era of sorts at Vermilion with both programs welcoming new

Reed Petersen, a 2001 graduate of Elv High School and the starting center on a Timberwolves team that won

The big turkey day is a few

weeks away, but on his head is his

turkey hunting hat with the single

he shot over 20 years ago. It was,

And his sense of humor about

big wing feather from a turkey

and is, the only one to date.

all of it, is wonderful. He was

invited to a turkey hunt in south-

ern Minnesota. They scoured the

landscape that fall for days never

seeing a bird. Then the morning

farmyard was a big ole tom bird

he is leaving, walking through the

the Section 7A title, has taken over as men's basketball coach following the retirement of Paul McDonald, who led the Ironmen for 29 seasons.

Nicki Kosik, who also coaches volleyball at VCC, has taken the reins of the women's basketball program and replaces Krystal Brodeen.

Both Vermilion teams are retooling for the 2019-20 season.

The Ironmen welcome back two starters from last winter - Curtis Bell and Taray Graves - while sophomores Kengi Bryant and Devarius Davis also return.

They're part of a 14-member VCC squad.

"Our four returners are all showing great leadership and setting an excellent example for the rest of the team," said Petersen. "They are making my job a lot easier."

Terri Sutton and Alexis Hughes are both back in the Ironwomen's lineup this winter, and key newcomers include Keena Alik and Ely native Shawna

that he shot. Turns out it was a

neighbor's bird out for a stroll.

do. It will be ruffed grouse or

maybe a spruce or two, perhaps

a stray mallard out of a pond we

shoreline stroll. I always hope for

at least one mallard, and a wood

a present from Mother Nature if

I'm lucky enough to get one.

duck, my personal favorite, is like

He looks outside, says to his

She says, "Yes, and it's a wool

wife, "I think it's a Filson day."

But hunting, we're going to

Trout Whisperer - A big tom...turkey

Butler.

"Our returning players are stepping up to help us grow and improve," said Kosik. "We are excited for the season and hope to improve each game."

Both Vermilion teams will be tested by the alumni today, and that leads up to the DQ Grill and Chill Classic, which includes four games on Friday and four more on Saturday, Nov. 23.

The action begins at 2 p.m. Friday with a women's game between Itasca and Rainv River, while the men's teams from both schools are next up at 4 p.m.

Vermilion takes the court against Gogebic for the evening session, with a 6 p.m. women's tilt and the men's teams to follow at 8 p.m.

The schedule for Saturday, Nov. 23 follows a classic format, with Rainy River and Gogebic to square off in women's and men's action at 10 a.m. and noon, respectively.

Vermilion and Itasca follow, with the women's game at 2 p.m. followed by the men with a 4 p.m. tipoff.

sock day and don't forget your

before supper."

for dinner."

scarf, and you to be home an hour

He kisses her, he says, "I'll try

not to wear the kid out, I'll make

sure we're home in plenty of time

Once out the door, he says to me, "We must be back before the

I say, "Sure, now let's go find

Gophers game starts this after-

one of those turkeys, shall we."

~ *The trout whisperer* 

noon, is that okay?"

STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS

DISTRICT COURT PROBATE DIVISION SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT Court File No. 69VI-PR-19-138

ESTATE OF BERNARD FRANK URBAS A/K/A BERNARD URBAS, Decedent

NOTICE AND ORDER FOR HEARING ON PETITION FOR DESCENT

A Petition for Determination of Descent has been filed with this The Petition represents that the Decedent died more than three years ago, leaving property in Minnesota and requests the pro-bate of Decedent's last will, if any, and the descent of such property be determined and assigned by this Court to the persons entitled to the property.

Any objections to the Petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper, and no objections are filed or raised, the Petition may be granted. IT IS ORDERED and Notice is further given that the Petition will be heard on December 11, 2019, at 9:30 a.m. by this Court at 300 S. 5th Avenue, Virginia, Minnesota. (1) Notice shall be given to all interested persons (Minn. Stat. 524.1-401) and persons who have filed a demand for notice pursuant to Minn. Stat. 524.3-204 (2) Notice shall be given by pub-

lishing this Notice and Order as

provided by law and by: Mailing

a copy of this Notice and Order at

least 14 days prior to the hearing

Dated: 10/31/2019

Robert C. Friday, Judge Amy Turnquist, Court Adminis-Chelsea Opdahl, Deputy

Attorney for Petitioner: Kelly M. Klun (#389369) KLÚN LAW FÌRM, P.A. P.O. Box 240 Ely, MN 55731 Phone: 218-365-3221 Fax: 218-365-5866

is involved in the Community Care team so he is aware of the resources that are

11.2 Director Sjoberg – Would like to keep things moving forward with

12.0 Moved by Pointer, seconded by

available

negotiations.

## School Board Meeting Minutes October 14, 2019 (Board approved 11/12/2019)

1.0 The regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 696 was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Marsnik. 2.0 On roll call the following directors

were present: Colarich, Mann, Marsnik, Omerza, Pointer, Sjoberg. Also present: Erik Erie, Superintendent; Tom Coombe, Ely Echo; Keith Vandervort, Timberjay, Megan Anderson, Anne Oelke, Tim

3.0 Pledge of Allegiance 4.0 Moved by Colarich, seconded by

Sjoberg, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried. (Vote: 6-0) 5.0 Open Forum: None 6.0 The following correspondence/

informational items were presented: 6.1 Student Council Representative Luke Olson was present and gave an update on homecoming that was held in September. They had a blood drive last week and will be starting to work on planning

Winter Frolic. Winter Fronc.
6.2 AFSCME Local No. 295 Seniority list
6.3 Home school enrollment 2019-2020
(17 as of 10-8-2019)
7.0 Consent Agenda:
7.1 Moved by Sjoberg, seconded by

Pointer, to approve the following Program Consent Agenda: 7.1.1 Approved the minutes of the regular

meeting of September 9, 2019. 7.1.2 Approved the minutes of the study session of September 23, 2019.

7.1.3 Approved the minutes of the special meeting of September 23, 2019.

7.1.4 Approved the September 2019 disbursements and wire transfers in the amount of \$260,711.94 and receipts in the amount of \$637,137.75.

1.5 Approved the September 2019 financial reports as presented: Total monthly receipt: \$637,137.75; total monthly payroll: \$224,693.73; total fringe benefits: \$201,826.94; invoices: \$155,014.73; total monthly expenditures: \$581,535.40; total revenue over expenditures: \$55,602.35.

7.1.6 Approved the following donations and gifts: 1. \$10,000 from the Ely Education Foundation to be used for the Science Club; 2. \$1,000.00 from April Cornish/Medtronic Your Cause to be used for Washington playground phase 2; 3. \$1,500.00 from Story Portage to be used for free little libraries.

7.1.7 Approved the senior class trip to Washington, D.C. March 26-30, 2020. 7.1.8 Adopted Resolution Establishing Combined Polling Places for Multiple Which the Polling places will Remain Open for Voting for School District Elections Not Held on the Day of a Statewide Election. Motion carried. (Vote: 6-0)

7.2 Moved by Mann, seconded by Colarich, to approve the Personnel Consent Agenda: 7.2.1 This item was pulled for a separate

vote.
7.2.2 Approved the following for renewal of positions with the 2019 fall musical as recommended by Tom Coombe, per school board policy: James Lah
– Director; Sarah Mason – Musical
Director; Molly Olson – Choreography; Ruth Lah - Costumer; Bonnie Starkman – Accompanist; Peter Kess – Set Tech. 7.2.3 Approved Robert Castellano as a

ubstitute teacher. 2.4 Accepted the resignation from Kristi Johnson from the paraprofessional position effective at the end of the work day on Wednesday, October 16, 2019. Motion carried. (Vote: 6-0)

7.2.1 Approved Megan Devine as Assistant Cross Country coach for the 2019-2020 season as recommended by Tom Coombe, Athletic Director with the full stipend of \$1,980. Yes: Colarich, Mann, Marsnik, Omerza, Sjoberg. No: Pointer. Motion carried. (Vote: 5-1)

8.0 Old Business:

8.1 Facilities project update
8.2 School Perceptions survey update
8.3 Moved by Pointer, seconded by Colarich, to accept the quote of \$4,353.00 from Gartner Temperature Controls for boiler maintenance. Motion carried.

9.1 Moved by Sjoberg, seconded by Mann, to change the Monday, November 11 regular meeting to Tuesday, November 12 at 6 p.m. Motion carried. (Vote: 6-0) 9.2 Moved by Pointer, seconded by Sjoberg, to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Krekelberg Home School for boys and girls basketball, boys and girls track, and baseball, effective the 2019-2020 season. Motion carried.

(Vote: 6-0) 9.3 Moved by Sjoberg, seconded by Colarich, to approve the request to hang a banner at the arena, recognizing the accomplishments of the Pee Wee youth hockey team that advanced to the state tournament last season. Motion carried. (Vote: 6-0)

9.4 Moved by Omerza, seconded by Mann, to approve the 2019-2020 Q-Comp budget. Yes: Colarich, Mann, Marsnik, Omerza, Sjoberg. No: Pointer. Motion carried. (Vote: 5-1)

9.5 Moved by Colarich, seconded by Sjoberg, to approve the new Superintendent job description. Motion carried. (Vote: 6-0)

10.0 Reports: 10.1 Athletic Director – Tom Coombe 10.1.1 Fortunate to be back in the gym

earlier than anticipated.

10.2 Director of Facilities – Tim Leesor 10.2.1 Gym was completed last Wednesday and activities have resumed. 10.2.2 A new juice machine will be added to the cafeteria.

10.2.3 Working on getting someone to attend the November meeting to discuss the district's roofing needs. 10.2.4 Would like a thank you sent to the City of Ely for their help with pumping the water after the Sept. 17 storm.
10.3 K-5 Principal – Anne Oelke
10.3.1 American Reading Company –

Onboarding all teachers to new ELA curriculum, continuous professional development and literacy coaching for

10.3.2 WIN Time = What I Need - Each student works with a small group with a trained staff on the individualized reading skill that they need – 30 minutes each day. 10.3.3 Playground Benches – Acquired the funds for the two benches and garbage cans. 10.3.4 Backpack Buddies – Elementary

gives 35 backpacks every Friday with weekend food for students through collaboration with Ely Community Resources and United Way.

10.3.5 Vocabulary Parade – 7th Annual school wide vocabulary parade Oct. 31.

10.3.6 Upcoming dates 10.4 6-12 Principal – Megan Anderson 10.4.1 Homecoming week was eptember 23-27.

10.4.2 Flood the Community Friday went very well, with students and staff excited

to do this again.

10.4.3 ECR and the American Lung
Association hosted a vaping presentation for families on Oct. 7. 10.4.4 Students attended a College Fair a

Hibbing Community College on Sept. 10. 10.4.5 Students attended the 218 Trades Skilled Trades Expo in Eveleth on Oct. 8. 10.4.6 6th Grade students participated in Boreal Forest Day at Bear Head Lake State Park and a STEM workshop in

Hibbing. 10.4.7 Our Veteran's Day program will be held Monday, Nov. 11 at 10 a.m. in

the gym. 10.4.8 2019 MCA Assessment Report 10.5 Superintendent – Erik Erie 10.5.1 MSBA Leadership Conference

will be held January 16-17, 2020. 10.5.2 Working on dates for negotiations. 10.5.3 Will attend Ely Planning and

Zoning meeting Wednesday, Oct. 16. 10.5.4 Draft of Superintendent goals will be sent out for review. 10.5.5 Choir concert tonight and the volleyball team set a new school record. 11.0 Board Members Comments and

11.1 Director Omerza – John Townsend

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Rochelle Sjoberg, Clerk School Board Study Session October 29, 2019 (Board approved 11/12/2019)

Colarich to adjourn at 7:28 p.m.

The study session of the School Board of Independent School District No. 696 was called to order by Chairman Marsnik at 6:00 p.m. in the

school board meeting room.

2.0 On roll call the following directors were present: Colarich, Mann, Marsnik, Omerza, Pointer, Sjoberg.
4.0 Bill Foster from School
Perceptions presented the preliminary
Community Survey results to the board.
4.0 Moved by Pointer, seconded
by Colarich to adjourn at 6:30 p.m.

Rochelle Sjoberg, Clerk

Motion carried. Vote: (6-0)