Sheldon Community School District
Meeting Minutes

Regular Board Meeting
10/13/2021 05:00 PM
High School Library

Attendees

Voting Members
Kecia Hickman, President
Susan Rensink, Vice President
Jessica Brink, Board Member
Lori Richards, Board Member
Steve Waldstein, Board Member

I. Call to order – Roll Call

At 5:00 PM, Board President Kecia Hickman called the meeting to order with the following members present: Jessica Brink, Lori Richards, Steve Waldstein, Susan Rensink and Kecia Hickman. Superintendent Cory Myer and Board Secretary Tracy Meyer were also present. Administrators attending: Sherrie Zeutenhorst, High School Principal, Jason Groendyke, Elementary School Principal and Eric Maassen, Activities Director. Cindy Barwick, Middle School Principal joined the meeting at 6:13 PM. Visitors: 11 Press: 1

II. Approval of Agenda

Board President called for a motion to approve the agenda as published.

Motion made by: Jessica Brink
Motion seconded by: Steve Waldstein
Voting: Unanimously Approved

III. Communications

A. Public Comment

None.

B. Correspondence

1. Receipt of "Thank You" Cards

Iola Whitsell

C. Recognition

Board Members received student recognition lists prior to the meeting and there were no additions.

D. Educational Presentation - East Elementary

Mr. Buchholtz and Mrs. Hennings shared highlights from East Elementary's "Love for Reading" kickoff on September 17. Fourth grade students Norah Strouth, Kade Sneiderman and Margot Michels shared their favorite parts of the day.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes of Past Meeting(s)

Minutes from the previous month's meeting were available for the Board to review.

B. Approve Bills

Jessica Brink reviewed bills prior to the meeting and recommended all bills for payment.

C. Open Enrollment Application(s)

Superintendent Myer recommended the Board approve the Open Enrollment Applications as presented:

- E.R., a 9th grade student Open Enrolling from the HMS Community School District into the Sheldon Community School District.
- W.C., a 7th grade student Open Enrolling from the HMS Community School District into the Sheldon Community School District.
- A.W., a 2nd grade student Open Enrolling from the MOC-FV Community School District into the Sheldon Community School District.

D. Resignations

Superintendent Myer recommended the Board approve the resignations as submitted:

- Barb Davis, Food Service
- Katie Lindemann, East Elementary Paraeducator

E. Contract Adjustments

Superintendent Myer recommended the Board approve the following contract adjustments:

- Tyler Johnson, from 9th Grade Baseball Coach to JV Baseball Coach
- Nick Huff, from JV Baseball Coach to Varsity Baseball Coach
- Kim Petersen, Food Service, from 3 ½ to 3 ¾ hours

F. Contracts Offered

Superintendent Myer recommended the Board approve the following contracts:

- Jade Gonnerman, Instructional Associate, 6.75 hours per day at $12 per hour
- Bri Oetken, School Social Worker, 24 hours per week at $25 per hour
- Cliff St. Clair, Assistant Boys Soccer Coach, $3,655
- Andrew Kingery, 9th grade Girls Basketball Coach, $3,526
- Samantha Araica Gonzalez, Sub Bus Driver
- Darla Sauer, Sub Special Ed. Bus Driver

G. Human Resources Director Operational Sharing Agreement

Superintendent Myer recommended the Board approve the Human Resources Director Operational Sharing Agreement with George-Little Rock, Harris-Lake Park, Sibley-Ocheyedan, and Boyden-Hull.

H. Acceptance of Donations

Prairie Queen Kiwanis - $500

Board President called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented.

Motion made by: Lori Richards
Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink
Voting: Unanimously Approved

V. Reports

A. Financial Reports

Board Members received financial reports to include the Cash & Investment Report, Bank Reconciliations, Nutrition and Activity Fund Reports.

Board President called for a motion to approve the prior month's financial reports as presented.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink
Motion seconded by: Steve Waldstein
Voting: Unanimously Approved

B. Board Member Reports

Lori Richards attended the O'Brien County Conference Board meeting and provided a report.

C. Administration

1. Elementary School Principal

Jason Groendyke, Elementary Principal, provided a written report for Board Members and was available for questions.

2. Middle School Principal

Cindy Barwick, Middle School Principal, provided a written report for Board Members and was available for questions.

3. High School Principal

Sherrie Zeutenhorst, High School Principal, provided a written report for Board Members and was available for questions.

4. Activity Director

Eric Maassen, Activities Director, provided a written report for Board Members and was available for questions.

5. **Superintendent**

a. **ECF Funding**
Superintendent Myer reported that the district applied for Emergency Connectivity Fund (ECF) funding; the district was selected and will receive $108,873.65 to assist with purchasing student and staff devices/computers.

b. **Revenue Purpose Statement**
Superintendent Myer shared information on the Revenue Purpose Statement on the November 2 ballot.

c. **Preschool Building**
Superintendent Myer provided an update on the preschool building - January 15, 2022 is the anticipated completion date.

d. **Waterway Cleanout**
Superintendent Myer shared plans to address the overgrown vegetation in the waterway between the new preschool building and the bike trail. NCC's heavy equipment program will remove the vegetation with the cost to be shared between Sheldon CSD, City of Sheldon and adjoining property owners.

e. **Iowa School Finance Information Services (ISFIS) Building Blocks Training Videos**
Board members viewed the Iowa School Finance Basics Module created by Iowa School Finance Information Services (ISFIS) prior to the meeting and discussed at the meeting.

f. **November School Board Meeting - Monday, November 15**
The November School Board Meeting will be Monday, November 15.

VI. Old Business

None.

VII. New Business

A. Special Education Allowable Growth & Supplemental Aid
Superintendent Myer recommended the Board authorize the request for allowable growth and supplemental aid for special education in the amount of $163,880.48, the amount overspent in special education.

Motion made by: Steve Waldstein
Motion seconded by: Jessica Brink
Voting: Unanimously Approved

B. American Education Week Proclamation
Superintendent Myer recommended the Board adopt the following proclamation regarding American Education Week:
WHEREAS, public schools are the backbone of our democracy, providing young people with the tools they need to maintain our nation's precious values of freedom, civility, and equality; and

WHEREAS, by equipping young Americans with both practical skills and broader intellectual abilities, schools give them hope for, and access to, a productive future; and

WHEREAS, education employees – be they custodians or teachers, bus drivers or librarians – work tirelessly to serve our children and communities with care and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, schools are community linchpins, bringing together adults and children, educators and volunteers, business leaders and elected officials in a common enterprise;

NOW, THEREFORE, We do hereby proclaim November 15-19, 2021, as the annual observance of American Education Week in our community.

Motion made by: Jessica Brink
Motion seconded by: Lori Richards
Voting: Unanimously Approved

C. Board Policy Review
Superintendent Myer presented first reading for Board Policies 600-603.1, Education Program.

D. Application For Early Graduation

Board Members received requests for early graduation from two high school seniors who would like to graduate at the end of first semester. Each of these students are on course to complete all the necessary graduation requirements.

Motion made by: Steve Waldstein
Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink
Voting: Unanimously Approved

VIII. Announcements

A. IASB Annual Convention, Nov. 17-18, 2021, Des Moines

B. NSBA Annual Conference & Exposition, April 2-4, 2022, San Diego, CA

IX. Adjourn

There being no further business, Board President Kecia Hickman called for a motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 6:36 PM.

Motion made by: Steve Waldstein
Motion seconded by: Lori Richards
Voting: Unanimously Approved

Chairperson

Secretary