Sheldon Community School District
Meeting Minutes

Regular Board Meeting
02/11/2019 05:00 PM
High School Library

Attendees

Voting Members
Kecia Hickman, President
Susan Rensink, Vice President
Jessica Brink, Board Member
Lori Richards, 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: Kecia Hickman, Susan Rensink, Lori Richards and Jessica Brink. Mark Brown was absent. Superintendent Cory Myer and Board Secretary LaDonn Hartzell were present. Administrators present: Sherrie Zeutenhorst, High School Principal and Jason Groendyke, Elementary Principal. Cindy Barwick, Middle School Principal was absent due to a middle school wrestling meet and Activities Director Eric Maassen was absent due to tournament basketball.
Press: Rachel McDonald, KIWA Radio; Joe Fisher, Iowa Information
Visitors: Megan Fitzgerald, Aniston DeGroot, Tallulah Noack, Kaden Bracy, Hudson Frankenstein, Larie DeGroot, Andie DeGroot, Ari DeGroot, Ron Noack, Nickie Bracy, Beth Frankenstein, Calista Frankenstein, Jade Frankenstein

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Superintendent Myer reported that Item V. Receive Sheldon Education Association's Initial Collective Bargaining Proposal will not be addressed at this meeting. Board President called for a motion to approve the agenda, striking Item V.
Motion made by: Jessica Brink
Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink
Voting
Unanimously Approved

III. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Public Comment
None.
B. Correspondence
1. NW AEA Board Meeting Minutes - January Board Meeting
Board Members received NWAEA Board Meeting Minutes of 01.21.19.
2. Receipt of "Thank You" Cards
None.
C. Recognition
1. Student
Board Members received a list for recognition of high school speech students, as well as a Congratulations letter from the Iowa High School Speech Association for the honors awarded to these students.
D. Educational Program - East Elementary
Kindergarten teacher, Megan Fitzgerald was present with four of her students,
Kaden Bracy, Hudson Frankenstein, Aniston DeGroot and Tallulah Noack, who demonstrated some of the learning activities using their iPads. The students interacted with the Board Members and showed them various activities.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Minutes of Past Meeting(s)
Board Members reviewed the minutes of January 16, 2019.
B. Approve Bills
Kecia Hickman reviewed bills this month and recommended all bills for payment.

C. Open Enrollment Application(s)

Superintendent Myer recommended the following Open Enrollment Applications:

- M.B., 12th gr, from HMS CSD to Sheldon CSD
- A.R., 1st gr, from GLR CSD to Sheldon CSD
- G.G., 2nd gr, from HMS CSD to Sheldon CSD
- M.G., Kdgn, from HMS CSD to Sheldon CSD(19-20 school year)

D. Resignation(s)

Superintendent Myer recommended the following resignations:
Gayle Roelfs, Bus Driver (effective 03.13.19)
Chris Walker, Elementary teacher (effective end of 2018-19 school year)
Shelby Bosma, National Honor Society sponsor (eff. end of 2018-19 school year)

E. Contract Adjustment(s)

None.

F. Contract(s) Offered

Superintendent Myer recommended the following soccer coaching contracts:
Tammy Keepers, Head Girls Soccer Coach $4823
Shelby Bosma, Ass't Girls Soccer Coach $3279
Ludwin Arana-Marroquin, Head Boys Soccer Coach $4823
Sibley-Ocheyedan hopes to recommend the Ass't Boys Soccer Coach

G. Board Policy Review

Board Members expressed concern for Board Policies regarding the consent agenda and asked Superintendent Myer to correct Board Policy 210.8. Board Members agreed to approve the Consent Agenda items, but to table the second reading of this section of Board Policy until the next meeting. Board President called for a motion to table this item until the March Board Meeting.
Motion made by: Jessica Brink
Motion seconded by: Lori Richards
Voting
Unanimously Approved

H. Acceptance of Gifts/Donations

None.
Board President called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented.
Motion made by: Susan Rensink
Motion seconded by: Lori Richards
Voting
Unanimously Approved

V. RECEIVE SHELDON EDUCATION ASSOCIATION'S INITIAL COLLECTIVE BARGAINING PROPOSAL

This item will be addressed prior to the Special Board Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 20, 2019, 4:30 PM.

VI. REPORTS

A. Financial Reports

Board Members reviewed 01.31.19 financial reports, including bank reconciliations, Budget Monitor Report, and Categorical Report. Board President called for a motion to approve financial reports as presented.
Motion made by: Lori Richards
Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink
Voting
Unanimously Approved

B. Board Member Reports

None.

C. Special Reports

None.

D. Administration

1. Elementary School Principal

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

2. Middle School Principal

Cindy Barwick, Middle School Principal provided a written report for Board Members, but was not present at this meeting.

3. High School Principal

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

4. Activities Director

Eric Maassen, Activities Director was not present but provided a written report for the Board Members.

5. Superintendent

a. Financial Health Report

Superintendent Myer provided an extensive Financial Health Report for the district, including comparative data from 2014-15 through 2017-18.

b. Plain Talk on Literacy Conference

Superintendent Myer shared highlights from the Plain Talk on Literacy Conference he and six teachers attended in New Orleans from February 3-6.

The following teachers attended the conference: Instructional Coach Carla Kleinwolterink, and teachers Liz Nilson, Heather Keizer, Samantha Van Sloten, Jeri Kruger, and Matt Dykstra.

c. Legislative Update

Superintendent Myer provided a legislative update for information.

d. Staffing Update

Superintendent Myer shared a list of positions currently available and advertised in the district.

e. Superintendent Evaluation

Superintendent Myer reviewed the Board Goals and Superintendent's Goals for 2018-19. The Board should plan to conduct the next session for Superintendent Evaluation following the March 13 Board Meeting.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. High School 2019-20 Registration Handbook

Sherrie Zeutenhorst reviewed the proposed changes for the High School 2019-20 Registration Handbook. Board President called for a motion to approve the handbook for printing.

Motion made by: Jessica Brink

Motion seconded by: Lori Richards

Voting

Unanimously Approved

B. Preschool

Superintendent Myer updated Board Members on the preschool conversations with Childrens World. Board Members can expect to learn more next month.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider School Bus Purchase

Superintendent Myer reported Transportation Director Mark Pritts has been looking at good used buses as well as new buses and recommended the Board award the bus bid to Thomas Bus Sales, Inc. for the purchase of a 2016 Thomas C2, 65-passenger bus at the cost of $66,638.

Bids considered were as follows:

Thomas Bus Sales, 2016 Thomas C2, 65-passenger with 19,818 miles--$66,638
Thomas Bus Sales, 2016 Thomas C2, 65-passenger with 49,580 miles--$61,499
Thomas Bus Sales, 2016 Thomas C2, 65-passenger with 47,973 miles--$61,499
Thomas Bus Sales, 2016 Thomas C2, 65-passenger with 46,898 miles--$61,499
Hoglund Companies, 2016 IC, 65-passenger with 45,828 miles--$60,000

Hoglund Companies, 2016 IC, 65-passenger with 44,859 miles--$60,000
School Bus Sales, 2014 Blue Bird, 72-passenger with 15,000 miles--$79,000
School Bus Sales, 2016 Blue Bird, 72-passenger with 45,000 miles--$77,500
School Bus Sales, Blue Bird, 77-passenger with 48,742 miles--$62,000
School Bus Sales, 2016 Blue Bird, 78-passenger with 49,316 miles--$76,000
School Bus Sales, 2014 Blue Bird, 84-passenger with 70,870 miles--$68,000
School Bus Sales, 2015 Blue Bird, 72-passenger with 47,169 miles--$71,000
School Bus Sales, 2015 Blue Bird, 72-passenger with 26,986 miles--$75,000
Motion made by: Lori Richards
Motion seconded by: Jessica Brink
Voting
Unanimously Approved

B. Consider Advertising Request

Board Members considered a request from the Lions Club for advertising on the fence surrounding the Sports Complex, owned and operated by the City of Sheldon and the Sheldon Community School District. In the past, the City-owned ball fields offered advertising ($250 per banner) on the fences through the Lions Club, but those ball fields are not used as much since the Sports Complex has been completed. Many of the businesses who provided advertising on the City-owned fields have discontinued their ads due to fewer games played there.

Board Members agreed the Lions Club does so many good things for the community, but were not ready to approve the request. Board President called for a motion, but there were none. No action taken.

C. Approve Wrestling Sharing Agreement Between Sheldon CSD & South O'Brien CSD

Superintendent Myer recommended the Board approve the continuation of the wrestling sharing agreement between Sheldon Community School District and South O'Brien Community School District for 2019-20 and 2020-21.
Motion made by: Jessica Brink
Motion seconded by: Lori Richards
Voting
Unanimously Approved

D. Health Insurance Rates/Plan Changes

Superintendent Myer reported Iowa Star Schools will increase health insurance premiums by 1% for the 2019-20 fiscal year. The minimal increase is possible due to some prescription benefit changes, co-insurance increases and slight deductible increases for HSA plans.
Board President called for a motion to approve the 1% premium increase, as well as the plan changes as outlined.
Motion made by: Susan Rensink
Motion seconded by: Jessica Brink
Voting
Unanimously Approved

E. Board Policy Review

Board Members reviewed Board Policies 211-218 for first reading.

F. Board Development - At The Board Table

At 7:15 PM, Board President polled those present to table the Board Development--At the Board Table, due to poor winter weather conditions. Board President called for a motion to table this activity until the March Board Meeting.
Motion made by: Jessica Brink
Motion seconded by: Lori Richards
Voting
Unanimously Approved

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Special Meeting/Board Workshop, Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at 5:00 pm
B. NSBA National Conference, March 30-April 1, 2019, Philadelphia, PA
C. IASB Policy Leadership and Legal Issues, Thursday, April 18, 2019, Altoona
D. IASB Fiscal Management Conference, Wednesday, July 17, 2019, Ames

X. EXEMPT CLOSED SESSION (Collective Bargaining Strategy Session)

A. Motion to Enter Exempt Session

At 7:17 PM, Board President called for a motion to enter exempt session as allowed under Chapter 20, Section 20.17 (3) of the Iowa Code to conduct a strategy meeting of a public employer concerning the employees covered by a collective bargaining agreement.
Motion made by: Jessica Brink
Motion seconded by: Lori Richards
Voting
Unanimously Approved

B. Motion to End Exempt Session

At 7:23 PM, Board President called for a motion to exit exempt session.
Motion made by: Jessica Brink
Motion seconded by: Lori Richards
Voting
Unanimously Approved

XI. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Board President called for a motion to adjourn.
Meeting adjourned at 7:23 PM.
Motion made by: Susan Rensink
Motion seconded by: Jessica Brink
Voting
Unanimously Approved

Chairperson

Secretary