

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SD #4

The trustees met in regular session, Monday, March 21, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the library. Those present throughout the meeting were Chair Rhonda Hogstad, Superintendent Brent Lipp, Trustee Billie Bergstrom, Business Manager Jeanne Carroll, Trustee, Joel Junso, and Trustee, Manny Zuniga.

The chair called the meeting to order and led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

Rhonda added resignation under new business. Manny made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Joel seconded. All in favor.

CONSENT AGENDA

Month in Review

Mr. Lipp reviewed his administrative report with the trustees:

ADMIN REPORT

- SBAC testing starts in a couple of weeks for all grades. He feels that our students and teachers are well-prepared and have worked hard leading up to this. He will be asking the teachers not to assign homework during this time so students have fresh minds for testing. Brent said just as a side note, common core was not a federal decision, it was decided by the states. He feels common core is good as it is the standards. Science standards are next. Mrs. Brug is piloting a science program that she researched. She will be putting a kit together for it.
- Art night was a huge success with over sixty students attending. The door masterpiece that was created is in the cafeteria and looks fabulous. Brent tried to get some pr on this one, but they had tournaments going on and couldn't make it.
- The planning for the community dinner on April 15th is getting started. The PTO is developing baskets and the committee needs to finalize the food for this year. This should all come together very well for next month. Last year we had a great time visiting with people from the community. Brent will do a question and answer again in the library.
- It is levy season so he will be focusing on this a great deal this next month. Currently he is working on getting some information out to the local media, and more information directly
- He met with District #2 this month in regards to the changes they will be making that may impact our students. Currently we have some items to discuss about advanced classes and placement of students entering the 9th grade. He will update the board as soon as he gets more finalized information.
- The community newsletter will be going out shortly as well as invitations for the community dinner. Our goal is to increase school awareness in the next couple of months to make sure we are reaching our taxpayers and emphasizing the importance of the general levy.
- March has been a very busy month with students, testing and meetings. He said he can't believe that the final trimester is in session and the summer is near. He said he is looking forward to a strong finish to this school year.
- Aesop is our current substitute system. Currently this runs through Laurel. They don't share their subs. Other K-8 districts don't use this automated system and are interested in joining as a K-8 co-op sub pool. He said we would have to pay about \$500 additional to join again, but we would all share subs. Blue Creek pays \$100/day and we pay \$75/day and other districts are slightly below ours. We need to slightly upgrade our sub fee. Hopefully we will have a better sub pool. Miss Egan would be administrator of the coop and she would train all the other secretaries in how to use it, since she is fully trained in it and has been using it. We only have about 5 consistent subs, as opposed to a pool of 25.

NEW BUSINESS

5. Set Mill Levy Dollar Amount

SET MILL LEVY DOLLARS

Jeanne explained the funding options to the Board. The maximum budget would be \$1,705,532.40 or \$56,510.05 or approximately 15.19 mills at current mill values. *Joel made a motion to set the mill levy dollar amount being requested at \$56,510.05. Manny seconded. It was unanimous.*

6. Approve Calendar for 2016-17

APPROVE 2016-17 CALENDAR

Billie moved to approve Calendar #2 as presented, as that was the one the staff voted for. Joel seconded. Unanimous. School will start August 24th and the last day is June 2nd.

7. Forms for Business Manager/Clerk Evaluation

FORMS FOR BUSINESS MANAGER EVALUATION

9. Resignation

RESIGNATION

Joel moved to approve Brandy Morris' resignation as custodian due to family medical issues. Billie seconded. Unanimous.

8. Community Dinner

COMMUNITY DINNER

This was discussed in Brent's report above.

Concessions Update: Jeanne put some numbers together. Brent gave results from 6 game nights. It averages out to be \$96 per night, which is \$587.63 we didn't have. This money goes to Activities to help pay expenses. Brent said if we continue with it, it will probably bring in \$2,000-\$3,000 per year. Billie would like to have parents volunteer to cover games. Brent said he would like to stick to the 3 game nights, of which there are 6 or 7 per season. Football should be on weekends.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING

- * Football
- * Business Manager/Clerk Evaluation
- * Plan Staff Appreciation Gifts
- * Prepare for Levy Election

There being no further business, Joel moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Carroll, District Clerk

Rhonda Hogstad, Chair