

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

The trustees met in regular session Monday, March 21, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. Those present throughout the meeting were Chair Manny Zuniga, trustees Hal Olson, Tom Bradford, Sheri Boelter, Business Manager Suzie Zentz, and Superintendent Brent Lipp. Rhonda Hogstad joined the meeting at 6:47 p.m. There was one visitor (list attached).

Manny called the meeting to order and led the group in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The only adjustments to the agenda were to add the resignation of Grace Bysina under "correspondence" and to change Master Agreement from "action" to "information."

### AGENDA ADJ

*Tom Bradford made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented; Hal Olson seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.*

### CONSENT AGENDA

Erin Pimley and Patrick Cates presented information regarding the 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip. At this point there aren't many changes from last year's trip. One change is a visit to the Fish, Wildlife & Parks "Animal Wild" center. Erin and Pat are still working on Day 1 lodging for the kids. Otherwise, the trip will be reminiscent of last year's trip.

### 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE TRIP

Financially, the class is in good shape. Over \$12,000 was raised. Steve Dewar and Debbie Ostwalt will be the parent chaperones. Mrs. Tolton will be incorporating more science into the trip. They intend to do some sandwiches and barbequing along with some fast food/restaurant meals.

Rhonda Hogstad joined the meeting.

*Hal Olson made a motion to approve the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip as presented; Sheri Boelter seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.*

Suzie reported that she received notice from three teachers that they intend to make a lane change next year: Talia Super, Erin Pimley, and Kira Southwick.

### CORRESPONDENCE

*Rhonda Hogstad made a motion to accept the resignation of custodian Grace Bysina effective April 1, 2011. Brent noted that Grace has been a wonderful employee with a great sense of humor and a wonderful work ethic. We will miss her! All voted in favor of the motion.*

Superintendent Brent Lipp recapped his administrative report:

### ADMIN RPT

- We had a very successful science fair. Sixth through eighth grade students were recognized for various achievements in a number of areas...and a grand prize was awarded. Manny Zuniga, Jean Smith, Pat Zentz, Brent Lipp, and Tim Morgan were judges.
- I Love to Read week was a great success. We also celebrated Dr. Seuss's birthday and held the PTO Book Fair. In addition the kids

were rewarded with an African Acrobats performance after the testing week. The students were also treated to with an educational anti-smoking performance from Rimrock Opera.

- Linda Morgan was awarded the Paraprofessional of the Year Award for Region III. The District gave her an embroidered jacket recognizing this honor. In addition, she will be recognized at the state CSPD conference in April.
- Bargaining went very well this year. Thanks to Manny and Hal for their hard work and the input they had in organizing and designing a good agreement with the teaching staff.
- The Community newsletter is close to the final draft and has been proofed. A staff member with graphic arts experience is helping with some changes and revisions.
- On March 7<sup>th</sup> we conducted some training with the interactive white boards. All of the boards are now being used and our staff is excited about them.
- Our new Rtl rewards are working well---they provide instant gratification! We are participating in more MBI and Rtl training.

Personnel/Negotiations Committee Manny reported the two teams met with Ted Handel and the IBB process worked well. We are working out a couple of small problems and waiting to hear from the CCEA regarding ratification.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### OLD BUSINESS

Suzie provided the board with an update on the status of school funding and our budget. We still do not know how the legislature will resolve the funding issue, but are quite confident that we are in a sound position due to our growth.

### 2011-12 BUDGET UPDATE

In regard to the trustee election, it looks likely that the candidates will be elected by acclamation. If so, there will be no need for an election. The cut-off date for candidates is March 24<sup>th</sup>. The write-in candidate deadline is April 7<sup>th</sup>.

### ELECTION UPDATE

### NEW BUSINESS

*Hal Olson made a motion to approve the trustee election resolution as presented; Tom Bradford seconded the motion. All voted in favor.*

### TRUSTEE ELECTION RESOLUTION

*Tom Bradford made a motion to approve the 2011-12 "Calendar B" as presented; Sheri Boelter seconded. Brent noted that Calendar B aligns with District 2, which is helpful for parents with children in both districts. It also provides more of a break in the middle of the spring. All voted in favor.*

### CALENDAR

Manny distributed the Business Manager/Clerk evaluation forms to the trustees. He asked to have them returned to him by April 6<sup>th</sup>.

### BUSINESS MANAGER/ CLERK EVAL FORMS

We are waiting for union ratification of the 2011-13 Master Agreement.

### MASTER AGREEMENT

The members are reviewing the document and will have a decision by Wednesday, March 23, 2011.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

Staff appreciation prep

Business Manager/Clerk evaluation

Master Agreement

Construction update

Duck Creek signs

*There being no further business, Sheri Boelter made a motion to adjourn at 7:32 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,

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Susan Zentz, Clerk

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Manuel Zuniga, Chair