

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

The trustees met in regular session Monday, October 22, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the library. Those present throughout the meeting were Chair Manny Zuniga, trustees Rhonda Hogstad, Mark Berg, Charlene Severson, Crystal Gust, Superintendent Brent Lipp, and Business Manager Suzie Zentz. There was one visitor.

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

There was one adjustment to the agenda. Brent asked to move the Board Goals item to the next regular meeting.

AGENDA ADJ

Charlene Severson made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented; Mark Berg seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All voted in favor of the motion.

CONSENT AGENDA

There was no correspondence.

CORRESPONDENCE

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Superintendent Brent Lipp recapped his administrative report:

ADMIN REPORT

- Red Ribbon week has gone very well with special themes each day. Ms. Dugan and Mrs. Baffuto are doing a great job with Student Council. Guest speakers are invited and the emphasis is on living a healthy life style.
- Brent attended the District #2 board meeting on October 15th and shared our District's concerns regarding their proposed interlocal agreement. The agreement was tabled and placed in committee. Representatives from the K-8 districts will attend.
- Brent is currently working on the Annual Data Collection. He believes our accreditation meet all requirements this year.
- Fall sports are going well. The girl's team has improved a great deal. Kudos to Mrs. Murphy who has established a Pep Band for the home games.
- Congratulations to Karen Meick who was recognized as a Gold Star recipient for the month of October. She received a \$250 check for her classroom and recognition on KULR 8. Karen is very deserving of this award and we are extremely proud of her.
- CTA has been contacted regarding preparing proposals for the front entrance project.
- Congratulations to Manny and Rhonda for receiving Bronze certification from MTSBA for trustee training.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Zentz provided information on Fall Enrollment and a comparison to last year’s numbers. We have a 10 student reduction in total numbers, with the largest impact in the junior high. We will be able to benefit because of the “three-year averaging” rule for calculating ANB, but the loss of students in the junior high (7th-8th) will likely impact our state aid for next year. Hopefully, we will see an increase in enrollment by the February count.

Manny agreed to table the board goals until the next regular meeting November 19th.

Manny updated the Committee assignments, adding Charlene Severson and Crystal Gust as follows:

- *denotes committee chair
- Building/Grounds *Manny Zuniga
 Mark Berg
- Community Relations *Charlene Severson
 Crystal Gust
- Curriculum *Crystal Gust
 Charlene Severson
- Finance *Mark Berg
 Rhonda Hogstad
- Personnel/negotiations *Rhonda Hogstad
 Manny Zuniga

FALL ENROLLMENT

BOARD GOALS

REVISED COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Brent updated the trustees regarding the ongoing discussion with District 2 regarding their proposed Interlocal Agreement between the SD#2 High School District and Elementary District for increased financial flexibility. Our district and other county K-8 districts are concerned that tax money from SD#2 High School District (which includes us) might be used for SD#2 Elementary District expenses through the Interlocal Agreement. He plans to attend their committee meeting on Wednesday, October 24th. Brent reviewed the concerns expressed at the SD#2 board meeting regarding taxpayer fairness and the potential for our patrons to develop further mistrust of school districts in general.

SD#2 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT UPDATE

PUBLIC COMMENT

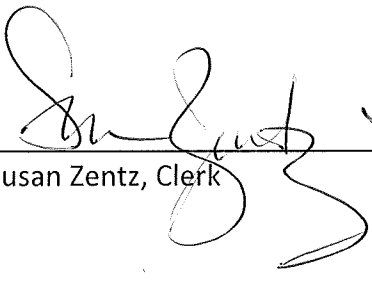
There was no public comment.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING

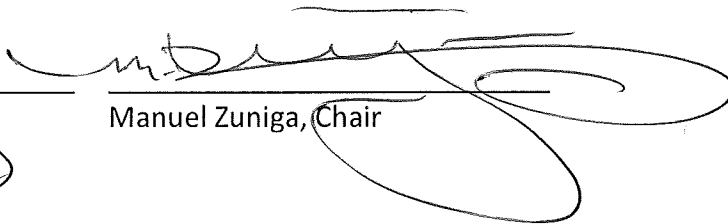
Adopt board goals
Staff handbook draft
Audit report
SD 2

There being no further business, Rhonda Hogstad made a motion to adjourn at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Susan Zentz, Clerk



Manuel Zuniga, Chair