

Attendees - voting members

Kecia Hickman	President
Susan Rensink	Vice President
Jessica Brink	Board Member
Mark Brown	Board Member
Randy Merley	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, Mark Brown and Randy Merley. Jessica Brink joined the meeting at 5:07 PM.

Superintendent Robin Spears and Board Secretary/Business Manager LaDonn Hartzell were also present.

Visitors: Marty VanWesten, Marcia Poyzer

Press: Tom Lawrence, Iowa Information joined the meeting at 5:57 PM.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There being no additions or corrections to the agenda, Board President called for a motion to approve the agenda, as published.

Motion made by: Mark Brown

Motion seconded by: Randy Merley

Voting

Unanimously Approved

III. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Citizens, Organization(s) in Attendance

1. Public Comment

None.

2. Recognition

a. Staff

The Board recognized Marcia Poyzer, who retired at the end of December, after 21 years of service in the food service program. Mr. Spears presented the IASB Award of Merit plaque and a life-time activity pass to Mrs. Poyzer and thanked her for her years of service to the district.

b. Student

Board Members received student lists of recognition for MS/HS and there were no additions to these lists.

c. Presentation - Middle School

Marty VanWesten, grades 5-12 TAG program teacher, was present to introduce himself and share his thoughts on his first year in the TAG program.

B. Correspondence

1. "The Board" Publication

- The Board "Curriculum of the Future: What You Need to Know."
- The Board "What to Consider Before You Build Another School."

2. NW AEA Board Meeting Minutes - January Board Meeting

Board Members received minutes of the NWAEA 01.30.17 meeting.

Voting

Unanimously Approved

3. Receipt of "Thank You" Cards

None.

Board President called for a motion to approve correspondence.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Mark Brown

C. Board Member Reports

None.

IV. APPROVAL OF:

A. Minutes of Past Meeting(s)

Board Members received minutes from the regular January 9, 2017 meeting and the special meeting held on January 12, 2017. Board President called for a motion to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion made by: Randy Merley

Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink

Voting

Unanimously Approved

B. Financial Reports

Board Members received 01.31.17 financial reports, to include bank reconciliations, budget monitor history update, cash/investment report, categorical funding update, activity report.

Motion made by: Randy Merley

Motion seconded by: Jessica Brink

Voting

Unanimously Approved

C. Approve Bills

Mark Brown reviewed the bills and recommended the board approve all bills for payment, as presented.

Motion made by: Mark Brown

Motion seconded by: Randy Merley

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V. PUBLIC HEARING(S)

None.

VI. REPORTS

A. Committee

1. Technology Committee Update

Superintendent Spears updated the board following the last Technology Committee meeting held on Wednesday, February 8. The Committee is considering implementation of 1:1 computers for high school students. It will be the responsibility of administration to educate the District Leadership Team, teachers, and parents before implementation can occur. Administration and the Technology Committee will continue to study data regarding the districts who have had 1:1 in place and determine if 1:1 improves student learning. Superintendent will continue to update as more information is known.

B. Special (None Planned)

None.

C. Administration

1. Elementary School Principal

Jason Groendyke, Elementary Principal provided a written report but was unable to attend due to previously scheduled activities.

2. Middle School Principal

Cindy Barwick, Middle School Principal provided a written report, but was unable to attend due to previously scheduled activities.

3. High School Principal

Sherrie Zeutenhorst, High School Principal, provided a written report, but was unable to attend due to previously scheduled activities.

4. Activities Director

Justin Albers, Activities Director, provided a written report, but was unable to attend due to previously scheduled activities.

5. Superintendent

a. Preliminary FY18 Financial Information

Superintendent Spears reviewed the FY18 Aid & Levy Worksheet and the first draft of the Budget Adoption page in preparation for the FY18 Budget Proposal scheduled for the March board meeting. Preliminary figures show a total decrease in taxes.

b. Budget Projection

Superintendent Spears shared a five-year budget spending authority projection, based on a 3% annual increase in expenditures and a 2% Supplemental State Aid increase and declining enrollment.

c. Iowa School Report Card

Superintendent Spears shared the Iowa School Report Card Web Link and reported the district will update the school district web page to include these reports.

d. Post-Secondary Readiness Report

Superintendent Spears shared a link regarding Post-Secondary Readiness for the State of Iowa, and also provided Sheldon High School data comparisons.

e. Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Update

Superintendent Spears shared the Iowa Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) draft plan, for information.

f. Nurse's Report

The January 2017 Nurse's Report was received for information.

g. Transportation Report

The January 2017 Transportation Report was received for information.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Board Goals

Board Members were given the opportunity to review the proposed board goals and adopt them as second reading.

Motion made by: Jessica Brink

Motion seconded by: Mark Brown

Voting

Unanimously Approved

B. Board Policy Review (2nd Reading)

Board Members reviewed and approved the following Board Policies for second reading:
604.6 Instruction at a Post-Secondary Educational Institution

604.7 Dual Enrollment
604.8 Foreign Students
604.9 Home School Assistance Program
604.10 Virtual/On-Line Courses
605.1 Instructional Materials Selection
605.1R1 Selection of Instructional Materials
605.2 Instructional Materials Inspection

Motion made by: Mark Brown

Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink

Voting

Unanimously Approved

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Open Enrollment Application(s)

Superintendent Spears recommended the Board approve the following Open Enrollment Application:

- L. J., a kdgn. student from Boyden Hull CSD to Sheldon CSD

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Randy Merley

Voting

Kecia Hickman - Yes

Susan Rensink - Yes

Jessica Brink - Abstain

Mark Brown - Yes

Randy Merley - Yes

B. Resignation(s)

Board Members received the following resignations effective the end of the 2016-17 school year:

Brett Gregory-- 7-12 Vocal Director

Beth Langton-- HS Spanish Teacher

Katie Morris-- Volleyball Coach

Superintendent Spears recommended the Board accept the resignations as presented from Brett Gregory and Beth Langton. He also recommended the Board approve the resignation of Katie Morris contingent on finding a suitable replacement.

Motion made by: Randy Merley

Motion seconded by: Jessica Brink

Voting

Unanimously Approved

C. Contracts

Superintendent Spears recommended the Board approve the contract for Arajean DeYoung as part-time custodian at \$12.00/hour; 20 hours/week for the school year and 40 hours/week during the summer.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Mark Brown

Voting

Kecia Hickman - Yes

Susan Rensink - Yes

Jessica Brink - Abstain

Mark Brown - Yes

Randy Merley - Yes

D. Approve Sharing Agreement Between the Sheldon Community School District and the South O'Brien Community School District for High School Wrestling

Superintendent Spears recommended the Board approve the wrestling sharing agreement between Sheldon CSD and South O'Brien CSD for the 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years.

Motion made by: Randy Merley

Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink

Voting

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E. Consider Annual Application for Renewal of Cooperative Sponsorship of An Activity (High School Wrestling Sharing Agreement With South O'Brien CSD)

Superintendent Spears recommended the Board authorize the District Administration to file the online Iowa High School Athletic Association application for the renewal of the cooperative sponsorship agreement between Sheldon Community School District and South O'Brien Community School District.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Randy Merley

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F. Board Policy Review (1st Reading)

605.3	Objection to Instructional Materials
605.3E1	Instructions to the Reconsideration Committee
605.3E2	Reconsideration of Instructional Materials
605.3E3	Sample Letter to Individual Challenging Instructional Materials
605.3R1	Reconsideration of Instructional Materials Regulation
605.4	Technology and Instructional Materials
605.5	Media Centers
605.5R1	Weeding Policy
200.1R1	Organizational Meeting Procedures (NEW POLICY)
209.6	Review and Revision of Policy
210.2	Regular Meeting
411.2	Classified Employee – Qualifications, Recruitment, Selection
703.3	Financial Records

Motion made by: Jessica Brink

Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink

Voting

Unanimously Approved

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. IASB Workshop - Whose Job is it Anyway? - 6:00-8:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 21, 2017 - Sheldon

Superintendent Spears encouraged Board Members to consider attending the IASB Workshop "Whose Job Is it Anyway?" to be held in Sheldon on Tuesday, March 21, 6:00-8:00 PM.

B. IASB Policy Leadership & Legal Issues Conference, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Thursday, April 13, 2017, Altoona

Superintendent Spears encouraged Board Members to consider attending the IASB Policy Leadership & Legal Issues Conference, scheduled for Thursday, April 13, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM, in Altoona.

X. CLOSED SESSION - Superintendent Quarterly Evaluation Conference

At 6:12 PM, Board President called for a motion to enter Closed Session as authorized by Section 21.5(1) (a) of the open meetings law to review or discuss records which are required or authorized to be kept confidential; to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session.

Board Members entered closed session at 6:12 PM, for the quarterly Superintendent Evaluation Conference.

Motion made by: Randy Merley

Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink

Voting

Unanimously Approved

XI. ADJOURN

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:59 PM.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Jessica Brink

Voting

Unanimously Approved

XII. EXEMPT CLOSED SESSION (Collective Bargaining Strategy Session)

At 7:00 PM, Board Members entered exempt session as provided in 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.

Exempt session ended at 7:18 PM.

Chairperson

Secretary