

Attendees - voting members

Kecia Hickman	President
Susan Rensink	Vice President
Mark Brown	Board Member
Randy Merley	Board Member

I. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

At 6:00 PM, Board President Kecia Hickman called the meeting to order. The following board members were present: Susan Rensink, Mark Brown, Randy Merley and Kecia Hickman. Glen Goedken was absent.

Superintendent Robin Spears and Board Secretary LaDonn Hartzell were present.

Members of the Press: Tom Lawrence, Iowa Information.

Visitors: Steve Holles.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Board President called for a motion to approve the agenda as published.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Randy Merley

Voting

Unanimously Approved

III. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Citizens, Organization(s) in Attendance

1. Public Comment
None.

2. Recognition

a. Student

There were no additional items for student recognition.

B. Correspondence

1. "The Board" Publication

a. The Board "Where the Best Educational Systems Place Their Focus," Vol. 39, No. 7

b. The Board "Secrets to Handling Rumors and Misinformation," Vol. 39, No. 8

2. **NW AEA Board Meeting Minutes - July Board Meeting**

3. **Receipt of "Thank You" Cards**

Superintendent Spears shared a "thank you" card from IASB for our continued membership with their organization.

Board President called for a motion to approve all correspondence.

Motion made by: Mark Brown

Motion seconded by: Randy Merley

C. Board Member Reports

None.

IV. APPROVAL OF:

A. Minutes of Past Meeting(s)

Board members reviewed 07.15.2015 minutes.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Mark Brown

Voting

Unanimously Approved

B. Financial Reports

Board members received July financial reports.

Motion made by: Randy Merley

Motion seconded by: Mark Brown

Voting

Unanimously Approved

C. Approve Bills

Kecia Hickman reviewed the bills and requested a motion to approve all bills for payment.

Motion made by: Randy Merley

Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink

Voting

Unanimously Approved

V. PUBLIC HEARING(S)

None.

VI. REPORTS

A. Committee

None.

B. Special

None.

C. Administration

1. Elementary School Principal

Elementary Principal, Jason Groendyke provided a written report for board members and was available for questions.

2. Middle School Principal

Middle School Principal, Cindy Barwick provided a written report for board members and was available for questions.

3. High School Principal

High School Principal, Sherrie Zeutenhorst provided a written report for board members and was available for questions.

4. Activities Director

Activities Director Justin Albers prepared a written report for board members and was available for questions.

5. Superintendent

a. School Board Election

Superintendent Spears reviewed School Board Election data as follows:
The Sheldon Community School District has three seats open for the September 8, 2015 School Board Election:

Director District #2 currently held by Mark Brown
Director District #3 currently held by Kecia Hickman
At-Large Director currently held by Glen Goedken

Glen Goedken will not be seeking re-election for the At-Large Director seat. The deadline to submit papers to run for a School Board seat was Thursday, July 30, 2015. The following individuals have submitted papers:

Kecia Hickman -- Director District #3.
Mark Brown -- Director District #2
Steve Holles -- Director District #2
Dan Van Gorp -- At-Large Director
Jessica Brink -- At-Large Director

b. NCLB Adequate Yearly Progress for 2014-15

Superintendent Spears reviewed the FY15 Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Report. Sheldon Middle School has been designated a SINA-3 school for reading and a SINA-1 school for math. East Elementary has been designated as a SINA-1 school for reading and is on the math "watch list."

Mrs. Barwick added that the Middle School has 93% efficiency for math and 82% efficiency for reading. These percentages appear favorable to our administration but still fall into the SINA designation.

c. All-Star Community Award

Superintendent Spears shared a news release announcing Sheldon as an All-Star Community for 2015 by the League of Cities. Scott Wynja submitted an application to the League of Cities for this award based on the cooperative project between the Sheldon Community School District and the City of Sheldon on the joint ball fields and recreation project. Mr. Wynja and Mr. Spears plan to attend the official recognition program for this award in Cedar Rapids, IA on Thursday, September 25.

d. School District Website

Superintendent Spears reviewed the new Sheldon Community School District website: www.sheldonschools.com There will be continuous changes and updates to this website to keep it current.

e. Letter Regarding School Sponsored Soccer Program

Superintendent Spears shared a letter received from school district patron, Micah Schreurs, inquiring about the possibility of the district adding a soccer program. The board agreed to address this subject at a future meeting or work session.

f. Transportation Report

July Transportation Report was received for information.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. IASB Call for Legislative Resolutions

Board members reviewed the five legislative priorities approved for the 2014-15 school year:

#11 – Supports reform of Iowa's K-12 educational system.

#23 – Supports legislation that provides greater flexibility for school districts to meet changing needs, become more efficient, protect natural resources and save public funds, including support for Home Rule.

#24 – Supports repeal of the mandatory school start date.

#26 – Supports the use of PPEL funds for maintenance and repair of transportation equipment that can be purchased or financed with PPEL funds.

#29 – Supports Tax Increment Financing (TIF) transparency, limitation, reform and regulation.

Board members agreed they were in favor of maintaining the same priorities for the 2015-16 school year. Since the board is asked to submit their top four this year, it was agreed to remove #26 from the previous list.

Motion made by: Mark Brown

Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink

Voting

Unanimously Approved

B. Board Policy Review (2nd Reading)

Board members considered the second reading of Board Policy 604.1 Private Instruction and 604.7 Dual Enrollment.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Randy Merley

Voting

Unanimously Approved

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Open Enrollment Application(s)

1. (c) Open Enrollment Applications

Board members reviewed 11 Open Enrollment applications. All requests were involving changes in residence or kindergarten students.

5 students to HMS

2 students to Boyden-Hull

2 students to Sibley-Ocheyedan

2 students to George-Little Rock

Motion made by: Mark Brown

Motion seconded by: Randy Merley

Voting

Unanimously Approved

B. Resignation(s)

None.

C. Contracts

Superintendent Spears recommended the Board approve the following contracts:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Daphne Feekes	Dance Team Sponsor	\$2,100
Kevin White	Middle School Football Coach	\$2,345
Katie Morris	Middle School Volleyball	\$2,345

Motion made by: Randy Merley

Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink

Voting

Unanimously Approved

D. Approve Bus Routes for the 2015-16 School Year

Superintendent Spears recommended the Board approve the six 2015-16 Regular Bus Routes.

Motion made by: Randy Merley

Motion seconded by: Mark Brown

Voting

Unanimously Approved

E. Consider Transportation of Pre-School Students

Superintendent Spears recommended the Board approve transportation of pre-school students for the 2015-16 school year.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Mark Brown

Voting

Unanimously Approved

F. Designate Level I Investigators and Level I Alternate Investigators

Superintendent Spears recommended the Board designate the following District Level I Investigators and Alternate District Level I Investigators for the 2015-16 school year.

<u>Building</u>	<u>Level I Investigator</u>	<u>Alternate Level I Investigator</u>
Elementary School	Jason Groendyke, Principal	Heather Craig, Counselor
Middle School	Cindy Barwick, Principal	Kari Kopperud, Counselor
High School	Sherrie Zeutenhorst, Principal	Shelby McGraw, Counselor
District	Robin Spears, Superintendent	Dawn Meyer, School Nurse

Motion made by: Mark Brown

Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink

Voting

Unanimously Approved

G. Approve Student Alternate Vocational Education (SAVE) Agreement between Iowa Lakes Community College and the Sheldon Community School District

Superintendent Spears recommended the Board approve an educational service contract with Iowa Lakes Community College for a school district resident student receiving educational services through the Student Alternative Vocational Education (SAVE) program.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Randy Merley

Voting

Unanimously Approved

H. Set Life Insurance Coverage for Certified Staff

Superintendent Spears recommended the Board set \$106,000 as the amount of term life insurance coverage for the 2015-16 school year. The district cost of \$190.94 per person remains the same, but the amount of term life insurance increased from \$90,000 to \$106,000.

Motion made by: Randy Merley

Motion seconded by: Mark Brown

Voting

Unanimously Approved

I. Designate District Leadership Team Membership for 2015-16

Superintendent Spears recommended the Board approve the DLT Membership as listed below.

Brian and Mindy Albrecht	Paul and Esther Nilles
Cindy Barwick	Brent and Dawn Prescott
Adam and Barbara Besaw	Matt and Jody Radke
Ryan and Trisha Cannoy	Susan Rensink
Heather Craig	Paul and Lori Richards
Larie De Groot	Rob and Sharla Roozeboom
Thad and Danielle Dykstra	Jerod Reinking
Corey and Teri Elgersma	Wendy Roder
James Fitzgerald	Fred and Tami Roetman
Don and Noelle Fjeld	Sharla Roozeboom
Jodi Grant	Kristi Simonsen
Jason Groendyke	Robin Spears
Chad and Beth Hamill	Nick and Dianna Stallmann
Kecia Hickman	Dee Tolk
Kory and Krissa Jacobsma	Anna Van Gorp
Jessica Jimenez	Dean and Amy Van Marel

Jason and Lisa Johnson
Alan and Jill Jungers
Kari Kopperud
Eric Maassen
Shelby McGraw
Kristen Noack
Donna Nagel

Brian and Jill Van Meeteren
Ruth Vogel
Sherrie Zeutenhorst
Ian Jongewaard
Jessica Karolczak
Laura Nilles
Emma Van Meeteren

Motion made by: Mark Brown
Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink
Voting
Unanimously Approved

J. Approve Iowa Drug & Alcohol Testing Program Agreement with IASB

Superintendent Spears recommended the Board authorize participation in the 2016 Iowa Drug & Alcohol Testing Program (IDATP) through IASB.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink
Motion seconded by: Mark Brown
Voting
Unanimously Approved

K. Approve Transportation Agreement Between Head Start and the Sheldon Community School District

Superintendent Spears recommended the Board approve the transportation agreement between Sheldon Community School District and Upper Des Moines Opportunity (Head Start) for the 2015-16 school year.

Motion made by: Randy Merley
Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink
Voting
Unanimously Approved

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. IASB Employee Relations Conference, October 20, 2015, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Altoona
- B. New Board Member Orientation Workshop
- C. IASB Annual Convention, November 18 - 20, 2015, Des Moines
- D. NSBA Annual Conference

X. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Board President called for a motion to adjourn.
Meeting adjourned at 7:39 PM.

Motion made by: Mark Brown
Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink
Voting
Unanimously Approved

Chairperson

Secretary