

Attendees - voting members

Kecia Hickman	President
Susan Rensink	Vice President
Mark Brown	Board Member
Glen Goedken	Board Member

I. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

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

Superintendent Robin Spears and Board Secretary LaDonn Hartzell were present.

Administrators present: Cindy Barwick, Middle School Principal; Matt Meendering, High School Principal; Jason Groendyke, Elementary Principal; Justin Albers, Activities Director. Members of the Press: Mark Mahoney

Visitors: Jennifer Van Wyk, Kay Youngs, Krista Parks, Mason Parks, Matt Olson, Rachel Olson, Maddie Olson, Isabelle Freeman, Nichole Freeman, Tyler Freeman

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Glen Goedken

Voting

Unanimously Approved

III. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Citizens, Organization(s) in Attendance

1. Public Comment

None.

2. Recognition

a. Student

Board members received lists for student recognition from MS and HS as well as a list of 51 State Large Group Speech performers who have been nominated for All-State recognition.

b. Presentation - East Elementary

Fourth grade teacher, Jennifer VanWyk was present with three fourth grade students for a presentation on the dangers of tobacco use.

Mason Parks, Isabelle Freeman, and Madison Olson shared their individual projects.

B. Correspondence

1. "The Board" Publication

a. The Board "Promises Every Learner Deserves," Vol. 38, Number 19

b. The Board "Are You A Magpie Or An Owl?," Vol. 38, Number 20

2. NW AEA Board Meeting Minutes - January Board Meeting

Receipt of "Thank You" Cards--None.

Board President called for a motion to accept all correspondence.

Motion made by: Glen Goedken

Motion seconded by: Mark Brown

C. Board Member Reports--None.

IV. APPROVAL OF:

A. Minutes of Past Meeting(s)

Board members reviewed minutes from the January 14, 2015 regular meeting, closed session of January 19, and work session of February 4, 2015.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Glen Goedken

Voting

Unanimously Approved

B. Approve Bills, Bank Reconciliations, Payroll, Financial Reports

Susan Rensink reviewed the bills, bank reconciliations, payroll and financial reports for the month.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Mark Brown

Voting

Unanimously Approved

V. PUBLIC HEARING(S)

None.

VI. REPORTS

A. Committee-None.

B. Special-None.

C. Administration

1. Elementary School Principal

Jason Groendyke, Elementary Principal, provided a written report, and was available for questions. He focused his oral report on the FAST assessment results. He referred to reading proficiency (80%) and how summer school will address reading deficiencies.

2. Middle School Principal

Cindy Barwick, Middle School Principal, provided a written report, and was available for questions. Mrs. Barwick shared grades 5-8 STAR results.

3. High School Principal

Matt Meendering, High School Principal, provided a written report for the board, and was available for questions. He shared reports on student GPA, attendance, and discipline.

4. Activities Director

Justin Albers, Activities Director, presented a written report and was available for questions.

5. Superintendent

a. East Elementary Building/Renovation Project Update

Superintendent Spears updated the board on the Elementary building project, noting there are still deliveries expected for library furnishings and other incidental items.

b. 2015-16 School Calendar

Superintendent Spears reiterated possible start dates for 2015-16, which the board considered at the February 4 work session. He also wants the public to realize that a later school start date will delay the drivers' education program, as well as the City Summer Rec Program. Board members discussed the possibility of applying for a waiver even though it may be difficult to obtain.

- c. Preliminary FY15 Financial Information
Superintendent Spears updated the board on the budget process which is difficult to complete at this time with the uncertainty of the Supplemental State Aid.
- d. SAVE Revenue Update
Superintendent Spears informed the board of the SAVE funding error made by the Department of Revenue, which resulted in a surplus of \$45,891.55 from O'Brien, Lyon and Osceola Counties and a shortfall of \$1749.63 from Sioux County. A check has been received for the shortfall, while the surplus will be deducted from future payments.
- e. Health Insurance Program
Superintendent Spears told the board they should be prepared to make a decision regarding health insurance for 2015-16 at the regular March meeting. He added that Tom Fuoss is making an attempt to obtain bids from Coventry & United Health Care.
- f. January Nurse's Report -- received for information.
- g. January Transportation Report -- received for information.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Board Policy Review (2nd Reading)
Board members considered second reading of Board Policy 403.3--406.3, 407.6 and 407.6E1.
Motion made by: Glen Goedken
Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink
Voting
Unanimously Approved

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Open Enrollment Application(s)
 - 1. Open Enrollment Applications
Board members considered the following Open Enrollment Applications for 2015-16:
Student (A.S.) from George-Little Rock to Sheldon
Student (M.B.) from George-Little Rock to Sheldon
Student (T.F.) from Boyden-Hull to Sheldon
Student (L.T.) from Boyden-Hull to Sheldon
Motion made by: Glen Goedken
Motion seconded by: Mark Brown
Voting
Unanimously Approved
- B. Resignation(s)
Superintendent Spears recommended the Board accept the letters of resignation as presented from Marcia Wassenaar, Title I associate and Amanda Moeller, part-time food service and custodian.
Motion made by: Mark Brown
Motion seconded by: Glen Goedken
Voting
Unanimously Approved
- C. Contracts
 - 1. Coaching Contract
Superintendent Spears recommended the board consider a coaching contract (\$2,913) for Jerod Reinking for Assistant Boys Track.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink
Motion seconded by: Glen Goedken
Voting
Unanimously Approved

- D. Consider Contracted Services for Special Education
Superintendent Spears recommended the Board approve the following Special Education services contract for a school district resident student (J.F) receiving educational services in the Sioux City Community School District:
Motion made by: Susan Rensink
Motion seconded by: Glen Goedken
Voting
Unanimously Approved
- E. Agreement For Ethernet Services Amendment with ICN
Superintendent Spears recommended the Board approve an amendment with the Iowa Communications Network to increase the district's internet connection from 80MB to 140MB.
Motion made by: Mark Brown
Motion seconded by: Glen Goedken
Voting
Unanimously Approved
- F. Consider Field Experiences Agreement Between Northwest Iowa Community College and the Sheldon Community School District
Superintendent Spears recommended the Board approve a Field Experiences Agreement with Northwest Iowa Community College for NCC student (KO).
Motion made by: Susan Rensink
Motion seconded by: Glen Goedken
Voting
Kecia Hickman - Yes
Susan Rensink - Yes
Mark Brown - Abstain
Glen Goedken - Yes
- G. A-Tec Recycling Inc. Service Agreement
Superintendent Spears recommended the Board approve a service agreement between the Sheldon Community School District and A-Tec Recycling Inc., for the purpose of disposing/recycling items to include light bulbs, lamps, batteries, mercury products and computers.
Motion made by: Susan Rensink
Motion seconded by: Mark Brown
Voting
Unanimously Approved
- H. Board Policy Review (1st Reading)
Board members considered first reading of Board Policy 406.4-409.3R1 and 507.9.
Motion made by: Glen Goedken
Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink
Voting
Unanimously Approved

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. IASB ABLE Meeting, Tuesday, April 21, 2015, 6:00 p.m., Sheldon
Kecia Hickman and Susan Rensink are planning to attend.

X. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Board President Kecia Hickman called for a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM.

Board members held an Exempt Session for the purpose of negotiations discussion. The Exempt Session ended at 7:30 PM.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Glen Goedken

Voting

Unanimously Approved

Chairperson

Secretary