

**Sheldon Community School District
Meeting Minutes**

**Board/Admin. Worksession
2/4/2015 5:00:00 PM
High School Library**

Attendees - voting members

Kecia Hickman	President
Susan Rensink	Vice President
Mark Brown	Board Member
Glen Goedken	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. Board members enjoyed a Chinese dinner at the beginning of the meeting.

Board members present: Kecia Hickman, Susan Rensink, Randy Merley, Glenn Goedken, Mark Brown.

Superintendent Robin Spears and Board Secretary LaDonn Hartzell were present.

Visitors present: Dennis Krehbiel, Mark Mahoney, Tom Fuoss, Jim Gude

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Board President requested a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Glen Goedken

Voting

Unanimously Approved

III. HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM

Dennis Krehbiel, Krehbiel Insurance, addressed the board regarding the Iowa Star Schools Trust for group health insurance. Mr. Krehbiel is the agent for the consortium of 19 schools' health insurance program. He presented comparisons between the current health insurance program and the program he is offering for our district consideration. Mr. Krehbiel shared history of the Iowa Star Schools' program which originated in 2004. He also answered a list of questions presented to him prior to the meeting. The Iowa Star Schools 28E Agreement was presented for information, as well as the Iowa Star Schools FY13 audit report. Iowa Star Schools is proposing a 3.4% increase for FY16.

IV. DISCUSS 2015-16 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Superintendent Spears presented two revised 2015-16 school calendars which conform to the governor's plan for school districts to start school later without the option to apply for a waiver to start earlier. One calendar starts August 31, 2015 and ends June 6, 2016. The other option is to start September 2, 2015 and ends June 8, 2016. Even though the 2015-16 district calendar has already been approved by the board, it may become mandatory to change.

V. DISTRICT FINANCE/GRANT WOOD FINANCIAL REPORTING

Superintendent Spears provided board members with current financial information pertinent to the Sheldon Community School District. Much of the information was

provided by Iowa Association of School Boards, as well as information taken from annual reports, GrantWood Computer Services and district reports.

Board members received additional information on special education costs, budget history, revenue/expenditure history, student enrollment history. They also viewed optional reports on the GrantWood website.

VI. TECHNOLOGY

Superintendent Spears updated the board on technology needs. All three buildings may be considered for surveillance cameras in FY16.

VII. BOARD DEVELOPMENT/GOAL SETTING

April 21 is the next ABLE meeting scheduled to be hosted at Sheldon. Board members were encouraged to commit for this date if we are to host another session.

Board president expressed interest for reviewing the process on establishing goals and focusing more on goal setting and obtaining goals.

VIII. ADJOURN

At 8:28 PM, Board President called for a motion to adjourn.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Randy Merley

Voting

Unanimously Approved

Chairperson

Secretary