

SHELDON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

September 12, 2007

President Dan Van Gorp welcomed the guests, media, administration and the Board.

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** – At 5:30 p.m., President Dan Van Gorp called the meeting to order. Members present: Dan Van Gorp, Gary Ihnen, Kathy Brock, Harlan Bousema, Robin Spears and Bill Borchers. Absent: Kecia Hickman. Visitors: Jenni McCrory, Cindy Barwick, Matt Meendering, Darrell Sneiderman, Scott Wynja and Bekah Porter.

- II. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** –Superintendent added a couple of items under his report. Motion by Kathy Brock and seconded by Gary Ihnen to approve the amended agenda. Roll call vote: Harlan Bousema, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Kathy Brock, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.

- III. **COMMUNICATIONS**
 - A. Citizens, Organization(s) in Attendance
 1. Public Comment – None
 2. Recognition
 - a. Students – Included in Board Packet.
 - b. District - District received Certificate of Appreciation from the Sheldon United Fund.
 - B. Correspondence
 1. The Board
 - a. "Is Access To Opportunity Enough," Volume 31, Number 8 was included in the Board Packet.
 - b. "Seven Indicators of a Successful Board Meeting," Volume 31, Number 9 was included in the Board Packet.
 2. Board Briefs-Northwest AEA - Minutes of the August 20, 2007 meeting.
 3. Thank You Cards -
 - a. East Elementary - Thank you for the new playground.
 - b. Valerie Slyter - Thank you for allowing her to observe the August Board Meeting, and being able to include the minutes in her portfolio.
 - C. Board Member Reports -
 1. Other - none.

Motion by Gary Ihnen and seconded by Kathy Brock to accept the correspondence as part of the official Board minutes. Roll call vote: Harlan Bousema, Aye; Kathy Brock, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.

IV. **APPROVAL OF**

- A. Minutes of Past Meetings –Motion by Gary Ihnen and seconded by Harlan Bousema to approve the minutes. Roll call vote: Kathy Brock, Aye; Harlan Bousema, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.

- B. Financial Report – Motion by Harlan Bousema and seconded by Gary Ihnen to approve the financial report. Roll call vote: Kathy Brock, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Harlan Bousema, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.
- C. Summary List of Bills – Kathy Brock reviewed the bills. Motion by Kathy Brock and seconded by Gary Ihnen to approve the List of Bills, but to not pay for the total bleacher bill until the project is completed. Roll Call vote: Harlan Bousema, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Kathy Brock, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.

V. PUBLIC HEARING – none.

VI. REPORTS

- A. Committee – None
- B. Special - None
- C. Administration

At 5:40 p.m. Kecia Hickman arrived.

1. Elementary School – The Elementary School report was included in the Board Packet. Mrs. McCrory said that hopefully there will be a meeting on the East Elementary addition during the month of September. Jim Ruble did a walk-thru on Children's World today. Discussed the new report cards.
2. Middle School – The report was included in the Board Packet. Mrs. Barwick also reviewed the Iowa Learning Technology Grant application, and how the funds would be used for technology in the classrooms.
3. High School - The report was included in the Board Packet. Mr. Meendering said that a Thank You has been sent to Morgan Collision & Tire Center and also Stand-Aid for the golf cart and the modification to it so it could be used on the football sidelines. Mr. Meendering said the High School would also attempt a monthly newsletter.
4. Activities Director – The report was included in the Board Packet. Mr. Sneiderman said that he will have the participation list for the October Board Meeting.
5. Superintendent -
 - a. Sioux City Community School District Property Tax Equity Lawsuit - Superintendent explained the letter to the Board and the ideas behind it. The Board wants the Superintendent to continue to get information.
 - b. Student Enrollment Update - The Superintendent said that the current estimates are about 999 students enrolled, which is a decrease from the previous year. Will have the Certified Enrollment figures for the October Board Meeting.
 - c. Instructional Support Levy Update - The Superintendent said that there had not been any petition calling for a vote, so the resolution, as passed at the August Board Meeting, is in effect.
 - d. State Aid Reduction for State Educational Programs - The Superintendent explained how every year at this time the State deducts monies from the District's State Aid to pay for their educational programs. Last year the amount was \$30,582.
 - e. NCLB Adequately Yearly Progress Report - The District has met all AYP Goals for the 2006-07 school year.

- f. IASB Legal Service Program - The legal service program will be at no-charge for next year.
- g. Update on Board Worksession Discussion Topics - The Superintendent updated the Board on the Educational Foundation Oversight Committee, the Joint Meeting with the City of Sheldon, the PPEL listing of projects that need to be completed, and the school calendar committee. The services of the Athletic Trainer have been adjusted to a fee of \$5,000.
- h. TIF bonding - Scott Wynja explained and reviewed the TIF obligations of the City of Sheldon.

VII. OLD BUSINESS - none.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Open Enrollment Applications - The District has received applications for Garrett Werlinger to attend the H-M-S District from the Sheldon District, Logan Luinstra to attend the Sibley-Ocheyedan District from the Sheldon District, and Haidi Garcia to attend the Boyden-Hull District from the Sheldon District. The applications are for information only and do not require Board approval.
- B. Resignations - none.
- C. Contract(s) – none.
- D. Consider Textbook Donation - The Middle School has several sets of textbooks that they would like to donate to the St. Joseph's Indian School. In the past, old textbooks have not sold at the District garage sale, and they end up going to the landfill. Motion by Kathy Brock and seconded by Gary Ihnen to approve the donation. Roll call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Harlan Bousema, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Kathy Brock, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.
- E. Adopt NW AEA Special Education Procedure Revisions - Superintendent Spears recommends adoption of these revisions. Motion by Kathy Brock and seconded by Gary Ihnen to adopt the revisions as presented. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Harlan Bousema, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Kathy Brock, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.
- F. Consider Request from City of Sheldon for Construction Staging Area and Parking Space Area - Scott Wynja explained where the City would like to have the staging and parking areas. There was discussion with the Board, and it was decided to look at the construction area and the proposed alternate area before making a decision. The Board will include this at the beginning of the Building/Facility Tour.
- G. Approve Food Service Agreement between the Sheldon Community School District and the Sheldon Head Start Program. Motion by Gary Ihnen and seconded by Kecia Hickman to approve the agreement. Roll Call vote: Harlan Bousema, Aye; Kathy Brock, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.
- F. Consider Request from City of Sheldon for Construction Staging Area and Parking Space Area -Continued - The Board adjourned to the construction area and discussed the alternate locations with Mr. Wynja. Mr. Wynja modified his request to the area east of the pool, by the baseball practice area till May 1, 2008, and if that doesn't work then he will come back to request additional or alternative space. Motion by Kathy Brock and seconded by Kecia Hickman to have the parking area for the construction workers to be determined by Activities Director Sneiderman and Superintendent Spears. The area east of the construction area, in the area between the baseball and softball

complexes to be used for staging of construction materials. Roll Call vote: Harlan Bousema, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Kathy Brock, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.

H. Building/Facilities Tour - Toured the outside athletic facilities, and each building.

Pool Construction Trailer Parking	ES Outdoor playground
Concessions	Parking lot-faculty
High Jump	Play area
Ramp on BB & SB Bleachers, both home and visitors (Handicap Accessible)	Kitchen Bathroom stalls (new)
Cap on Baseball field fence-outfield	Cabinetry in classrooms
Replace SB field shrubs	Counters in classrooms
	New SE rooms
HS Audio control panel-intercom in office	Classroom doors Urinals in Boys bathrooms
Clocks	MS Gym
Band/Choir-handicap accessible	Band Room Acoustical Panels
Band room acoustical panels	Caulk in expansion joint in walls
Sidewalk in front of building	
Choir whiteboard	
Gym-roof drain	
Coach's office	
Weight Room	
Paint outside facing above shop overhead door.	
Auditorium-Stage Curtain	

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. A National Symposium of Scholars of School Board Governance Conference, September 14 & 15, 2007, Des Moines.
- B. IASB Employee Relations Conference, 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Friday, September 21, 2007, West Des Moines.
- C. IASB District Meeting, 6:00-9:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 2, 2007, Sheldon.

X. ADJOURN

At 8:42 p.m., Motion by Gary Ihnen and seconded by Kathy Brock to adjourn. Roll call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Harlan Bousema, Aye; Kathy Brock, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.