

SHELDON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

September 10, 2008

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, Glen Goedken, Kecia Hickman, Harlan Bousema, Robin Spears and Bill Borchers. Absent: None. Visitors: Matt Meendering, Darrell Sneiderman, Cindy Barwick, Jenni McCrory, Steve Holles, Randy Merley and Lindsay Hoepfner.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Motion by Gary Ihnen and seconded by Glen Goedken to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Harlan Bousema, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.

III. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Citizens, Organization(s) in Attendance

1. Public Comment – None
2. Recognition

- a. Students – Middle School - 8th Grade Volleyball - Abbie Provost, Alissa Jager, Amy Warnke, Andrea Johnson, Ashley Presthus, Audrey Gustafson, Cheyenne Van Beek, Courtney Scholten, Courtney Meyer, Janessa Holles, Jessica Wepler, Kaitlin Youngs, Kami Ackerman, Kim Roder, Michaela Wagner, Nancy Phongkeo, Paige Stevenson, Shannon McCarty, Thressa Weishuhn, and Tori Meendering. 7th Grade Volleyball - Allison Beenken, Krista Bousema, Bailey Buenger, Naara Bautista, Caitlin Cain, Jamie Clark, Chrissy DeKok, Olivia DeKok, Ashley Elgersma, Franny Feekes, Katlyn Holtrop, Kayla Johnson, Krista Johnson, Allie Jongewaard, Kelsey Kokenge, Emily Lidiak, Megan Lovan, Mackensey Radke, Sara Stephens, Chenoa Story, Courtney Van Beek, Jessica Van Beek, Marti Vogel, Kayla Weishuhn, and Rachel Williams. 8th Grade Football - Ricky Amnatka, Chris Balster, Joe Barron, Cameron Bauer, Tom Brown, Toby Champalath, Will DeKok, Matt Dykstra, Dallas Ennema, Tyler Fischer, Peter Fonkert, Josh Gorter, Caleb Hatting (mgr.), Jacob Ihnen, Mitchell Jensen (mgr.), Sung Ju Kim, Jett Korver (mgr.), Alex Lange, Toby Maggert, Dakota Michaelson, Brett Ogle, Nathan Oostra, Bodie Osborn, Clayton Scheibler, Alex Vust, and Grant Weaver. 7th Grade Football - Alex Davis, Chaz DeRocher, Kyle Fykstra (SCS), Jeffrey Granstra (SCS), Noah Hickman, Adam Heynen (SCS), Brian Klein, Garrett Lang, Benjamin Lichty, Ben Marshall, Hunter McDonald, Dalton McQueen, Logan Otis, Ryan Reiser, Tristan Roetzel, Logan Schoonhoven (SCS), Brian Vander Berg, Tanner Whitsell, and Michael Wolthuizen. 7th and 8th Grade Cross Country - Shelby Bruns, Quinn Groff, Teighlor Lonning, Hunter Lucas, Justin Renken, Savannah Simmons, Brennan Vote, and Brad Zybarth. High School - Volleyball - Varsity - Mackenzie Gustafson, Sara Kinderknecht, Kellie Merley, Keesha Simington, Shelby Vogel, Becca Fischer, Rachel Ihnen, Brittnie Fritz, Kellie Goedken, Alexis Bart, Elizabeth Ihnen, Delaney Story, Megan Whitsell, and Kelly Van Wyk. Junior Varsity - Brittany St. Clair, Samantha Klatt,

Michelle Fischer, Sarah Blankers, Kaitlin Jongewaard, Margaux Vandenbergh, Abby Gesink, Jenna Kruger, Megan Elgersma, Amber Smit, and Marisa Robideau. Freshmen - Crystal Rodger, Paige Van Wyk, Lindsey Nilles, Hannah Jinkinson, Nicole Van Beek, Jessica Albers, and Shelby Burns. Coaches: Michele Hoogers, Jill Haverdink, and Amanda De Groot. Cross Country - 2008 -Senior Boys: Tyler Drenkow, Dustin Elgersma, Ben Groen, Taylor Zoelle, Justin Balster, and Dustin Lowe. Senior Girls: Brittany Boerhave, Christine Cain, and Kaitlin Fiddelke. Junior Boys: Hayden Adkins, Kace Groff, and Nathan Holles. Junior Girls: Amy Den Hartog. Sophomore Boys: John Varner, Cody Bucher, and Ben Meendering. Sophomore Girls: Rachel Cain, Alesha Provost, Kaitlin Joersz, Kori Kruger, and Abby Lammers. Freshmen Boys: Chad Den Hartog, Alex Drenkow, Zach Kleinwolterink, Cody Mayer, and Adam Gustafson. Freshmen Girls: Dana Wolthuizen. Stats: Emily Jansen and Erin Abele. Coaches: Brad Van Roekel and Kris Groff. Middle School - 8th Grade: Shelby Bruns, Quinn Groff, and Teighlor Lonning. 7th Grade: Justin Renken, Savannah Simmons, and Brennan Vote. High School Football: Garrett Cowl, Judd Maggert, Jakob Gamboa, Nic Meendering, Evan Ascherl, Ryan Warnke, Andy Goeb, Andy Dykstra, Graeme St. Clair, Danny Ridenour, Adam Nilles, Kevin Meinecke, Jordan Whitsell, Nick Vust, Michael Kirschbaum, Taylor Zeutenhorst, Brandon Bousema, Austin Johnson, Blake Koedam, Michael Debates, Michael Lovan, Sam Storm, Tony Rodger, Michael Schilling, Taylor Dekok, Nick Youngers, Scott Ney, Toby Lo, Judd Andringa, James Granstra, Daniel Westphalen, Cole Kleinwolterink, Aaron Van Gorp, Ryan Lode, Chris Wiarda, Greg Marshall, Kyle Van Drie, Mikeal Cooper, Dustin Hofmeyer, Schuyler Holtrop, Austin Scheibler, Chris Granstra, Jordan Holtrop, Jared Holtrop, Chris Devries, Joe Feekes, Dakota Boerhave, Spencer Tischer, Ryan Mordick, Bret Doorenbos, Jeremiah Huff, Nick Oostra, Jordan Dykstra, Tomas Weishuhn, Kris Van Gent, Ben Meendering, Ryan Dodge, Chris Blankers, Brandon Wolfswinkel, and Nick Vanden Berg. Mgrs.: Andy Shea, Mason Gustafson, Nick Mordick, and Nathan Vos. Freshman Football: Cody Hatting, Travis Nelson, Trevor Johnson, Brandon Frick, Bruce McWilliams, Connor Lindahl, Matt Youngers, Anthony Strouth, Mitchell McDonald, Josh Feldman, and Joe Kuiper. Football Coaches: Varsity – Matt Meendering, Jason Groendyke, Leon Kleinwolterink, Claude Struve, 9th Grade - Gene Bomgaars, Chuck Johnson, and Volunteer – Thad Dykstra. Football Cheerleaders: Varsity – Katie Beldt, Tara Boone, Lyndsie Meinecke, Jamie Nieuwenhuis, Jordan Rector, Sadie Schilling, Amber Smit, Amy Wilson, and Nichole Lange. Junior Varsity: Jessica Behrens, Katie Vander Plaats, Abby Lammers, Cassie Lukkes, Emily Fonkert, Korrie Merely, Morgan Poppema, Tara Schwarz, and Jacinda Holtrop. Freshman – Kelsey Cutsinger, Venesa Heddle, Carlee McGuire, and Sara Stegemann. Dance Team: Jessica Albers, Hannah Jinkinson, Jackie Klein, Ashlee McDonald, Lyndsie Meinecke, Kellie Merley, Korrie Merley, Jamie Nieuwenhuis, Emily Palecek, Sadie Schilling, Paige Van Wyk, and Amy Wilson. Cast Members Of The Fall Musical “Man Of La Mancha” are: Chris De Vries, Ashley Wagner, Kevin Meinecke, Mandy Klein, Anne Bomgaars, Graeme St. Clair, Michael Kirschbaum, Sebastian Sciegienka, Jordan Rector, Kace Groff, Evan Ascherl, Spencer Hansen, Jeremy Sheriff, Michael Debates, Aaron Van Gorp, Andrew Sterk, Bruce McWilliams, Sam Albers, Kelley McCarty, Alex Jinkinson, Rachel Cain, Jackie Klein, Kori Kruger, Amber Smit, Connor Larson, Jamie Nieuwenhuis, Kelsey Sterk, Christine Cain, Emily Palecek, Erin Abele, Jade Addengast, Kelsey Cutsinger,

Chelsea Hakeneis, Venessa Heddle, Emily Jansen, Katie Jongewaard, Kelly Kobbe, Jenna Kruger, Carlee McGuire, Alesha Pulscher, Kassi Rains, Dana Wolthuizen, Brenda Zybarth, Chris Blankers, Jen Brown, Nessa Staples, Nick Vanden Berg, Gloria Flores, Jeremiah Huff, and Margaux Vandenberg. Show Choir: Soprano – Jennifer Brown, Jenna Kruger, Kori Kruger, Mandy Klein, Connor Larson, Kellie Merley, Jamie Nieuwenhuis, Paige Van Wyk, and Megan Whitsell. Altos – Kristine Arnold, Anne Bomgaars, Jackie Klein, Kelly Kobbe, Korrie Merley, Amber Smit, Kelsey Sterk, Emily Palecek, and Ashley Wagner. Tenors – Hayden Adkins, Evan Ascherl, Michael Debates, Spencer Hansen, Alex Jinkinson, and Kevin Meinecke. Basses – Chris De Vries, Kace Groff, Michael Kirschbaum, Blake Koedam, Jeremy Sheriff, and Jordan Whitsell.

- b. School District - The Superintendent commented on a letter received from the Iowa High School Athletic Association (IHSAA), that the Sheldon Community School District was one of 196 schools in Iowa who had no athletes or coaches ejected during the 2007-2008 school year. This is 49% of the IHSAA membership.

B. Correspondence

1. The Board

- a. "What You Need To Know About Student Testing And Assessment," Volume 32, Number 8 was included in the Board Packet.
 - b. "Five Operating Principles for Effective Board Meetings," Volume 32, Number 9 was included in the Board Packet.
 - c. "Why You Need To Recruit New Members," Volume 32, Number 10 was included in the Board Packet.
2. Northwest AEA Board Briefs - No minutes received.
3. Thank You Cards-Samantha Goedken - thanking the District for the Bowers Scholarship.

C. Board Member Reports - None

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

IV. APPROVAL OF

- A. Minutes of Past Meetings** –Motion by Kecia Hickman and seconded by Gary Ihnen to approve the minutes. Roll call vote: Harlan Bousema, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. All voted Aye. Motion carried.
- B. Financial Report** – Motion by Gary Ihnen and seconded by Harlan Bousema to approve the financial report. Roll call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Harlan Bousema, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.
- C. Summary List of Bills** – Kecia Hickman reviewed the bills. Motion by Kecia Hickman and seconded by Glen Goedken to approve the List of Bills. Roll Call vote: Gary Ihnen, Aye; Harlan Bousema, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.

V. PUBLIC HEARING – None.

VI. REPORTS

- A. Committee-None
- B. Special - None

C. Administration

1. Elementary School – Mrs. McCrory reviewed her report, which was included in the Board Packet. She said the number of students enrolled in the 4-year old Preschool was 93. The grant was written for 100 students, so the money received will be a little less.
2. Middle School – Mrs. Barwick reviewed her report, which was included in the Board Packet.
3. High School - Mr. Meendering reviewed his report, which was included in the Board Packet.
4. Activities Director – Mr. Sneiderman reviewed his report, which was included in the Board Packet.
5. Superintendent -
 - a. 2008-09 Preliminary Enrollment - The estimate is that the Certified Enrollment will be down around 9 students, with the BEDS (Students in our Buildings) is around 999. The figures are for the Special Education Preschool to the 12th Grade, and do not include the students enrolled in the 4-year old Preschool.
 - b. Vehicle Purchase Update - The Superintendent is still working on the line item budget, and will have the vehicle purchase information for the October Board Meeting.
 - c. Digital Camera System For Buses - The Superintendent has included \$10,000 in the line item budget for this purchase.
 - d. Financing of East Elementary Remodeling/Building Project - The Superintendent reviewed the options that are available for financing this project. The options are General Obligation Bonds, Revenue Bonds, PPEL Capital Notes, or a mixture of the three. The Superintendent is waiting for information from the County Auditor's Office as to when a vote would be possible.
 - e. Maintenance of High School Parking Lot - The Superintendent has received a quote from Sioux Commercial Sweeping, Inc. from Sioux Center, to seal the asphalt portion of the High School Parking Lot for a price to not exceed \$3,850, and to also clean the expansion cracks and caulk them in the concrete portion of the High School Parking Lot for a price to not exceed \$4,500. There was discussion on having local firms submit a bid on doing the concrete portion. It was the consensus that the Superintendent would have the Sioux Center firm do the asphalt portion, and to check with local contractors to see if they could do the concrete portion.

At 7:20 p.m. President Van Gorp announced there would be a short recess.

At 7:35 p.m. President Van Gorp reconvened the meeting.

VII. OLD BUSINESS -None

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Open Enrollment Applications - The District has received applications for Trevor, Tyler and Emily Johnson to open enroll into the Sheldon District from the Boyden-Hull District for the 2008-09 school year. The family has moved into the Sheldon District. Motion by Gary Ihnen and seconded by Glen Goedken to approve the applications. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Harlan Bousema, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.
- B. Resignations - The District has received no letters of resignation.

- C. Contract(s) – The Superintendent recommends that the Board approve the following contract:

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Wage</u>
Juelsgaard	Jane	MS-SCI Instructional Associate	\$9.00/hour 6.5 Hours/Day

Motion by Gary Ihnen and seconded by Kecia Hickman to approve the contract. Roll Call vote: Harlan Bousema, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.

- D. Approve Lane Advancement/Career Increments - The deadline for transcripts showing completion of classes used to advance on the lane/career increments is October 1, 2008. The Superintendent will have the suggested changes for Board approval at the October Board Meeting.
- E. Adopt Special Education Handbook - The handbook is not available at this time.
- F. Consider Authorization for Application to Siouxland Athletic Conference - The Superintendent stated that the procedures manual for both the Siouxland and Lakes Conferences were included in the Board Packet. The schools in the Siouxland Conference are similar in size. There is less travel as the schools are closer together, which means lower transportation costs for both the District and the parents. There would be less lost time from school for the students. There is feeling that there would be increased gate revenue due to the shorter distances for parents to travel. Motion by Kecia Hickman and seconded by Harlan Bousema to authorize the application. The Board Members discussed the proposed conference change. Gary Ihnen said the decision was not easy. It was not a slam dunk. Glen Goedken agreed that the decision was difficult. The Lakes Conference has the integrity based on length of time the conference has been in existence. He was concerned about the small size of some of the schools, and questioned if there would be some consolidation. Harlan Bousema felt that both were great conferences, and likes the less loss of school time for the student athletes. Felt that it also would reduce the transportation expense. Feels that Sheldon has lots to offer to the Siouxland Conference. Dan Van Gorp asked about the timetable of implementation. Are we applying for the 2009-2010 school year, and would the summer programs take effect in the 2010 school year? The Siouxland schools will vote in October. Kecia Hickman said that the phone calls she has received about the proposed change have been about 50/50. She feels that we should take the opportunity to join the Siouxland Conference while we have a chance. Roll Call vote: Gary Ihnen, Nay; Glen Goedken, Nay; Harlan Bousema, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.
- G. Approve Acoustic Panels Purchase/Installation for Middle School Instrumental Music Room - Motion by Gary Ihnen and seconded by Kecia Hickman to purchase the panels from Wenger Co. for \$19,098. Wenger will install them and the payment will come from the MS-Construction Fund. Roll Call vote: Harlan Bousema, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.
- H. Consider Installation of Elementary Hard Surface Playground Area - The hard surface will connect the playground areas with the building, and will furnish an area to be used in the winter for a playground. The District has received bids from L & K Construction for \$50,795 and Farmer's Market Excavation & Concrete Company for \$47,388.50. Motion by Gary Ihnen and seconded by Kecia Hickman to award the contract to Farmer's Market Excavation & Concrete Company. Roll Call vote: Glen Goedken, Aye; Harlan Bousema, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.

- I. Consider Repair/Purchase of Gas Steam Cooker for High School Kitchen - The Superintendent recommends the repair for \$6,000 rather than purchase of a new cooker for \$16,000. Motion by Gary Ihnen and seconded by Glen Goedken to repair the steam cooker. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Harlan Bousema, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Employee Relations Conference, September 19, 2008, West Des Moines
- B. ABLE Orientation, October 9, 2008, 6-9 p.m., Sheldon
- C. IASB Delegate Assembly, November 19, 2008, Des Moines
- D. IASB Annual Convention, November 20-21, 2008, Des Moines
- E. IASB Legislative Conference, January 20, 2009, Des Moines

X. ADJOURN

At 8.09 p.m., Motion by Gary Ihnen and seconded by Harlan Bousema to adjourn. Roll call vote: Glen Goedken, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Harlan Bousema, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye; Dan Van Gorp, Aye. Motion carried.