

SHELDON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

PUBLIC HEARING ON ELEMENTARY ROOF AND HIGH SCHOOL TRACK PROJECTS

May 11, 2011

- I. CALL TO ORDER** – At 6:00 p.m., President Gary Ihnen called the meeting to order. Members present: Gary Ihnen, Glen Goedken, Kecia Hickman, Randy Merley, Susan Rensink, Robin Spears and Bill Borchers. Absent: None. Visitors: Matt Meendering, Cindy Barwick, Tanya Langholdt, Darrell Sneiderman, Rick Dean, Mike, Tami, Mallorie and Madison Van Meeteren, Kim Buenger, Carla Kleinwolterink, Rachel Nelson, Meredith & Adam Carter, Dylan Brands, Gage Butler, Lori Thiessen, Amanda De Groot, Joan Whitsell, Jay Joersz, Frank Luepke and Renee Wielenga.
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA** –The motion was made by Glen Goedken and seconded by Susan Rensink to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Randy Merley, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

President Ihnen welcomed the media, administration and the Board.

III. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Citizens, Organization(s) in Attendance

1. Public Comment – none.
2. Recognition
 - a. Students - Middle School: 8th grade math bee results: Top 20 place winners – Sam Lode and Jena Van Marel. 1st place team – Chris Jansen, Jena Van Marel, Sam Lode, Matt Buenger, and alternate Kelsey Den Hartog. High School: State Large Group results from May 7, Division I rating: Mixed Choir, Concert Choir, Boys Choir, Concert Band and Girls Choir. All Siouxland Conference Track:

Paige Van Wyk	Distance Medley Relay and 400 Hurdles
Crystal Cain	Distance Medley Relay
Michelle Fischer	Distance Medley Relay
Rachel Cain	Distance Medley Relay
 - b. Student Presentation - The 3rd Grade students studied the solar system, and some of the projects were available for viewing at the Board Meeting.

B. Correspondence

1. The Board
 - a. "Keep Little Issues From Consuming Your Meetings", Volume 35, Number 1 was included in the Board Packet.
 - b. "Anyone Can Identify A Problem", Volume 35, Number 2 was included in the Board Packet.
2. Northwest AEA Board Briefs - Minutes from the April 18, 2011 meeting.
3. Thank You Cards - The District has received a "Thank You Card" from Lori Cannoy and Deb Ten Clay for the breakfast served by the School Board during the Staff and Faculty Appreciation Week.

Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Kecia Hickman to accept the Recognition and Correspondence as part of the official Board minutes. Roll call vote: Glen Goedken, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

C. Board Member Reports -

1. Article on "Choosing The Wrong Drivers For Whole System Reform' by Michael Fullan. The Board and Superintendent Spears commented on the article.
2. IASB ABLE II - Susan Rensink attended this meeting, and said that the IASB is going to have the ABLE meetings by webinar. This will allow those who can't attend the meeting to be able to receive the information and listen to the webinar at their convenience.
3. Other

IV. APPROVAL OF

- A. Minutes of Past Meetings – Motion by Randy Merley and seconded by Glen Goedken to approve the minutes. Roll Call: Susan Rensink, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- B. Financial Report – Motion by Susan Rensink and seconded by Glen Goedken to approve the financial report. Roll call vote: Randy Merley, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried. The Superintendent updated the Board on the status of the Budget Monitoring Report.
- C. Summary List of Bills – Gary Ihnen reviewed the bills. Motion by Randy Merley and seconded by Glen Goedken to approve the bills for payment. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

VI. REPORTS

- A. Committee - None

V. PUBLIC HEARING -

At 6:30 p.m. The motion was made by Glen Goedken and seconded by Randy Merley to open the public hearing. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

- A. Elementary School Roofing/Track Projects - Rick Dean from the architect firm of Cannon, Moss, Brygger and Associates reviewed the projects with the Board. The District had received no written or oral comments either for or against the projects.

At 6:40 p.m. The motion was made by Glen Goedken and seconded by Susan Rensink to close the public hearing. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

1. Approve specifications and form of contract for the Elementary School Roofing Project and the Track Replacement Project - Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Randy Merley to approve the specifications and form of contract. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
2. Consider Award of Contract(s) for Elementary School Roofing Project and the Track Replacement Project - At the 4:30 p.m. Bid Opening, the District received the following bids:

For the Elementary Roofing Project:

Academy Roofing-Des Moines	\$373,500 base bid with \$20,700 for Alt 1.
Architectural Roofing-Sioux Falls	\$335,290 base bid with \$24,850 for Alt 1.
Dalsin-Sioux Falls	\$565,594 base bid with \$37,725 for Alt 1.
H & S Roofing-Spencer	\$269,611 base bid with \$45,000 for Alt 1.

Alternate # 1 was for New Roof Insulation, replacing the obsolete insulation used previously.

For the Track Replacement Project:

Knife River	\$418,000 base bid with \$9,000 for Alt 1.
Midwest Tennis & Track	\$487,000 base bid with \$10,617 for Alt 1.
OMG Midwest	\$463,345 base bid with \$11,511 for Alt 1.

Alternate # 1 was for track surfacing on the long jump runways.

There was discussion on the apparent low bidders of both projects. Motion by Randy Merley and seconded by Susan Rensink to award the contract for the Elementary Roofing Project to H & S Roofing of Spencer for the price of \$269,611 for the base bid and \$45,000 for Alternate # 1, and to award the contract for the Track Replacement Project to Knife River for the price of \$418,000 base bid and \$9,000 for Alternate # 1, based on the checking of previous work that they had completed. Not all the Board members or Administrators had experience with Knife River previously. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

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- B. Special - FFA Farm Test Plot Project - Mr. Bomgaars showed a presentation concerning the FFA Farm on the land rented from NCC, and also discussed how the Farm Management class used the internet and future contracts to give the students real life experiences on the decisions needed to be made in management of a farming operation.

III. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Citizens, Organization(s) in Attendance

1. Public Comment – none.
2. Recognition
 - c. Board of Education - Superintendent Spears presented each Board Member with a certificate of appreciation for the work they do, and said that there were refreshments to honor the Board.

At 7:24 p.m. President Ihnen announced that there would be a short break, so the Board could enjoy the appreciation refreshments, and to visit with the faculty that was present.

At 7:42 p.m. President Ihnen reconvened the meeting.

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C. Administration

1. Elementary - Principal Langholdt reviewed her report with the Board, and said that there has been some discussion concerning the area used for a Tornado Shelter for the Elementary Students.
2. Middle - Principal Barwick reviewed her report with the Board.
3. High - Principal Meendering reviewed his report with the Board.
4. Activities - Mr. Sneiderman reviewed his report with the Board
5. Superintendent -
 - a. Ball Field Development North of Middle School - The Superintendent reviewed the plans that have been discussed at the Public Park Planning meetings that he and Randy Merley have attended.
 - b. Siouland Conference Information - The Siouland Conference has decided to raise the admission price for students at athletic events from \$4 to \$5.
 - c. Boys Town Training- May 31, 2011 there will be training for all teachers and associates. In the fall we will share LeMars for the training of our new teachers.

- d. Effective School Research In-Service - We are looking at have Larry Lezotte and his group to come to Sheldon for the training of our staff. We possibly could share some of the cost with other schools in the area, if they also attend this training.

VII. OLD BUSINESS -

- A. 2011-12 EAST ELEMENTARY VOLUNTEER HANDBOOK (2nd READING) – Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Kecia Hickman to approve this handbook. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- B. 2011-12 STAFF ACTIVITY HANDBOOK- (2nd READING) –Motion by Randy Merley and seconded by Susan Rensink to approve this handbook. Roll Call vote: Glen Goedken, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- C. 2011-12 STAFF HANDBOOK (2nd READING) –Motion by Randy Merley and seconded by Glen Goedken to approve this handbook. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- D. 2011-12 STUDENT HANDBOOKS - (2nd READING) –
 - 1. Elementary School Student/Parent Handbook
 - 2. Middle School Student/Parent Handbook
 - 3. High School Student/Parent HandbookMotion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Susan Rensink to approve these handbooks. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- E. Board Policy Review - Policies 900-905.2, School District-Community Relations, Policy 503.1 - Student Conduct, Policies 503.2 - Suspension & Expulsion, Policies 503.4 - Good Conduct/Eligibility and Policy 505.5 - Graduation Requirements (2nd Reading) -
 - 1. 900 Principles and Objectives for Community Relations
 - 2. 901 Public Examination of School District Records
 - 3. 902.1 News Media Relations
 - 4. 902.2 News Conferences and Interviews
 - 5. 902.3 News Releases
 - 6. 902.4 Live Broadcast or Videotaping
 - 7. 903.1 School - Community Groups
 - 8. 903.2 Community Resource Persons and Volunteers
 - 9. 903.3 Visitors to School District Buildings & Sites
 - 10. 903.4 Public Conduct on School Premises
 - 11. 903.5 Distribution of Materials
 - 12. 903.5R1 Distribution of Materials Regulation
 - 13. 904.1 Transporting Students in Private Vehicles
 - 14. 904.2 Advertising and Promotion
 - 15. 905.1 Community Use of School District Buildings & Sites & Equipment
 - 16. 905.1E1 Use of Facilities-Application Form
 - 17. 905.1R1 Use of School District Facilities Regulation
 - 18. 905.1R2 Fees for Use of School District Facilities
 - 19. 905.2 Smoke-Free Environment
 - 20. 503.1 Student Conduct
 - 21. 503.1R1 Student Discipline Policy
 - 22. 503.1R2 Student Discipline – Administrative Rules & Regulations
 - 23. 503.2 Suspension and Expulsion
 - 24. 503.2R1 Suspension – Administrative Rules and Regulations
 - 25. 503.2R2 Expulsion – Administrative Rules and Regulations
 - 26. 503.4 Good Conduct Policy

27. 503.4R1 Eligibility Policy

28. 503.4R2 Academic Eligibility Policy

29. 505.5 Graduation Requirements

Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Kecia Hickman to approve these policies.

Roll Call vote: Randy Merley, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATIONS - None.

B. RESIGNATIONS - There are six resignations to consider at this time: 1) Thad Dykstra is resigning from his 9th Grade Basketball Coaching position. 2) Cassie Reed is resigning from her Middle School teaching position effective at the conclusion of the 2010-11 school year. 3) Jay Joersz is resigning from his Middle School Boy's Wrestling Coaching position. 4) Rhonda Vanden Hull is resigning from her bus driver position. 5) Tim Kamstra is resigning from his bus driver position. 6) Joel Pedersen is resigning from his Middle School Band Instructor position effective at the conclusion of the 2010-11 school year. The Superintendent recommends accepting the resignations. Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Randy Merley to accept the resignations. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

C. CONTRACT(S) – It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board approve the following contracts at this time:

Krystal Kooiker -MS Language Arts Teacher \$37,375.66; and Nancy Woelber - Part Time Custodian \$12.00/hour.

Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Susan Rensink to approve these contracts. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

D. AUTHORIZE 2011-12 TEACHING STAFF CONTRACTS - Motion by Kecia Hickman and seconded by Glen Goedken to issue the contracts using the current dollar amount. Teacher contract salaries will be adjusted after a contract is finalized with the Sheldon Education Association. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

E. AUTHORIZE 2011-12 COACHING CONTRACTS - Motion by Randy Merley and seconded by Glen Goedken to issue the contracts using the current dollar amount. Coaching contract salaries will be adjusted after a contract is finalized with the Sheldon Education Association. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

F. SET 2011 SUMMER DRIVER EDUCATION TEACHER COMPENSATION - The Superintendent recommends that the Driver Education teacher compensation be increased by \$2 per student to \$190/student. Motion by Kecia Hickman and seconded by Susan Rensink to approve the increased Driver Education teacher. Roll Call vote: Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

G. CONSIDER CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH AG PARTNERS - Motion by Susan Rensink and seconded by Randy Merley to approve the contract. Roll Call vote: Glen Goedken, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

H. CONSIDER STUDENT DISCIPLINE RECOMMENDATION(S) - The Superintendent recommends that Student "X" be expelled from school for the remainder of the fourth term of the 2010-11 school year and the first term of the 2011-12 school year. Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Randy Merley to approve the Superintendent's recommendation. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

- I. **CONSIDER TEXTBOOK ADOPTIONS** - The Superintendent recommends approval of the textbook adoptions for both the Middle and High Schools. The cost of the Middle School textbooks will be \$29,157.30 and the High School textbooks will cost \$5,422.90. Motion by Kecia Hickman and seconded by Glen Goedken to approve the adoption as presented. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- J. **CONSIDER VEHICLE PURCHASE(S)** - The Superintendent recommends the purchase of a 2011 Ford Taurus from Drenkow Motors for \$25,765.00. This price is after a rebate of \$2,000 and a trade in allowance of \$1,000 for the 1999 Ford Taurus. The Superintendent also recommends the purchase of a 2010 Chevrolet Suburban from Hamill Motors for \$32,700.00. This price is after a trade in allowance of \$6,975.00 for the 1995 Ford Econoline Van. Motion by Susan Rensink and seconded by Randy Merley to approve these purchases. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- K. **CONSIDER PURCHASE OF STAGE CURTAINS FOR HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM** - The District has received two quotes on replacement of the curtains. The low bid is for \$19,017.50 from VIPS and is about \$2,000 less than the bid received from Scholastic Equipment Co. Motion by Kecia Hickman and seconded by Susan Rensink to purchase the High School Auditorium stage curtains from VIPS. Roll Call vote: Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- L. **CONSIDER PURCHASE OF PA SYSTEM FOR HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING** - It is recommended by the Superintendent to purchase the PA system from HTC for \$17,540. Motion by Randy Merley and seconded by Glen Goedken to approve the purchase from HTC. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- M. **CONSIDER ELEMENTARY HVAC SOFTWARE UPGRADE** - Motion by Kecia Hickman and seconded by Randy Merley to purchase the upgrade from C. W. Suter. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- N. **BUILDING TECHNOLOGY NEEDS FOR 2011-12-CONSIDER TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADE PURCHASE** - The Superintendent recommends the purchase of 62 Desktop Computers, 47 Computer Monitors, 200 Laptops and 3 Mobile Carts. These computers will be used in all buildings to replace the old computers, so we can upgrade to Windows 7. The computers will be paid for from the General Fund Instructional Support, Food Service Program, and with some funds the District will receive from the Microsoft Settlement. Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Randy Merley to approve these purchases. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- O. **CONSIDER SCHOOL BUS ENGINE REPLACEMENT** - Morgan Collision & Tire Center has estimated that the replacement of the blown engine in Bus # 1 will be approximately \$20,400. The Superintendent recommends replacement of the engine. Motion by Kecia Hickman and seconded by Randy Merley to have Morgan Collision & Tire Center, replace the engine. Roll Call vote: Glen Goedken, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- P. **DESIGNATE JOHN N. & IRENE E. BOWERS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS** - The Sheldon Education Foundation has designated four students for the scholarships at \$6,000. each. The scholarship recipients will be announced on Wednesday, May 18, 2011 during Sheldon High School Awards Program. Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Susan Rensink to approve the recipients. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

- Q. DISCUSS IASB 2012 LEGISLATIVE ACTION PRIORITIES - The action priorities were included with the Board Packet. The Board members will review them, and decide on their priorities for next meeting.
- R SET DATE FOR FY11 BUDGET AMENDMENT HEARING - Motion by Susan Rensink and seconded by Kecia Hickman to have the hearing on Wednesday, May 25, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Library. Roll Call vote: Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS –

- A. IASB District Meetings, June 21, 2011, 6:00-8:30 p.m. (TBA)
B. IASB Fiscal Management Conference, July 20, 2011, Ames

X. ADJOURN

At 9:12 p.m., Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Randy Merley to adjourn. Roll call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

Enter closed session as provided in Chapter 20, Section 20.17 (3) of the Iowa Code to conduct a strategy meeting of a public employer concerning the employees covered by a collective bargaining agreement.

At 9:15 p.m. the Board went into closed session.

At 9:42 p.m. the Board came out of closed session.

Superintendent Evaluation - Closed Session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1i) - to evaluate the professional competence of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session.

At 9:50 p.m. the Board went into closed session.

At 10:22 p.m. the Board came out of closed session and left.