

SHELDON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

November 10, 2010

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, Kelsey Buyers, Abby Lammers, Frank Luepke and Renee Wielenga. President Ihnen welcomed the media, administration and the Board.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Superintendent Spears said that he would have a couple of items to add to his report. Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Randy Merley to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

III. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Citizens, Organization(s) in Attendance

1. Public Comment – none.
2. Recognition

- a. Students - NHS Inductees – Seniors: Sarah Blankers, Rachel Cain, Jordan Dykstra, Oliver Hickman, Toby Lo, Ryan Lode and Amber Smit. Juniors: Erin Abele, Jessica Albers, Michelle Fischer, Brandon Frick, Kellie Goedken, Victoria Hoogendoorn, Emily Jansen, Kaitlin Jongewaard, Jenna Kruger, Joe Kuiper, Korrie Merley, Callie Nordahl, Ryan Peterson, Alesha Pulscher, Crystal Rodger, Nicole Van Beek, Paige Van Wyk and Dana Wolthuizen. Amber Smit has been asked to sing the National Anthem at the Football Playoff game on Monday, November 15, 2010, at the UNI-Dome.
- b. Student Presentation - Abby Lammers & Kelsey Buyers spoke on the Health Occupations program that the District offers. The program has allowed both girls to obtain their CNA certifications.

B. Correspondence

1. The Board
 - a. "When To Let The Bandwagon Pass You By", Volume 34, Number 13 was included in the Board Packet.
 2. Northwest AEA Board Briefs - Minutes from the October 18, 2010 meeting.
 3. Thank You Cards - The District has received a "Thank You Email" from Terry Boone thanking the District for spending the funds and having modern and nice facilities.

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

C. Board Member Reports -

1. IASB Able Meeting - Susan Rensink attended the meeting and shared information with the Board. The other Board members will be attending the same session at the IASB Convention next week.
2. Other - None

IV. APPROVAL OF

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

V. PUBLIC HEARING - None

VI. REPORTS

- A. Committee - None
- B. Special - None
- C. Administration
 - 1. Elementary School – Ms. Langholdt reviewed her report. Hope to have the interviews for the Elementary Library Associate completed by the end of next week.
 - 2. Middle School – Mrs. Barwick reviewed her report. The Bake Sale that the students had for LOVE Inc. raised \$310. The students were from Ms. Noack and Mr. Albers TA's. (Teacher Advisory)
 - 3. High School - Mr. Meendering reviewed his report.
 - 4. Activities Director – Mr. Sneiderman reviewed his report.

At 7:00 p.m. President Ihnen announced that there would be a short break.

At 7:06 p.m. President Ihnen reconvened the meeting.

- 5. Superintendent -
 - a. 2010-11 Enrollment Update - Superintendent Spears updated the Board on the revised enrollment figures.
 - b. Northland Securities, Inc., Official Statement Report - The report is available in the Board Secretary's office. This report was part of the Middle School Bond Refinancing.
 - c. The 90/90/90 Schools: A Case Study - Superintendent Spears talked about the article that was included in the Board Packet.

Superintendent Spears said that the District will add an in-town bus route to handle the additional in-town riders. This will help to reduce the over crowding on the regular route buses.

VII. OLD BUSINESS -

- A. Board Policy Review - 2nd Reading
 - 1. 200.1 Organization of the Board of Directors
 - 2. 200.2 Powers of the Board of Directors
 - 3. 200.3 Responsibilities of the Board of Directors
 - 4. 201 Board of Directors' Elections
 - 5. 202.1 Qualifications
 - 6. 202.2 Oath of Office
 - 7. 202.3 Term of Office

 - 8. 202.4 Vacancies

9. 203 Board of Directors' Conflict of Interest
10. 204 Code of Ethics
11. 205 Board Member Liability
12. 206.1 President
13. 206.2 Vice President
14. 206.3 Secretary-Treasurer
15. 207 Board of Directors' Legal Counsel
16. 208 Ad Hoc Committees
17. 208.1E1 Ad Hoc Committees Exhibit

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

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATIONS - None
- B. RESIGNATIONS - The District has received a resignation from Marlys Wolthuizen as Middle School Library Associate, effective October 29, 2010. Motion by Randy Merley and seconded by Kecia Hickman to accept the resignation. Roll Call vote: Glen Goedken, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- C. CONTRACT(S) – None
- D. CONSIDER EDUCATION JOBS FUND PROGRAM RESOLUTION - Motion by Kecia Hickman and seconded by Randy Merley to adopt the following resolution.
 WHEREAS the Board is grateful for the receipt of Federal Education Jobs funds to help the district hire and retain quality employees during this tough economic time, and
 WHEREAS the Board has the authority to dedicate those funds to job retention for building level employees up to Sept. 30, 2012, and
 WHEREAS the State of Iowa revenue picture is improving slowly, and
 WHEREAS the future of the district's revenues is uncertain regarding the possibility of another across-the-board budget reduction or underfunding of allowable growth, and
 WHEREAS the Legislature has not yet established an allowable growth rate for the FY 2011-12 school year,
 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board: the Board hereby directs the Superintendent to utilize Federal Education Jobs funds toward the goal of maintaining current 2010-11 district employment levels for the 2011-12 school year, absent any unforeseen further reductions in district revenues or enrollment.
 Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- E. 2011-12 School Calendar (1st Reading) - The Superintendent explained the proposed calendar to the Board, and discussed the changes from this year. The Board should review the calendar, and it will be discussed at the December Board Meeting. The District Leadership Team will have a meeting to discuss the calendar in November. The Board will act on adopting the calendar at the January 2011 Board Meeting. Motion by Randy Merley and seconded by Glen Goedken to pass the calendar to its second reading. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

- F. DESIGNATE INVESTMENT BANK FOR EXCESS TAX FUNDS - The District has received bids from the financial institutions located in the District. Motion by Susan Rensink and seconded by Glen Goedken to designate People's Bank for the investment of the excess tax funds. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- G. SET DATE FOR BOARD/ADMINISTRATIVE WORKSESSION - Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Randy Merley to have the work session on December 8, 2010 starting at 4:00 p.m. in the High School Library. Roll call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- H. Board Policy Review - Policies 209.1 thru 210.10 Board of Directors (1st Reading)
1. 209.1 Development of Policy
 2. 209.2 Adoption of Policy
 3. 209.3 Dissemination of Policy
 4. 209.4 Suspension of Policy
 5. 209 Administration in the Absence of Policy
 6. 209.6 Review and Revision of Policy
 7. 209.7 Review of Administrative Regulations
 8. 210.1 Annual Meeting
 9. 210.2 Regular Meeting
 10. 210.3 Special Meeting
 11. 210.4 Work Sessions
 12. 210.5 Meeting Notice
 13. 210.6 Quorum
 14. 210.7 Rules of Order
 15. 210.7R1 Rules of Order Regulation
 16. 210.8 Board Meeting Agenda
 17. 210.8R1 Order of the Regular Board of Director's Meeting
 18. 210.9 Method of Voting
 19. 210.1 Consent Agendas
- Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Kecia Hickman to pass these policies to their second reading. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS-

- A. IASB Annual Convention, November 17 & 18, 2010, Des Moines

X. ADJOURN

At 8:05 p.m., Motion by Randy Merley and seconded by Glen Goedken to adjourn. Roll call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.