

SHELDON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

July 11, 2012

- 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, Susan Rensink, Randy Merley, Robin Spears and Bill Borchers. Absent: none. Visitors: Cindy Barwick, Tanya Langholdt, Matt Meendering, Tom Traughber, and Allison Suesse. President Ihnen welcomed the media, administration and the Board.

- II. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** –The Superintendent added item d to his report, and Item P to the agenda. Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Randy Merley to approve the amended 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 - **SUMMER THEATRE PARTICPANTS – 2012: SENIORS;** Erin Abele, Jessica Albers, Michelle Fischer, Emily Jansen, Katie Jongewaard, Joe Kuiper, Callie Nordahl, Ryan Peterson, Alesha Pulscher and Dana Wolthuizen. **JUNIORS;** Destiny Ginger, Hannah Hickman, Jacob Ihnen, Jett Korver, Toby Maggert, Scott Stallmann, Anita Thong Vanh, Eric Van Wyk, Jacob Ven Huizen, Michaela Wagner and Amy Warnke. **SOPHOMORES;** Katherine Albers, Karl Arnold, Naara Bautista, Katherine Bomgaars, Bailey Buenger, Ellie Clark, Chrissy DeKok, Olivia DeKok, Dylan Foreman, Noah Hickman, Brianna Huff, Keri Kamphoff, Gage Karolczak, Amelia Knuth, Bethany Lenderink, Emily Lidiak, Kevin Miller, Elizabeth Salter, Jacob Sample and Sara Stephens. **FRESHMEN;** Rachel Abele, Emma Beahler, Allorie Feekes, Addison Grant, Rosa Gude, Emily Johnson, Kaci Kruger, Shane Madsen, Chewey Rodriguez, Allegra St. Clair, Emily Van Gent and Brittany Van Wyk. **High School SLT (School Leadership Team) for 2012-2013: Seniors;** President – Grant Weaver, Vice President – Scott Stallmann, Secretary - Hannah Hickman and Treasurer – Jacob Ihnen. **Juniors;** President – Benjamin Lichty, Vice President – Katherine Bomgaars, Secretary – Bailey Buenger and Treasurer – Bethany Lenderink. **Juniors - Prom Committee;** Gage Karolczak, Marti Vogel, Dalton McQueen, Caitlin Cain, Tanner Whitsell, Allison Jongewaard, Noah Hickman and Megan Lovan. **Sophomores;** President - Matt Buenger, Vice President - Addison Grant, Secretary - Rachel Abele and Treasurer - Brittany Van Wyk. **Freshmen;** President: Emma Van Meeteren, Vice President: Ian Jongewaard, Secretary: Haley Jungers and Treasurer: Jessica Karolczak.
 - B. Correspondence
 1. The Board
 - a. “When A New Member Joins The Board” Volume 36, Number 5 was included in the Board Packet.
 - b. "Six Secrets For Making Your Board Presence Count” Volume 36, Number 5 was included in the Board Packet.
 2. Northwest AEA Board Briefs - Minutes from the June 18, 2012 meeting.

Motion by Randy Merley and seconded by Glen Goedken to include the recognition and correspondence as part of the 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 – None.

IV. APPROVAL OF

- A. Minutes of Past Meetings – Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Kecia Hickman to approve the minutes. Roll Call: Susan Rensink, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, 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: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Susan Rensink, 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; Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

V. PUBLIC HEARING – None.

VI. REPORTS

- A. Committee - None
- B. Special-
 - 1. EMC District Insurance Program Summary – Ron Rensink reviewed the program with the Board. Ron suggested a couple of additional coverage that could be added to the program to increase the coverage. The coverage is an additional \$500,000 of coverage on the crime policy for \$875.00, and increasing to \$250,000 of coverage on the Data Compromise policy for \$1,339.00. These changes would make the total coverage on the crime policy of \$1,000,000.00 and on the Data Compromise policy the total coverage would be \$250,000.00. Motion by Randy Merley and seconded by Kecia Hickman to authorize these increases. Roll Call vote: Glen Goedken, Aye; Susan Rensink, Abstain; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- C. Administration
 - 1. Elementary School – Ms. Langholdt reviewed her report.
 - 2. Middle School – Mrs. Barwick reviewed her report.
 - 3. High School - Mr. Meendering reviewed his report.
 - 4. Activities Director – Mr. Niece’s report was included in the Board Packet.

At 7:05 p.m. President Ihnen said there would be a short break.

At 7:20 p.m. President Ihnen reconvened the meeting.

- 5. Superintendent –
 - a. Perkins Grant Approval – The State of Iowa has approved the grant for Perkins funding for FY13.
 - b. Update Regarding Location of KeBecca Program – The Superintendent has been in contact with the State Department of Education concerning this program. The State at first said that the program could not be run by us, if it was located at Hope Haven in Rock Valley, as it was not located in the Sheldon District. The Superintendent looked at various locations in Sheldon to house the program. The State has now said that the program could be held at Hope Haven in Rock Valley, and Sheldon could be the fiscal agent for the program. The Superintendent is waiting for word

from Hope Haven to see if we could still have the program in Rock Valley. The Superintendent should receive word within the next week.

- c. Update Regarding East Elementary Building Project – There had been a KIDS (Keep Improving District Schools) meeting. There is currently about 18 community members and parents on the committee. It would be ideal to have more, so that if some members can't be at the meetings, there would still be enough to discuss and plan. The committee will need to commit to the planning and purpose of the elementary addition.
- d. Advance Ed Report – This report is the result of the site visit that the District has a couple of years ago. The plan has been accepted.

VII. OLD BUSINESS –

- A. Adopt IASB 2013 Legislative Action Priorities – The Board decided to adopt Items # 16, 18, 19, 20 and 22 of the 2012 IASB Legislative Action Priorities and Resolutions, as furnished by IASB. The priorities are:

The Iowa Association of School Boards:

#16 Supports legislation that provides greater flexibility for school districts to meet changing needs, become more efficient, protect natural resources and save public funds.

#18 Supports the repeal of the legislated school start date and restoration of local school district authority to determine when it is in the best interest of students to start school.

#19 Supports the used of physical plant and equipment levy (PPEL) funds for the maintenance and repair of equipment or infrastructure that can be purchased or financed with PPEL funds.

#20 Supports legislation allowing school bond issues to be passed by a simple majority vote and to permit the local school board to levy a combination of property taxes and income surtaxes to pay the indebtedness.

#22 Supports tax increment financing (TIF) limitation, reform and regulation. Reforms should increase accountability and transparency for local government entities utilizing TIF. School districts should have the ability to implement TIF for certain types of facility expenditures and must be an equal partner with cities or counties when implementing new TIFs. In addition, we oppose residential TIFs unless the impacted school district(s) approve.

Motion by Goedken and Rensink to adopt the above priorities. Roll call vote: All voted Aye. Motion carried.

- B. Reconsider 28E Agreement between the Sheldon Community School District and the City of Sheldon – There was discussion and review by the Board. Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Randy Merley to send the original 28E agreement back to the City of Sheldon for reconsideration, with the Superintendent to attend the council meeting, when the agreement is reconsidered, to explain the reasoning why the agreement was returned. There was much discussion between the Board members. They feel that the project is still worthwhile. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Nay; Kecia Hickman, Nay; Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATIONS** – None.

- B. **RESIGNATIONS** – None.

- C. **CONTRACT(S)** –

<u>First</u>	<u>Last</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Eric	Maassen	Head High School Volleyball Coach	\$4,827
Tricia	Meendering	HS Special Education Instructional Associate	6 hrs./Day -

Johanna	Henke	MS Special Education Instructional Associate	\$9.00/hr. 2 hrs./Day- \$9.00/hr.
Walt	Pruiksma	Concessions Coordinator	\$3,218

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

- D. APPROVE VOLUNTEER COACHES** – Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Kecia Hickman to approve Leon Kleinwolterink and Tyler Lloyd as volunteer coaches for the Football Program. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- E. DESIGNATE SCHOOL DISTRICT TEST COORDINATOR** – Motion by Kecia Hickman and seconded by Glen Goedken to designate Superintendent Spears as the District Test Coordinator. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- F. CONSIDER CONSTRUCTION OF TEMPORARY WALL FOR EAST ELEMENTARY MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM** - Superintendent Spears explained where the wall would be and how it would work. The cost would be about \$16,000. Motion by Kecia Hickman and seconded by Randy Merley to approve construction of the wall. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- G. CONSIDER INDIVIDUAL STUDENT ENROLLMENTS AGREEMENT WITH NCC -**
- H. CONSIDER CLASS SIZE ENROLLMENTS AGREEMENT WITH NCC -**
- I. CONSIDER ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL COOPREATIVE AGREEMENT WITH NCC -**
- J. CONSIDER DIGITAL SIGNATURE AGREEMENT WITH NCC** – Motion by Kecia Hickman and seconded by Randy Merley to approve items G-J. Roll Call vote: Glen Goedken, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- K. CONSIDER TEXTBOOK DONATION TO CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS** - Due to the purchase of new textbooks for East Elementary, there is a substantial number of old elementary textbooks and supporting materials that will no longer be used at East Elementary. The typical protocol for disposition of old textbooks is to first try to sell the materials at a school garage sale which usually results in not many materials being sold. Any materials left over would then be taken to the landfill for disposal. Since these materials may still provide some type of educational purpose to someone else, the school district has two area churches (Crossroads Community Church and First Christian Reformed Church) that are interested in taking the instructional materials off the school district hands and distributing them to some entity that could make good use of these materials. I believe that a public purpose can be served through the donation of these educational materials to the Crossroads Community Church and the First Christian Reformed Church to distribute to needy non-profit organizations. The alternative would be to dispose of the materials in the landfill which is not the best option. It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board authorize the donation of these educational materials to the Crossroads Community Church and the First Christian Reformed Church for the purpose of distributing these educational materials to a needy non-profit organization. Motion by Susan Rensink and seconded by Glen Goedken to follow the Superintendent’s recommendation on donation of the textbooks. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

L. AUTHORIZE NW AEA TRANSPORTATION REQUEST – Motion by Randy Merley and seconded by Glen Goedken to authorize the Superintendent to file this request with NW AEA. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

M. BOARD POLICY REVIEW (APPROVAL)

1. 506.1-Student record access
2. 506.2-Student Directory Information

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

N. BOARD POLICY REVIEW (1ST READING)

1. 507.9 – Wellness Policy
2. 704.2R1 – Post-Issuance Compliance Regulation For Tax-Exempt Obligations (New Policy)
3. 708 – Care, Maintenance and Disposal of School District Records
4. 802.4 – Capital Assets (Formally Titled Inventory)
5. 802.4R1 – Capital Assets Regulation (New Policy)
6. 802.4R2 – Capital Assets Management System Definitions (New Policy)

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

O. CONSIDER AGREEMENT WITH AG PARTNERS – Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Randy Merley to approve this agreement. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

P. SET THE DATE OF THE AUGUST BOARD MEETING - Motion by Susan Rensink and seconded by Randy Merley to have the board meeting on August 15, 2012, starting at 6:00 p.m. in the High School library. Roll call vote: Glen Goedken, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS –

- A. IASB Fiscal Management Conference; July 18, 2012; Ames; 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

X. ADJOURN

At 8:30 p.m., Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Kecia Hickman to adjourn. Roll call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Randy Merley, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

Superintendent Evaluation – Closed Session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1i) – to evaluate the professional competency 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 request a closed session.

At 8:38 p.m. by consensus the Board went into closed session.

At 9:50 p.m. by consensus the Board came out of the closed session and left the building.