

Meeting Minutes

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Attendees - voting members

Kecia Hickman President
Susan Rensink Vice President
Mark Brown Board Member
Glen Goedken Board Member
Randy Merley Board Member

I. Call to Order - Roll Call

At 6:02 PM, Board President Kecia Hickman called the meeting to order with the following members present: Susan Rensink, Glen Goedken, Randy Merley, Mark Brown and Kecia Hickman.

Superintendent Robin Spears and Board Secretary LaDonn Hartzell were present, as well as Tanya Langholdt, Elementary Principal; Cindy Barwick, Middle School Principal; Matt Meendering, High School Principal; Justin Albers, Activities Director.

Members of the Press: Tom Troughber and Allison Suesse

There were no visitors.

II. Approval of Agenda

Superintendent Spears reported no changes to the agenda. He noted that new board member, Mark Brown, was issued the Oath of Office by the board secretary on November 22, 2013.

Motion made by: Glen Goedken

Motion seconded by: Randy Merley

Voting

Unanimously Approved

III. Communications

A. Citizens, Organization(s) in Attendance

1. Public Comment

None.

2. Recognition

a. Student

Board members were given a list of high school students for recognition. The list is attached to these minutes.

b. Presentation - APL Strategies/Instructional Rounds

Superintendent Robin Spears presented a brief overview of the APL Strategies and results of the Instructional Rounds conducted on three separate dates in each of the three buildings this fall in the district.

The three building principals added their comments regarding APL Strategies, APL training and Instructional Rounds.

Board members received written reports of each Instructional Rounds session from each building.

The next Instructional Rounds session is scheduled for February 12. Board members were encouraged to participate.

- B. Correspondence
 - 1. "The Board" Publication
 - a. The Board, "How You Can Identify and Respond to Emerging Issues," Volume 37, Number 15
 - b. The Board, "Technology: Part of the Answer," Volume 37, Number 16
 - 2. NW AEA Board Meeting Minutes - November Board Meeting
 - 3. Receipt of "Thank You" Cards
None.

Board President called for a motion to approve all correspondence.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Glen Goedken

Voting

Unanimously Approved

- C. Board Member Reports
 - 1. IASB Annual Convention
Kecia Hickman, Susan Rensink, Mark Brown and Superintendent Spears shared thoughts and ideas from the IASB Annual Convention they attended in DesMoines on November 21.
 - 2. IASB Board President's Conference
Kecia Hickman and Superintendent Spears shared their thoughts from the IASB Board President's Conference in Altoona on December 4.
 - 3. Other?

IV. APPROVAL OF:

- A. Minutes of Past Meeting(s)
Board members reviewed minutes of the 11.18.13 board meeting.
Motion made by: Susan Rensink
Motion seconded by: Randy Merley
Voting
Kecia Hickman - Yes
Susan Rensink - Yes
Mark Brown - Abstain
Glen Goedken - Yes
Randy Merley - Yes
- B. Summary List of Bills
Susan Rensink reviewed the bills and recommended the board approve them as presented.
Motion made by: Susan Rensink
Motion seconded by: Glen Goedken
Voting
Unanimously Approved

V. PUBLIC HEARING(S)

None.

VI. REPORTS

- A. Committee
None.
- B. Special
None.
- C. Administration
 - 1. Elementary School Principal
Tanya Langholdt, Elementary Principal, provided the board with a written

report and briefly reviewed recent professional development activities, elementary events and East Elementary construction progress.

2. Middle School Principal
Cindy Barwick, Middle School Principal, provided the board with a written report, as well as reviewed current assessments and middle school activities.
3. High School Principal
Matt Meendering, High School Principal provided the board with a written report, as well as updated them on high school activities.

He also referred to the Safety Task Force Committee and the activities which have taken place in regard to keeping our buildings safe and how to react in dangerous situations. There is an informational meeting scheduled for the in-service day on January 2, which will provide ALICE training (Alert Lockdown Inform Counter Evacuate) for Sheldon School District staff, as well as the staff from Sheldon Christian School and St. Patrick's School. Following the informational meeting, the school board will make a decision whether or not the Sheldon Community School District will participate in future training sessions.

4. Activities Director
Justin Albers, Activities Director, presented a written report for information, as well as updated the board on current activities in the district. He made special mention of the fact that National Honor Society assisted in raising \$3000 for breast cancer research through Sanford Hospital. He also recognized athletic teams who received recognition for GPA accomplishments. Mr. Albers stressed the importance of activities and shared data comparing extracurricular participation and GPA.
5. Superintendent
 - a. East Elementary Building/Renovation Project Update
Superintendent Spears reported on the progress of East Elementary Project. He invited board members to schedule a tour with him to view the progress firsthand.
 - b. Teacher Leadership and Compensation Committee
Board members received minutes of the Teacher Leadership & Compensation Planning Committee meeting, held on 12.02.13. Superintendent Spears updated the board regarding the TLC initiative.
 - c. Nurses Report
Board members received the monthly nurse's report for information.
 - d. Transportation Report
Board members received the monthly transportation report for information.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Sheldon Substitute Teachers Handbook - 2013-14
The Superintendent recommended that the Board adopt the 2013-14 Sheldon Substitute Teacher's Handbook as presented.
Motion made by: Glen Goedken
Motion seconded by: Mark Brown
Voting
Unanimously Approved
- B. Board Policy Review
Superintendent Spears recommended that the Board adopt the section of Board Policies 209.1--210.10, including the change in Board Policy 210.5 - Meeting

Notice.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Glen Goedken

Voting

Unanimously Approved

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Open Enrollment Application(s)

Voting

Unanimously Approved

1. Open Enrollment Applications

Superintendent Spears presented Open Enrollment applications for a family with two students, who recently moved into the Sheldon Community School District from Sibley-Ocheyedan. As a result of this change in residence, the March 1 deadline is waived.

Motion made by: Glen Goedken

Motion seconded by: Susan Rensink

Voting

Unanimously Approved

- B. Resignation(s)

None.

- C. Contracts

The Superintendent recommended that the Board approve the following contracts:

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Wage/Salary</u>
Mireya	Zapata	MS ESL Instructional Associate	\$9.50/hr - 7 hrs/day
Amanda	Moeller	East Food Service Staff	\$13.78/hr - 2 hrs/day

Motion made by: Randy Merley

Motion seconded by: Glen Goedken

Voting

Unanimously Approved

- D. Consider At-Risk/Dropout Prevention Allowable Growth Budget Application

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve the At-Risk/Dropout Prevention Allowable Growth Application as presented.

Motion made by: Glen Goedken

Motion seconded by: Mark Brown

Voting

Unanimously Approved

- E. Approve Contracts for Students Receiving Educational Services in Other School Districts

Superintendent Spears recommended that the Board approve the following educational service contracts for school district resident students receiving educational services in other school districts:

- Student "D.J." – River Valley Community School District, Sioux City, IA
- Student "J.B." - Council Bluffs Community School District, Council Bluffs,

IA

Board President called for a motion to approve both contracts as presented.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Randy Merley

Voting

Unanimously Approved

F. Approve Contract With Ag Partners

The Superintendent recommended the Board approve this contract between Ag Partners and Sheldon FFA.

Motion made by: Randy Merley

Motion seconded by: Glen Goedken

Voting

Unanimously Approved

G. Cast Ballot for IASB Board of Directors

There is an open seat on the IASB Board of Directors due to Amy Jurrens selection as IASB Board of Directors President. Dale Kraayenbrink from Sioux Center is running for the open seat on the IASB Board of Directors.

The Superintendent recommended the board vote for Mr. Kraayenbrink or name another individual for this seat.

Motion to cast our district ballot for Dale Kraayenbrink.

Motion made by: Randy Merley

Motion seconded by: Glen Goedken

Voting

Unanimously Approved

H. High School 2014-15 Registration Booklet (1st Reading)

Board members considered the first reading of the 2014-15 High School Registration Booklet. Mr. Meendering highlighted changes.

Board President called for motion to approve first reading.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Glen Goedken

Voting

Unanimously Approved

I. Board Policy Review

Board members considered first reading for Board Policies 211-218. The Superintendent recommended the agenda notice timeline be changed from five days to three days.

Board President called for a motion to approve first reading for this section of Board Policy.

Motion made by: Mark Brown

Motion seconded by: Glen Goedken

Voting

Unanimously Approved

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

A. Other?

None.

X. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Board President Kecia Hickman called for a motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Motion made by: Susan Rensink

Motion seconded by: Randy Merley

Voting

Unanimously Approved

Chairperson

Secretary