

SHELDON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

July 10, 2013

- I. CALL TO ORDER** – At 6:00 PM, President Gary Ihnen called the meeting to order.
Members present: Gary Ihnen, Glen Goedken, Kecia Hickman, Susan Rensink.
Absent: Randy Merley.
Superintendent Robin Spears, Board Secretary, LaDonn Hartzell were also present.
Visitors: Cindy Barwick, Tanya Langholdt, Matt Meendering, Justin Albers, Ron Rensink, Rick Dean, Marv VanRiessen, Adam Beesew, Jim Gude.
Press: Tom Traughber and Allison Suesse.

President Ihnen welcomed the guests, media, administration and the Board.

- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Susan Rensink to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, 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 – Audrey Gustafson, All-Siouxland Conference Academic /Softball.
- B. Correspondence
1. The Board
 - a. “Leading a Commitment-Based Organization” Volume 37, Number 5 was included in the Board Packet.
 - b. "A Divided Board and Decision-Making” Volume 37, Number 6 was included in the Board Packet.
 2. Northwest AEA Board Briefs - Minutes from the June 17, 2013 meeting.

Motion by Susan Rensink and seconded by Kecia Hickman to include the recognition and correspondence as part of the Board Minutes. Roll Call vote: Glen Goedken, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

- C. Board Member Reports
1. none.

IV. APPROVAL OF

- A. Minutes of Past Meetings, June 12 and June 26, 2013 -- Motion by Susan Rensink and seconded by Glen Goedken to approve the minutes. Roll Call: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

- B. Financial Report – Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Susan Rensink to approve the (May 2013) Treasurer’s Report. Roll call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.
- C. Summary List of Bills – Susan Rensink reviewed the bills prior to the meeting. Motion by Susan Rensink and seconded by Glen Goedken to approve the bills for payment. Roll Call vote: Glen Goedken, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

V. PUBLIC HEARING – EAST ELEMENTARY ADDITION/REMODEL PROJECT –

Motion by Kecia Hickman to open public hearing and seconded by Susan Rensink. Roll Call vote: Glen Goedken, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

Superintendent Spears reported no written or oral comments submitted to his office prior to the meeting.

Rick Dean, representing Cannon, Moss, Brygger & Associates reported there have been seven contractors express interest in the project.

Marv VanRiessen encouraged the board to complete the restrooms even though they have discussed several options. Superintendent Spears assured Mr. VanRiessen that the restroom will be completed but most likely separate from the project bid.

Board members reviewed the following schedule:

- Pre-Construction Meeting – July 15
- Open Bids – July 25
- Special Mtg to Award bid –July 29

Motion by Glen Goedken to close public hearing and seconded by Susan Rensink. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

VI. REPORTS

- A. Committee -- None
- B. Special – Ron Rensink was present to review the district insurance policy and loss ratio. He referred to the 2013-14 premium of \$216,357 including Equipment Breakdown. Superintendent Spears commented that Equipment Breakdown coverage may increase to include SmartBoard coverage.
- 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. Albers reviewed his report.

7:18 PM – board took a short break and reconvened at 7:25 PM.

5. Superintendent –
 - a. Updated the board on the ball field project
 - b. Reported he has been investigating software for paperless board meetings. Kecia Hickman and Susan Rensink offered to assist with this decision.
 - c. Reported he and the business manager are looking at three options for finance software upgrade.
 - d. Shared mementos of Leona Crumling, from the Class of 1925. These items were given to the school from her family.

VII. OLD BUSINESS –

A. IASB 2014 LEGISLATIVE ACTION PRIORITIES –

Board members discussed and agreed on the following priorities:

- #12. Education Reform
- #19. To provide greater flexibility for school districts’ needs.
- #20. School start date.
- #21. Acceptable PPEL expenditures
- #24. Tax increment financing

Motion by Kecia Hickman and seconded by Glen Goedken to approve the five IASB 2014 Legislative Action Priorities. Roll Call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATIONS – none.

B. RESIGNATIONS – Dolly Jiskoot, MS instructional associate and Maggie Lloyd, HS instructional associate. Motion by Susan Rensink and seconded by Glen Goedken to approve these resignations. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

C. CONTRACTS

<u>First</u>	<u>Last</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Tyler	Lloyd	Assistant HS football coach	\$3,288
James	Fitzgerald	MS boys basketball coach	\$2,203
Jerod	Reinking	9 th boys basketball coach	\$2,696
Elise	Drenkow	Special education associate (2 hrs/day)	\$9.00 / hour

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

D. APPROVE VOLUNTEER COACHES – The following individuals have offered to serve as volunteer coaches: Leon Kleinwolterink, HS football; Steve DeKok, HS marching band. Motion by Susan Rensink and seconded by Glen Goedken to approve volunteer coaches. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

E. DESIGNATE SCHOOL DISTRICT TEST COORDINATOR –Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Susan Rensink to approve Superintendent Robin Spears as district test coordinator. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

F. AUTHORIZE NWAEA TRANSPORTATION REQUEST – Included in the Board packet was a copy of the letter to NWAEA requesting permission to travel into contiguous districts for the purpose of safety and/or the reduction of riding time. Motion by Susan Rensink to approve the request to NWAEA and seconded by Kecia Hickman. Roll Call vote: Glen Goedken, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

G & H. EXCHANGE SERVER PURCHASE and HS WIRELESS NETWORK UPGRADE -- Included in the Board packet was documentation regarding the estimated cost of replacing the exchange server at \$17,013 from R & D Industries, as well as \$20,755.43 to upgrade the wireless network at the high school. Motion by Kecia Hickman and seconded by Susan Rensink to approve the purchase of the exchange server and upgrade the HS wireless network. Roll Call vote: Glen Goedken, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

I. EARLY GRADUATION REQUEST -- Motion by Susan Rensink and seconded by Glen Goedken to approve the request for early graduation from Kelsey Kokenge. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

J. SET DATE FOR BOARD/ADMINISTRATIVE WORK SESSION– Board members agreed to set Thursday, August 1, 6:00 PM, as the work session for the Board and administration to discuss long-range technology planning for the district.

K. BOARD POLICY REVIEW / APPROVAL – Included in the Board packet were copies of Board Policy 401.1 Equal Employment Opportunity and Board Policy 905.2 Tobacco/Nicotine-Free School Environment. Both policies reflect new state and/or federal guidelines. Motion by Susan Rensink and seconded by Glen Goedken to approve the board policies as presented. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS –

- A. IASB Fiscal Management Conference, July 17, 2013, Altoona
- B. IASB Annual School Board Convention: November 20-21, 2013.

X. ADJOURN

At 7:54 PM, Motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Kecia Hickman to adjourn. Roll call vote: Susan Rensink, Aye; Kecia Hickman, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye. Motion carried.

Pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1i) for the purpose of the evaluation of superintendent, motion by Glen Goedken and seconded by Susan Rensink to enter executive session at 8:05 PM. Roll Call vote: Kecia Hickman, Aye; Susan Rensink, Aye; Glen Goedken, Aye; Gary Ihnen, Aye.

Returned to open session at 9:27 PM and adjourned.