

Stephen/Argyle Central #2856

Board Meeting Minutes

October 18th, 2017

The regular October School Board meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Gail Yutrzenka at 6:30 a.m. on October 18th, 2017 in the Stephen Superintendent's office. The School Board members present for the meeting were Cara Hendrickson, Dustin Grabowska, Gail Yutrzenka, Shawn Rominski, Betsy Jensen, and Mason Sundby. School Board member absent was Steve McGlynn. Others present at the meeting were Ethan Marquis, Kevin Kuznia, Tammi Anderson, Shawna Peterson and Superintendent Chris Mills.

A motion was made by Betsy Jensen and seconded by Cara Hendrickson to approve the agenda as presented. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Cara Hendrickson and seconded by Shawn Rominski to approve the September 18th regular School Board meeting minutes as presented. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Cara Hendrickson and seconded by Dustin Grabowska to approve the September bills as presented. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Dustin Grabowska and seconded by Shawn Rominski to approve the Treasurers report as presented. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Administrative reports:

Mr. Mills provided information on the following activities at SAC Elementary:

- 21st Century Homework program – Great attendance to program
 - National Lights on Activity – October 26th trip to Godell Library
 - Chili Cook-off/Parent Education Activity – November 20th
- Fire Prevention Activities – October 13th
 - Thank you to volunteers from the Argyle and Stephen Fire Departments for their time in educating our elementary students.
- Reading Buddies Program – Retired community members reading with our K-1 students
- Hearing and Vision Screening – 10/11
- Motivational speaker at WAO 11/6 – Tom Cody
- Envision Math Live Webinar – 11/6
- Parent/Student/Teacher conferences – 11/7-9
- Veteran's Day program – 11/10 10:30 a.m.
- Nurse Julie – Training staff

Mr. Kuznia presented information on the following activities at SAC Secondary:

- End of the 1st Quarter on 11/3
 - Quarter Testing/Grading breakdown review for red flags
- Parent/Student/Teacher conferences – November 7th and 8th
- Senior Class Trip Update – Fundraising

- Past and Upcoming Events:
 - October 9-13 – College/Career Expo in Grafton
 - Artist visit with student 10/18/17
 - Senior Girls supporting Fire Prevention with Pre-School
- Athletic Update:
 - CC: Park Rapids meet 10/18, Section 8A meet @ Bagley 10/27 4 p.m.
 - FB: Section 10/24 H vs LOW 6 p.m., 10/28 H 2:00 p.m., 11/2 @ Fargodome 3:00 p.m.
 - VB: Section 10/26 H 7 p.m., 10/27 NCTC 7:30 p.m., 10/31 Bagley, 11/3 UMC
 - GBB: Practice begins 11/13
 - BBB: Practice begins 11/20
- 21st Century Grant Program – Before and After School Homework programs
- School Law Seminar:
 - Teacher Retirement – TRA Funding, National Anthem, Coaching Evaluation, Hazing/Long-standing Traditions, and Transgender

Mr. Marquis provided update on technology activities at SAC:

- Fall Testing session at complete at both sites
- JMC Student Data – Large increase of student and parent access
- Equipment – Projector problems, power failures, printer additions and problems, iPad concerns, YET addition, SMART Notebook 17.1, and SAC Drone
- Misc. Items: e-mail activity, Insite FB Alert System sample, Battery Backup solution, Projector solution, and Drone demonstration

A motion was made by Shawn Rominski and seconded by Cara Hendrickson to approve the 2017-18 Seniority list as presented. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A second review of the following policies updated by the 2017 Minnesota Legislature and the Minnesota School Board Association.

- Policy 534 Unpaid Meal Charges
- Policy 620 Credit for Learning
- Policy 903 Visitors to School District Buildings and Sites

A motion was made by Betsy Jensen and seconded by Shawn Rominski to approve the Area Special Education Cooperative Resolution of participation and cooperation 2017-18. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Mason Sundby and seconded by Dustin Grabowska to approve the resolution of nomination of Shawn Rominski, Northwest Service Cooperative Board for a four-year term beginning January 1st, 2018. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Shawn Rominski and seconded by Cara Hendrickson to approve the resolution Designating of Identified Official with Authority for the MDE External User Access Recertification System – Chris Mills and Kevin Kuznia. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Items:

- The next regular School Board meeting will be held on Monday, November 20th at 8:00 p.m. in the Argyle Superintendent's office.
- Minnesota Rural Education Association Fall conference will be held

November 12th-14th

- Minnesota School Board Association Winter conference will be held

January 10th-12th

- Enrollment Update – The current K-12 enrollment is 298 students and the Pre-School enrollment is 22 students.

- Q-Comp program is continuing to drive our staff development and school culture activities. Updated goals and planning for Fall Parent/Student/Teacher conferences is ongoing.

- Parent/Student/Teacher conferences will be held on November 7th-9th.

- A review of the updated statement of fund balances is reviewed for 2016-17 as provided by Brady, Martz – The review indicates that in 2016-17 the revenues were 5,041,225 and the expenditures were 5,281,965.

- A review of the regional meetings on the Embridge Line 3 replacement information.

- Bremer – A review of public money market account was completed. We will review accounts on monthly basis to ensure maximizing the available interest rates.

- We are currently reviewing the exterior lock system for an update to control after hours access.

- Compensatory review FY 19 – We have increased our review by +\$4,500 and the overall school district Free & Reduced % is 37.5%. This is extremely important to qualify for grants.

- 21st Century Community Learners Grant – We are currently working to implement programs at both sites. The Homework support programs are running at both sites currently serving 12-25 students daily at each site.

- A review of proposed building project was completed – The current proposal will address the replacement of roof and windows at the Argyle and Stephen sites. Piping replacement and HVAC replacement at both sites.

- A review of Adult Community Education improvements headed by Alyssa Tulibaski – Opportunities will be advertised in the near future on school website, facebook, and Messenger.

- Community Education Programs

- Flag Football – 31 3-6 participants
- Elementary Volleyball – 35 3-6 participants
- 55 Alive Course will be offered in the upcoming in November

The meeting was closed at 7:28 a.m. to review personnel issues.

The meeting was opened at 7:32 a.m.

A review of good things about our school and communities was communicated. Members shared great things about school athletic programs, volunteers in Argyle and Stephen completing community activities including Fire Prevention activities at the elementary school.

A motion was made by Betsy Jensen and seconded by Shawn Rominski to adjourn at 7:38 a.m. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cara Hendrickson
ISD #2856 Clerk

