

# Stephen/Argyle Central #2856

## Board Meeting Minutes

### March 20, 2017

The regular March School Board meeting was called to order by Chair Steve McGlynn at 8:00 p.m. on March 20th, 2017 in the Argyle Superintendent's office. The School Board members present for the meeting were Steve McGlynn, Cara Hendrickson, Dustin Grabowska, Gail Yutrzenka, Betsy Jensen, and Mason Sundby. School Board member absent was Shawn Rominski. Others present at the meeting were Ethan Marquis, Tammi Anderson, Jill Adolphson, and Superintendent Chris Mills.

A motion was made by Gail Yutrzenka 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 Gail Yutrzenka and seconded by Cara Hendrickson to approve the February 15th regular School Board meeting minutes as presented. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

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

A motion was made by Cara Hendrickson and seconded by Mason Sundby 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:

- Read Across America 3/3/17 – SAC students set a new school record by taking 632 accelerated reading tests in one day.
- Drills – lockdown, fire drills, and evacuation
- I Love to Read Month – The theme in March is March Madness
- Spring testing schedules – NWEA, MCA
- Principal Party – 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter “Northern Air” – All grades 3-6 that meet their AR goals in math and reading. In addition, meet all behavior expectations of SAC Elementary.
- School Musical performance for K-6 students will be Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00 p.m. in the Stephen Old Gym.
- Artist in Residence – Tuesday, March 21<sup>st</sup> K-2 students – Elwyn Ruud

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

- Recent and upcoming events:
  - 3/21 School Musical for SAC Elementary students and staff
  - 3/21 Instrumental Ensembles @ SAC
  - 3/21 Impact 20/20 Presentation for Juniors/Seniors
  - 3/22 JH Band performance/competition Roseau
  - 3/22 Vocal Ensembles @ EGF for senior group
  - 3/24 End of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter
  - 3/25 Triple A banquet in Minneapolis (Isaac Mills representing Region 8)
  - 3/27 Staff In-service – No school for students
  - 3/29 Staff In-service – Early-out/Q-Comp
  - 3/31 JH Honor band @ Mahnomen
  - 4/7 Spring picture day (Senior Cap and Gown, Spring Sports, etc.)

- 4/14 and 17 – No School Easter Break
- April – Artist in Residency: Photography and Theater & Science
- Senior Class Trip – March 27<sup>th</sup>-April 5<sup>th</sup>
  - 6:00 a.m. doors open – Interquest will be on site to assist with bag checks.
  - Final bills for students settled up Tuesday/Wednesday
- Student Pre-registration to begin next week:
  - Class of 2018 has completed 1 round of registration, including online CIHS
  - Class of 2019 working on 1<sup>st</sup> draft
- Activities Update:
  - Softball – 22 participants (11 SAC)
  - Baseball – 23 participants (11 SAC)
  - Track & Field – 63 participants and 1 manager (35 girls, 28 boys)
  - Golf – sign up beginning
  - School Musical – Cast list included and posted – Performances 3/24 & 25 7:30 p.m. – Performance 3/26 2:00 p.m.
  - Trap team – 20+ participants have registered
- Mr. Kuznia shared information about comments and messages shared about SAC students & athletes during the recent tournament participation. The positive feedback regarding our students actions was amazing. We have fantastic kids and we should celebrate their success as young women and men.

Mr. Marquis presented information about technology usage and support for SAC:

- Data Security – 85% on active back-up, monthly check routine, and secure data back-up
- SAC Facilities & Equipment – Computer racks upgrades and repair, SAC laptops check + Threadlock + clean, Stephen site updates(Find My Mac), and iPad repair kit
- Student Assessments – Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments are open and active – MTAS complete
- Student/Staff activity – HS 3D Printer + Software (Design)
- SAC Equipment – MARCO installation and training on new copier 3/27
- Spring Testing season – MCA's, NWEA's, ACT Aspire – Schedules pending

A motion was made by Gail Yutrzenka and seconded by Cara Hendrickson to approve the 2017-2018 school calendar as presented. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Mason Sundby and seconded by Betsy Jensen to approve the Resolution for Discontinuing and Reducing Educational Program and Positions. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Cara Hendrickson and seconded by Betsy Jensen to approve the hiring of Kallie Lubarski, Kindergarten Instructor, effective 8-28-17. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Dustin Grabowska and seconded by Cara Hendrickson to approve the hiring of Betsy Sorenson, Elementary Instructor, effective 8-27-17. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Gail Yutrzenka and seconded by Mason Sundby to approve the hiring of Kari Rivard, Pre-School Instructor, effective 8-27-17. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Cara Hendrickson and seconded by Steve McGlynn to approve the Resolution Proposing the Placement of James Parker on Unrequested Leave of Absence effective June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Items:

- The next regular School Board meeting will be held on April 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 a.m. in the Stephen Superintendent's office.

- Pathway II scholarships for FY 18 & 19 have been approved by the Minnesota Department of Education for sponsorship of students in the Learning Readiness program. The scholarships are based on need and the free/reduced guidelines will be used to determine eligibility.

- A copy of the School Board regular meeting calendar was included in materials.

- A legislative session was reviewed – The following main points were reviewed:

- Gov. Budget recommendations were reviewed to identify priorities

- 2% on foundation budget

- Early Childhood Funding

- TRA Funding

- Teacher Shortage

- A draft budget was reviewed for 2017-2018 – The budget is based on 290 K-12 students

- The current K-12 enrollment is 290 students – Pre-School enrollment is 27 students

- A review of positive strategic goals for the school district – A plan will be developed about identifying positive goals and strategies for the future of the school district.

- Meet and Confer will be held at the end of May between School Board and Teachers

- Congratulations to the Learning Readiness staff on Parent Aware 4 Start rating

- 55 Alive Course will be offered April 12<sup>th</sup> at the Stephen Community Center

- Certified staff negotiations will begin in April. These negotiations will be to settle a Master Agreement for 2017-2019.

- A grant has been accepted from the NW MN Arts Council for Summer Arts Safari 2017

- \$2,500

- A grant has been submitted to the America's Farmers GROW Rural Education – Monsanto Grant – Anyone can support the grant application by accessing Monsanto Grants online

- A review of the school social worker position and partnership with NW Mental Health was reviewed for 2016-17 & a review of plans for 2017-18.

- Northstar program will be provided in Warren this summer – This is a regional partnership with NW Mental Health

- Envision Math 2.0 – The K-5 Elementary math curriculum will be updated in 2017-18. A recommendation for purchase will be made at the regular April School Board meeting.

- Bus Drivers – School Board members were asked to provide bus driver recommendations. Individuals interested in bus driving should contact Mark Hendrickson – 218-478-3315 – Training, testing, and support will be provided by the school district

- A review of bus purchase recommendation was completed on a Gas and Diesel bus – A recommendation will be made at the regular April School Board meeting.

- A review of a proposal for repair of the Argyle heating piping system in the south addition of the building. The timeline and budget of the current proposal is not feasible. The repair of the piping will take place in the spring and summer of 2018.

- “Seussical the Musical” will be performed March 23<sup>rd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> – Mrs. Radeke and Mrs. Dalager will be leading the Storm Artists

- A review of State Aid payment schedule was completed

- Youth summer employment applications will be accepted until 3/24

A motion was made by Gail Yutrzenka and seconded by Cara Hendrickson to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 p.m. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cara Hendrickson  
ISD #2856 Clerk