

Stephen/Argyle Central #2856

Board Meeting Minutes

April 23rd, 2007

The regular April School Board meeting was called to order by Chair Larry Dziengel at 8:00 p.m. on April 23rd, 2007 in the Argyle Superintendent's office. The School Board members present for the meeting were Chris Urbaniak, Jim Klitzke, Gail Yutrzenka, Betsy Jensen, Jeff Chwialkowski, Cara Hendrickson, and Larry Dziengel. Others present at the meeting were Sheree Setterholm, Kevin Kuznia, Mark Kroulik, and Chris Mills.

A motion was made by Jim Klitzke and seconded by Chris Urbaniak 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 Jeff Chwialkowski to approve the March 19th, 2007 regular meeting minutes. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

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

A motion was made by Jeff Chwialkowski and seconded by Betsy Jensen to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Administrative Reports:

Mr. Mills presented information on the following SAC Elementary activities:

- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) Fair will be held on May 8th at 2:00 p.m.
 - Destination Imagination – State participation
 - Review of 07-08 requisitions
 - Testing – NWEA/MCA II
 - End of school year activities
 - 3rd Quarter Honor Roll
 - Mid-term – week of April 23rd

Mr. Kroulik presented information on the following SAC Junior and Senior High activities.

- Preliminary registration numbers for 2007-2008 / Grades 10-12
 - Class trip report
 - MCA – II Testing
 - BST Written Composition test – 100% 10th grade students passed
 - MSHSL Art contest – State Superior rating – 3 students
 - MSHSL Instrumental Ensembles contest – State Superior rating – 5 state stars
 - School Musical – “A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum”
April 26-28 – 20 students participating
 - Mid-term academic reports will be mailed this week
 - Valedictorian and Salutatorian student identification
 - Prom – Chaperones – Greg and Sheryl Lubarski and Mike and Cheri Douglas
- Mr. Clausen and Mrs. Adolphson – Thanks for all of the help!!!
- Awards Day: Friday, May 11th starting at 8:30 am and continuing to completion

- Envirothon – Mr. Kotts

Mr. Kuznia presented information on the following SAC activities:

- Participation numbers for all 7-12 activities for the 06-07 school year
- Spring sports schedules and participation numbers
- Schedule for 07-08 activities
- Posting of coaching positions
- Sports Boosters proposal for the construction of bathrooms at football field

A motion was made by Gail Yutrzenka and seconded by Jim Klitzke to approve the following policies as presented:

- Policy 211 Criminal or Civil Action Against School District, School Board Member, Employee, or Student
- Policy 407 Employee Right to Know – Exposure to Hazardous Substances
- Policy 412 Expense Reimbursement
- Policy 414 Mandated Reporting of Child Neglect or Physical or Sexual Abuse
- Policy 509 Enrollment of Nonresident Students
- Policy 524 Internet Acceptable Use and Safety
- Policy 529 Staff Notification of Violent Behavior by Students
- Policy 532 Use of Peace Officer and Crisis Team to Remove Students with IEPs from School Grounds
- Policy 613 Graduation Requirements
- Policy 615 Basic Standards Testing, Accommodations, Modifications, and Exemptions for IEP, Section 504 Accommodation, and LEP Students
- Policy 618 Assessment of Student Achievement
- Policy 624 On-Line Learning Options
- Policy 701 Establishment and Adoption of School District Budget
- Policy 702 Accounting
- Policy 801 Equal Access to School Facilities
- Policy 906 Community Notification of Predatory Offenders

All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Chris Urbaniak and seconded by Cara Hendrickson to approve the 2007-2008 contract with Jodi Tescher, school social worker. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Jim Klitzke and seconded by Chris Urbaniak to approve the placement of Nichole Groven, Elementary Instructor, on Unrequested Leave effective 6-30-07. 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 placement of Jane Jensen, Elementary Instructor, on Unrequested Leave effective 6-30-07. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Cara Hendrickson and seconded by Jim Klitzke to approve the placement of Karen Evans, Elementary Instructor, on Unrequested Leave effective 6-30-07. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Chris Urbaniak and seconded by Jeff Chwialkowski to approve the proposed

placement of Janelle Swanson, Business Instructor, on Unrequested Leave effective 6-30-07. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Cara Hendrickson and seconded by Jim Klitzke to approve the placement of Shawna Peterson, Family Consumer Science and Health Instructor on Unrequested Leave effective 6-30-07. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Gail Yutrzenka and seconded by Jeff Chwialkowski to approve the School Nurse contract with Dee Dee McFarland for the 2007-2008 school year. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Jeff Chwialkowski and seconded by Jim Klitzke to approve the water heater replacement project at the Argyle site with Terry's Plumbing and Heating and Labine Electric for \$18,569. 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 Skinner Roofing bid for repairs at the Argyle site of \$7,200. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Betsy Jensen and seconded by Cara Hendrickson to approve the 2007-2011 Technology plan as presented. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Chris Urbaniak and seconded by Jeff Chwialkowski to approve the Resolution of Membership with the Minnesota High School League for 2007-2008. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A review of estimate budgets for Learning Readiness program and Community Education. The primary focus of the budget review was to review the option of extending the Learning Readiness program to two full days for two sections next year. This change would allow class size reduction without losing hours of service. The current program requires an investment of about \$10,000 per year from the general fund. The change in the Pre-School program would require an additional investment of an estimated \$5,000 in the 07-08 school year. There are some savings in program costs by reducing noon transportation.

The Learning Readiness program plan was tabled until the May regular School Board meeting to allow for final registration of students for the program. Registration will be scheduled for May 1st.

A motion was made by Jim Klitzke and seconded by Chris Urbaniak to accept the letter of resignation/retirement from William Field, English Instructor for 34 years. All School Board members voted in favor of the motion with regret and appreciation for Mr. Field's dedication and service to the students and families of the communities of Stephen and Argyle.

Superintendent Items:

- The next regular School Board meeting will be held on Monday, May 21st at 8:00 p.m. in the Stephen Superintendent's office.
- Two hand-outs were provided the Minnesota School Boards Association and the Minnesota Rural Education Association detailing the progress from the House and the Senate in regards to E-12 public education funding.
 - A list of facility projects was reviewed for summer and 07-08 completion.
 - A review of the current testing schedule for NWEA and MCA-II was completed.
 - A handout of the "Jump Start Summer School" program was reviewed. Referrals for the program are currently being accepted from classroom staff.
 - A Health Insurance meeting will be held by the Northwest Service Cooperative on Tuesday, April 24th – The projected increase for our School District is 5.5% for 2007-2008.
 - We are currently managing the Emergency Response and Crisis Management grant for 20 school districts. The grant is in full implementation and will run through the 07-08 school year.
 - The Safe Schools/Healthy Students grant will conclude a four-year implementation cycle on 7-31-

07.

- Graduation will be held on Sunday, May 20th at 2:00 p.m. in Kimball Gymnasium

There were no personnel issues to discuss

The meeting was closed at 9:30 p.m. to discuss certified staff negotiations.

The meeting was opened at 9:40 p.m.

A motion was made by Chris Urbaniak and seconded by Gail Yutrzenka to adjourn the meeting at 9:42 p.m. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Yutrzenka
ISD #2856 Clerk