

Stephen/Argyle Central #2856

Board Meeting Minutes

November 19th, 2007

The regular November School Board meeting was called to order by Chair Larry Dziengel at 8:00 p.m. on November 19th, 2007 in the Stephen Superintendent's office. The School Board members present for the meeting were Chris Urbaniak, Gail Yutrzenka, Betsy Jensen, Cara Hendrickson, Jim Klitzke, Jeff Chwialkowski, and Larry Dziengel. Others present at the meeting were Tim Paulson, Renee Jensen, Kevin Kuznia, Chris Mills and Mark Kroulik.

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

A motion was made by Jim Klitzke and seconded by Jeff Chwialkowski to approve the October 22nd, 2007 regular meeting minutes. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Gail Yutrzenka and seconded by Chris Urbaniak to approve the October bills as presented. 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 Treasurer's report as presented. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Administrative Reports:

Mr. Mills presented information on activities in the elementary:

- Fall Conferences are being held on Tuesday, November 13th and November 20th – We will be looking at different options for the spring conference scheduling for grades 4-6.
- First Quarter Honor Roll program – Tuesday, November 20th 10:30 am
- Veteran's Day program – Friday, November 9th 10:30 a.m.
- Christmas concert – K-4 Thursday, December 6th
- Review of Reading series
- Math standards

Mr. Kroulik presented information on activities in the secondary:

- First Quarter attendance
- Band and anthem singers – performances
- Contests – Solos and Ensembles
- Football – Prep Bowl
- Girl's Basketball
- Conferences
- Student Council activities
- Career Counseling – Mrs. Adolphson
- Carl Perkins and Tech Prep programs
- Senior Class trip
- Eligibility – Athletics

Mr. Kuznia presented information on activities and athletics:

- State Football
- Winter Athletics
- Elementary Basketball

A review of the school district crisis plan was completed. The plan will be reviewed and presented for action at the December regular School Board meeting.

A motion was made by Jeff Chwialkowski and seconded by Gail Yutrzenka to approve the membership with the Area Special Education Cooperative. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Jim Klitzke and seconded by Betsy Jensen to approve the increase in time for Alana Kuznia, speech, from .70 FTE to .80 FTE. 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 resolution requesting funds from the Minnesota State High School League Foundation. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Betsy Jensen and seconded by Gail Yutrzenka to accept the resignation of Patti Fayette, cleaner, Argyle site. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Gail Yutrzenka and seconded by Jim Klitzke to approve the hiring of Robert Szklarski, cleaner, Argyle site. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Cara Hendrickson and seconded by Jeff Chwialkowski to approve the hiring of Brandi Safranski, Para Professional, Argyle site. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Items:

- The next regular School Board meeting will be held on Monday, December 17th at 8:00 p.m. at the Argyle Superintendent's office.
- A Truth in Taxation meeting will be held on Monday, December 17th at 7:00 p.m. at 7:00 in the Argyle Superintendent's office.
- The final audit will be completed and presented at the December regular School Board meeting. Mr. Lunde, Brady Martz, will be present to provide a review of the audit.
- A resolution is being processed to meet the new 403B law requirements. A recent change in law has provided the need for this change.
- A discussion was held regarding the opportunity to start a cooperative for spring sports to include track, baseball, and softball. Discussions are being held with Warren-Alvarado-Oslo and Northern Freeze for options with these activities.
- The current K-12 enrollment is 340 students. The pre-school enrollment is 30 students.
- The Emergency Response Crisis Management grant continue to progress. Mr. Mills and Mrs. Borowicz are in charge of the grant. Mr. Mills serves as the project coordinator and Mrs. Borowicz serve as the financial support. Stephen/Argyle Central is serving as the fiscal host for the grant that is serving 20 school districts in the area.
- A meeting was held with Rich Houge of the Northwest Minnesota Foundation to discuss option of working with NW Foundation on scholarship funds and community development funds. They provide a service of fund management and promotion.
- Approval was given for a renovation of the Argyle office space.
- A discussion was completed regarding the school calendar.
- A discussion was had regarding technology integration in the elementary curriculum. A review of

current technology curriculum, time, training, equipment, and resources was provided. School Board members affirmed a commitment to integration of our current and future tech resources. A review of progress will be provided at the regular January meeting.

A motion was made by Chris Urbaniak and seconded by Gail Yutrzenka to adjourn the meeting at 9:57 p.m. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Yutrzenka
ISD #2856 Clerk