

Stephen/Argyle Central #2856

Board Meeting Minutes

May 21st, 2007

The regular May School Board meeting was called to order by Chair Larry Dziengel at 8:00 p.m. on May 21st, 2007 in the Stephen 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 Kevin Kuznia, Mark Kroulik, and Chris Mills.

A motion was made by Chris Urbaniak 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 Jeff Chwialkowski and seconded by Gail Yutrzenka to approve the April 23rd, 2007 regular meeting minutes. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

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

Administrative Reports:

Mr. Mills provided a report on the following elementary activities:

- Tooth Pick Bridges
- NWEA and MCA-II Tests
- K-2 Picnic/3-6 Water park
- Awards Day – 5/25
- Title I Program
- 6th grade transition
- Lock Down/Evacuation Drills
- Science Fair

Mr. Kroulik presented information on the following junior and senior high activities:

- Graduation
- Requisitions – Textbook series
- Awards Day
- School Musical
- Choir/Band Performances
- Lock Down Drills

Mr. Kuznia presented information on the following activities:

- Sub-Section Golf – TRF May 21st
- Sub-Section Track – Warren May 23rd
- Section Track – Ada
- Open Gym – June 4th
- Coaching Openings – JH Volleyball and JH Basketball
- Ballet Recital – 5/31
- Elementary Basketball Camp – 6/18-20
- Booster Club Activities

A motion was made by Jim Klitzke and seconded by Gail Yutrzenka 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 Chris Urbaniak and seconded by Cara Hendrickson 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 Cara Hendrickson and seconded by Betsy Jensen to approve the 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 Chris Urbaniak 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.

Superintendent Mills completed a review of the 2007-2008 Learning Readiness program proposal, enrollment, and budget.

A motion was made by Jeff Chwialkowski and seconded by Betsy Jensen to approve the proposed budget and program for Learning Readiness for 2007-2008. 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 unpaid leave of absence for Deb Kraska through 6-30-07. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Gail Yutrzenka and seconded by Betsy Jensen to approve the elementary and secondary requisitions as presented. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Items:

- The next regular School Board meeting will be held on Monday, June 18th at 8:00 p.m. in the Argyle Superintendent's office.

- A legislative report was given with regards to materials from the Minnesota Rural Education Association and Minnesota School Boards Association.

- Stephen/Argyle Central has been selected to participate in the Minnesota Rural Leadership Program sponsored by Minnesota Rural Education Association, Minnesota Superintendent's Association, and Blandin Foundation. A leadership team will participate in training throughout the year to develop skills within our communities.

- The elementary summer school program will operate July 30-August 10th. We are currently working on recommendations and parent approval of students attending the program.

- The current enrollment is at 364 students. This is an increase from the in the spring. Currently, 355 students is the projection for the 2007-2008 school year.

- There will be several staff development opportunities in the area of technology during the summer and staff workshops in August. A list of these opportunities was presented.

- A review was held of current custodial and cleaning personnel and positions to clarify responsibilities, hiring possibilities, and status.

An update was given on certified staff negotiations. One meeting has been held to discuss language issues. Certified staff is currently generating a proposal. A second meeting will be held in the coming weeks to review the proposal from certified staff.

The meeting was closed at 9:27 p.m. for negotiations.

The meeting was opened at 9:49 p.m.

A motion was made by Chris Urbaniak and seconded by Gail Yutrzenka to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 p.m. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Yutrzenka
ISD #2856 Clerk