

Stephen/Argyle Central #2856

Board Meeting Minutes

May 21st, 2014

The regular May School Board meeting was called to order by Chair Jeff Chwialkowski at 6:32 a.m. on May 21st, 2014 in the Argyle Superintendent's office. The School Board members present for the meeting were Jeff Chwialkowski, Betsy Jensen, Gail Yutrzenka, Tony Safranski, Cara Hendrickson, and Shawn Rominski. School Board member absent Steve McGlynn. Others present at the meeting were Ethan Marquis, Kevin Kuznia, Nathan Dalager, James Parker, Jane Jensen, Mark Kroulik and Superintendent Chris Mills.

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

A motion was made by Betsy Jensen and seconded by Shawn Rominski to approve the April 23rd regular School Board meeting minutes as presented. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Tony Safranski and seconded by Gail Yutrzenka to approve the May 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 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:

- "Jump Rope for Heart" – Raised over \$12,000 – Mr. Groven
- Track & Field Day in Warren grades 3-6
- MCA Reading/Math/Science Testing – Grade 3-6
- NWEA Testing – Grades K-6
- Toothpick Bridges – Monday, May 19th
- Awards Day – Thursday, May 22nd
- End of Year Activities
 - Grades 3-6 Water Park
 - Grades K-2 – EGF Park/Movie
- 3rd Grade Plant sales
- K-2 Square Dancing
- Evacuation/Fire/Tornado/Lock Down Drills

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

- Graduation week: Ceremony 2:00 p.m. at Kimball Auditorium 5/24
- Girls Self-Defense class – Officer Rominski
- Review of JH/HS requisitions
- Review of MCA test results in Grades 3-High School
- Activity afternoon on May 23rd – Student Council organizing 12:15 to 3:10
- Workshop week schedules
- Summer Science camp
- Spring Social – May 30th

Mr. Kuznia provided information on SAC activities/athletics:

- Spring Activities Play-off/Tournament Schedule
 - Golf(boys and girls)
 - Sub-sections: 5/20th in Roseau (Fusion girls 2nd and advanced, Fusion boys 3rd) Lance Yutzenka advances, Sections: 5/27th at Bemidji, State: June 10th-11th at Becker
 - Track
 - Sub-section: 5/22 in Warren, Section: May 31st in Walker, State: June 6&7 @ Hamline University
 - Baseball
 - Sub-section: May29th and May 30th @ High Seed, June 3rd @ Park Rapids, Section: June 5th & 6th (Final 8 Teams) site TBD, State: June 12, 13, 14 (Jordan & Chaska)
 - Softball
 - Sub-section: 5/20 @ Warroad (Won 7-6), Sub-sections continue @ TRF 5/22
- Summer 2014
 - Weights will continue as planned: Boys and Girls on M, W, and F
 - Schedules for all summer plans are located on new website:
 - <http://stormsummerathletics.weebly.com/>
- Booster Club
 - Year End June 30th
 - Covering Boys' State True Team Trip and Section Golf (1/2 covered by WAO)
 - June 23rd Jerry-sota Day in Argyle
- Year-end Wrap-up
 - Cheerleading coach and team (Fall not included in the 2 activity option for seniors)
 - Hosting first cross country meet this fall
 - One day self-defense training for senior girls (Officer Rominski)

Mr. Marquis provided an update on district technology:

- Spring Testing
 - MCA: HS & Elementary
 - NWEA: Elementary
- Technology Projects – Mr. Groven 6th Grade video
- Summer work preparations – Staff needs and purchasing plans
- Upcoming events:
 - Staff polling – Technology Committee meeting
 - Summer work schedule
 - Summer workshops/trainings

A motion was made by Tony Safranski and seconded by Shawn Rominski to approve the hiring of Renae Lindgren, Part-Time Elementary Instructor 80%, for the 2014-15 school year. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Betsy Jensen and seconded by Gail Yutzenka to approve the elementary and secondary requisitions as presented. 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 contract with NWSC for Environmental/Occupational Health and Safety Management services for 2014-2017 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 Wednesday, June 25th at 8:00 p.m. in the Stephen Superintendent's office.
- Legislative update: Reviewed issues with school lunch/Kindergarten breakfast, Increase in foundation aid for 2014-15, Safe and Supportive Schools act, Personal Learning Plans – WBWF, and Teacher Evaluation funding.
- Pre-School program planning for 2014-15 is a 2-day a week program serving 21-22 students.
- Health Insurance renewal for employees participating in the school district insurance plan is 10.3% increase in 2014-15.
- A review of two proposals for Support staff compensation for 2014-2016 was completed. A recommendation will be made at June regular School Board meeting.
- At this time we are projecting the need for 3 additional para-professionals for 2014-15. Student enrollment and special education needs will dictate the final needs for personnel.
- School Board committee meetings – A reminder to fill out vouchers for committee meetings in 2013-14 school year.
- Staff workshops will be held on May 27-29th.
- MPCA Recycling grant – We have been awarded 10 recycling containers. We will pick them up in St. Paul in the next month.
- “Project Playground” update – The playground is in the process of being installed – Donations are coming in to support the installation of the playground. Thank you to the City of Stephen and Mark Hendrickson for all of their work in the project. We hope to have the installation of the playground completed by Thursday, May 22nd.
- The weight room project equipment has been delivered and installed. The equipment is still being moved between sites to set-up for summer weight room activities.
- Donations that have been received for “Project Playground”, weight room equipment, and Sports Boosters will be officially recognized and accepted at the June regular School Board meeting.
- A review of the job description for Transportation Supervisor was completed.
- Meet & Confer meeting will be held at 7:00 a.m. in the Argyle Superintendent's office
- A copy of the 2014-15 budget was presented for review. The budget will be officially approved at the regular June School Board meeting.
- Graduation of the Class of 2014 will be held on Saturday, May 24th at 2:00 p.m. in Kimball Auditorium
- A review and renewal of the 2014-15 renewal of the auto/workman's compensation/property insurance

A motion was Betsy Jensen and seconded by Shawn Rominski to approve the emergency family medical leave for Deanna McFarland through the end of the school year. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Cara Hendrickson and seconded by Tony Safranski to approve the school district vehicle use agreement as presented. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Betsy Jensen and seconded by Gail Yutrzenka to approve the recommendation to rescind all activity/athletic fees for 2014-15. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Shawn Rominski and seconded by Tony Safranski to accept the resignation of Jamie Graff, para-professional, effective 5-23-14. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion of Shawn Rominski and seconded by Gail Yutrzenka to adjourn the School Board meeting at 7:42 a.m. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Yutrzenka
ISD #2856 Clerk