

Stephen/Argyle Central #2856

Board Meeting Minutes

November 18th, 2015

The regular November School Board meeting was called to order by Chair Jeff Chwialkowski at 8:00 p.m. on November 18th, 2015 in the Argyle Superintendent's office. The School Board members present for the meeting were Jeff Chwialkowski, Cara Hendrickson, Steve McGlynn, Gail Yutrzenka, Betsy Jensen, Shawn Rominski and Tony Safranski. Others present at the meeting were Karen Evans, Tyler Malm, Kevin Kuznia, Ethan Marquis, and Superintendent Chris Mills.

A motion was made by Gail Yutrzenka 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 October 21st 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 Shawn Rominski to approve the November bills as presented. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Gail Yutrzenka and seconded by Steve McGlynn 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:

- Ottertail Electric/MN Science Museum Presentation – 11/4
- Staff Workshops – 11/6
 - CPI Training
 - Preparation for P/T conferences
 - End of Quarter activities
- Parent Teacher conferences
 - K-3 100% attendance / 4-6 – 87 conferences held
- First Honor Roll/Students of the Quarter – 11/13
- Principal's Party – 11/13 In-house activities
- Veteran's Day - 11/11 SAC Elementary (Mr. Bullock)
- Climb Theatre – 11/19
- American Education Week – 11/16-11/20
- Thrivent – Staci Winge (Elem. BB Warm-ups)
- Artist in Residency – Kelley Meister
 - 12/8-11
 - 1/23-26
- Book Fair – 12/7-11
- K-4 Holiday concert – 12/10
- Gymnastics – 64 P-4 participants
- Projected Kindergarten Enrollments
 - 15-16 25 students
 - 16-17 19 students

- 17-18 28 students
- 18-19 14 students
- 19-20 20 students
- 20-21 11 students

Mr. Kuznia presented information on activities at SAC JH/SH:

- Parent/Teacher conference report
- Veteran's activities – JH/HS traveled to Argyle for activities/Mr. Bullock
 - Payton Carlson, Olivia Riopelle, and Erin Stienke presented on Boys/Girls State experiences
- CHIS Staff attending training
- Blood Drive 11/18 – Mr. Kotts
- Picture Day for Winter activities – 11/25
- National Honor Society Induction Ceremony – 11/25
- TEAM-Up Leadership Seminar – 10 Sophomores 12/1
- JH Band/Choir concert, 5th&6th Grade Band – 12/7
- K-4 Elementary concert – 12/10
- SH Band/Choir concert – 12/22
- SH Choir performing at Digi-Key
- Senior Class meeting
 - Financial report - \$50,100 funds raised
 - Last fund raiser will be turkey/ham dinner 12/6
 - Trip departure 4/6 return 4/15
- Report on Choir and Band solos – Several State and District awards
- Girl's Basketball participation – 7th-8th 14 participants/2 managers, 9th-12th 18, 1 manager
- Boys Basketball participation – 7th-8th 13 participants/3 managers, 9th-12th 26, 6 managers
- Wrestling – 1 participant from SAC/5 participants from WAO
- 11 BBB/7 GBB/8 Wrestling events before Christmas
- Mr. Kotts and 7 students attending Riverwatch Kick-off
- Robotics – Mr. Paulson
- Mr. Bullock – Knowledge Bowl beginning after the Holiday break
- Minnesota State High School League and Minnesota Football Coaches Association are reviewing 9-man football/largest class of football
- Review of Spring coop for baseball and softball

Mr. Marquis presented information on activities on SAC Technology activities:

- Apple ID shuffle near complete
- Network equipment upgrades
- Modern Day Media/Data Exchange – Athletics, Projects, & Collaborations
 - Google Docs to Google Drive
 - Email limitations are eliminated
 - Reduction in storage needs
- Students and Staff activities
 - Mrs. Chwialkowski – 3rd Grade Tweets
 - Mr. Malm's Digital Art projects – Instruction, Advertising, Marketing, Entertainment, and art
 - Something new and challenging

- JMC – End of quarter and new quarter activities
- Technology training opportunities – TRF – January 18th
- Website management
- SAC Social Media Tools

A motion was made by Betsy Jensen and seconded by Shawn Rominski to table to Purchase of new elementary science curriculum until final review has been completed. 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 Ultima Bank of Minnesota as a school district depository. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Shawn Rominski and seconded by Tony Safranski to approve the leave request of Lisa Larson, 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, December 16th at 8:00 p.m. in the Stephen Superintendent's office.

- Truth in Taxation will be held during the regular December School Board meeting.

- Updated enrollment projections have been provided for planning:

- 15-16 303 K-12 students
- 16-17 297 K-12 students
- 17-18 305 K-12 students
- 18-19 295 K-12 students
- 19-20 286 K-12 students

- We are currently splitting the Kindergarten class. There are 25 students in the class and they are split for their morning core subject areas of reading and math. We will continue to split the section until the semester break and evaluate the class size and student needs.

- A review of Parent/Teacher conferences was completed.

- The Minnesota School Board Association Winter conference will be held on January 13-15 in Minneapolis.

- A review of staff development activities on 11/6 was completed.

- Meet & Confer will be held on Monday, November 23rd at 7:00 a.m. in the Argyle Superintendent's office.

- A review of the Higher Learning Commission information affecting College in the High School programs. The updated information demonstrates that Colleges will be able to apply for a waiver that will give schools until 2022 to comply with the new regulations.

- A review of the special permission licensure information for teachers was provided for all School Board members for review. The information is provided from the Department of Education regarding certified staff licensure.

- RSVP of the Red River Valley – This is a Seniors program that has local Seniors coming in the elementary school to read to our students.

- 2015-2020 draft Strategic Plan document was provided for review – A School Board workshop will be planed for the future to update future goals and action plans.

- The revenue and expenditure budgets have been updated and will be presented at the December regular School Board meeting for approval.

- Marshall County Collaborative will be contributing \$5,000 toward the School Social Worker position in 2015-16. This is reduction of \$2,000 from 2014-15.

- A review of the School District process and practices of dealing with disciplinary issues was completed. The focus of all discipline issues is the safety and security of all of our students. That is the focus of our progressive discipline plan.

- Region 1 Board – Information on serving in the Region I was distributed for review.

- Mr. Hendrickson and Mr. Hoeper have passed their Boiler License tests –

Congratulations!

- A review of CD's and Investment opportunities. We will be working with Ultima Bank on possible investments.

A motion was made by Steve McGlynn and seconded by Shawn Rominski to adjourn the meeting at 9:13 p.m. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Yutrzenka
ISD #2856 Clerk