

Stephen/Argyle Central #2856

Board Meeting Minutes

February 21st, 2018

The regular February School Board meeting was called to order by Steve McGlynn at 7:00 p.m. on February 21st, 2018 in the Stephen Superintendent's office. The School Board members present for the meeting were Dustin Grabowska, Gail Yutrzenka, Cara Hendrickson, Steve McGlynn, Mason Sundby, Betsy Jensen, and Shawn Rominski. Others present at the meeting were Ethan Marquis, Kevin Kuznia, Melanie McGlynn, and Superintendent Chris Mills.

A motion was made by Gail Yutrzenka and seconded by Shawn Rominski 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 Dustin Grabowska to approve January 18th regular School Board minutes. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

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

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

Mr. Mills provide an update on the following activities at SAC Elementary:

- Book Fair report – Mrs. Linda Laudal
- 21st Century Program information – Tamarac activity
- Literacy Night activity – Mrs. Karen Evans, Mrs. Kallie Lubarski, Mrs. Nichole Groven, Mrs. T. Anderson, Mrs. Kelsey Anderson, Mrs. Kari Rivard, and Mrs. Lindgren
- 2nd Quarter Principal Party – EGF Bowling
- 100th Day activities – Elementary
- NWEA Test completion and data review
- MN Science Museum program – K-6
- Spelling Bee – 1/23 – Tessa Durand
- One Act Play Presentation – 1/25
- Young Authors Conference – 3/8 – Grades 5 & 8
- Upcoming Testing – Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments/NWEA April-May
- 3rd Quarter Principal Party – Northern Air

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

- Congratulations to Wyatt Hamre for winning the AAA award for sub-section 32 and Region 8. Also, to Autumn Thompson for representing SAC as female representative.
- Riverwatch – in Grand Forks 2/7 – Mr. Kotts
- Knowledge Bowl – 3 teams competing 2/21

- Midterms reports distributed this week
- Thank you to all staff that made the Veteran's Appreciation Night a success
- Robotics Regional – 3/2-3 in Grant Forks
- Young Author's conference – 3/8
- Artist in Residency – 3/6-9 (Jim Mondloch-water colors and Mica Lee Anders-photography)
- Senior class trip – Itinerary review, parent meeting during P/T conferences
- Online College in the High School update
- Northern Division Principals' meeting update:
 - Snapchat issues – GF Herald online poll showed 89% believe smartphones addiction real problem) Other technology issues?
 - Vape usage is on the rise
 - Building safety and security
 - Trouble finding qualified candidates for teaching positions across the state – (60/20 Rule)
 - Extra-curricular issues for schools and coaches across the state
- Girls' and Boys' Basketball playoffs:
 - Girls: 3/1 @UMC/NCTC (6:00 p.m.), 3/3@REA (noon), 3/6 and 3/9 @ REA
 - Boys: 3/8 @ UMC/NCTC (7:45 p.m.), 3/10@REA (noon), 3/12 and 3/16@REA

Mr. Marquis provided information on technology activities at SAC:

- Facilities and Equipment – LightSpeed Redcat, Argyle site TV event display(Thank you to the Argyle Lions for the TV Donation), Audio Enhancements, battery back-up solution.
- Student Assessments – Elementary NWEA Tests – Winter testing complete
- Student Activities – 100 Days of Fun, Mr. Malm Media Arts SAC Brochures and athletic slideshows, Mr. Kroulik's robot activities, Locker Room – Shop + Media Arts, Mr. Kroulik's FB highlight video
- Upcoming Activities – Artist in Residency – Digital Photography 3/3-6 and MCA/MTAS Testing starts 3/5.

A motion was made by Shawn Rominski and seconded by Mason Sundby to accept the donation made by Wikstrom Telephone Co. Inc. - \$12,543.00. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Gail Yutzenka and seconded by Cara Hendrickson to approve the membership with the Northwest Council of Collaboratives for 2018-19. 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 resolution discontinuing and reducing educational programs and positions. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Dustin Grabowska and seconded by Cara Hendrickson to approve the resolutions of support to fully fund Special Education Services at the State and Federal levels as presented by the Minnesota School Board Association. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Items:

- The next regular School Board meeting will be held on Monday, March 19th at 8:00 p.m. in the Argyle Superintendent's office.

- Legislative update – The MN session has started and the next couple of weeks will dictate the investments in P-12 education for 2018.

- Building project update was provided – Pre-bid meeting will be held on March 7th and the Bid opening will be held on March 13th.

- Minnesota Rural Education Association Board meeting will be held on March 20th-21st in St. Paul

- Enrollment Update – K-12 289 students & 25 Pre-School

- Q-comp/Staff Development update – A update was provided on preparation for Parent-Student-Teacher conferences on March 26th-28th was completed. The next early-out is planned for 2/28.

- Planning is in process for 21st Century Summer School July 23rd-August 10th

- A review of summer employment options was completed – We have several current staff that will be support cleaning staff for the summer.

- School Board Appreciation Week is February 19th-23rd

- A review of the possibility of adding Ag Education to our elective opportunities was completed – We have met with a possible Ag instructor interested in our school district. We will continue the review process.

- Insurance proposal information – We are soliciting quotes for property, auto, and workman's comp insurances for 2018-2021. We have met with 3 companies at this time and have communicated with 5 companies at this time.

- The 19th Annual School Musical– “Into the Woods” will be showing March 22-25. A cast and participant list was distributed.

- A donation was accepted from JK Snow Removal.

- The 21st Century program continues to grow – Students and staff have been working to develop homework program, community activities with the Tamarac, and academic enrichment activities. Staff has worked to make the first reporting deadlines and continues to work with program staff to develop program.

- Bus Driver Appreciation Day is February 28th.

- A review of the “Welcome to Argyle” promotional program. In 2017, 4 homes were purchased, 1 home was built, and 3 new businesses opened that qualified for the program.

- EDRS web system is being updated and will require significant training for staff. The new system will be SEDRA.

- Minnesota Association of School Administrators Day at the Capital will be March 1st – This will be an opportunity to work with Legislators on current education issues.

A motion was made by Gail Yutzenka and seconded by Shawn Rominski to approve leave request of Mike Wysocki as presented. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

The meeting was closed at 8:19 p.m. to review personnel.

The meeting was opened at 8:33 p.m.

Each School Board member was asked to identify something good about our school and communities. Areas that were identified were: Good to Great attitude of Elementary students, Staff support for student fund raising activities – Special recognition to Melody Anderson and Tyler Malm for their work, Seth McGregor teaching area students sign language, Community support for student activities, students

participating in extended activities: robotics, musical, knowledge bowl, ect., Student Council very activities at JH/HS, Blood Drive in Argyle, Security upgrades at school sites noticed by community members as a positive upgrade, and upcoming Sacred Sounds concert.

A motion was made by Shawn Rominski and seconded by Mason Sundby to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 p.m. All School Board members voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cara Hendrickson
ISD #2856 Clerk