

# Stephen/Argyle Central #2856

## Board Meeting Minutes

### April 21st, 2021

The regular April School Board meeting was called to order by Chairperson Steve McGlynn at 6:30 a.m. on April 21st, 2021 in the Stephen Superintendent's office. The School Board members present for the meeting were Steve McGlynn, Katie Adolphson, Rick Kroll, Gail Yutrzenka, and Dustin Grabowska. School Board members absent were Cara Hendrickson, and Shawn Rominski. Others present at the meeting were Ethan Marquis, Kevin Kuznia, Jill Adolphson, Shawna Peterson and Superintendent Chris Mills.

A motion was made by Katie Adolphson and seconded by Rick Kroll to approve the agenda as presented. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Gail Yutrzenka and seconded by Katie Adolphson to approve the regular March 17<sup>th</sup> School Board minutes. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

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

Mr. Kuznia provided updates on the following activities at SAC Secondary:

20-21 ... People, Purpose, and Passion

- Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment (MCA) testing, NWEA testing, and Semester Final tests are all in process.
  - Early-out April 30<sup>th</sup> – Flipped schedule due to spring activities.
  - Student/Parent/Teacher conferences – Awesome job by staff tracking parents and students down to the 100% attendance.
  - Seniors are wrapping up community service hours, scholarship applications, and class trip albums
- Extra/Co-Curricular Updates
- School Musical performances of “Charlie Brown” April 16-18. GREAT JOB by Mrs. Dalager, Mrs. Jensen, and cast & crew.
  - The Robotics Team had an amazing showing last weekend. #4 overall, earned the right to be a captain in the play-offs, and represented Stephen-Argyle Central well.
  - Review of Senior Class Trip 2021
  - We have a few seniors participating in two spring activities.
    - Baseball dates: 4/22 H vs Ada/NCW, 4/23 @ Fosston
    - Golf dates: 4/22 varsity boys at Karlstad and varsity girls at Greenbush
    - Softball dates: 4/22 at Red Lake Falls
    - Track & Field dates: 4/22 varsity at EGF, 4/23 JH at TRF

Storm Foundation updates:

- We have current received contributions of over \$41,000!
- Prom 4/24, Spring Concert 5/13, Award's day 5/14, Baccalaureate 5/26, Graduation 5/29 at 2 p.m. Kimball Auditorium

Mr. Lubarski provide updates on the following activities at SAC Elementary:

- Student/Parent/Teacher conferences on March 30-31 were very successful.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter awards program was held in person for students and parents – Well organized and attended event.
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade toured junior high/high school before the school musical.
- Students in Grades 3-6 attended the school musical – “You're a Good Man – Charlie Brown!”
- Students were able to take field trip to celebrate the school year – River Cinema in EGF hosted our students for the movie – “Raya and the Last Dragon”
- Caufield's Studio has taken class photos and spring activity photos.

- Flag FB, Elementary VB, and Drama Club activities for elementary students will begin the week of April 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Earth Day community clean up on 4/22
- MCA Testing for grades 3-6 in reading and math – Grade 5 will also test in science
- 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center program – Review the year and update on staffing and programming for summer program
- “Workshop” in early part of August
- Classroom location for 21-22

Elementary Upcoming dates – MCA reading week of 4/19, MCA Math week of 4/26, Early-out 4/30, MCA science 5/4, Last day of Pre-School 5/6, Pre-School Graduation 5/7, Burger Night – 5/10, Music Programs 5/18 at 1 p.m. 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade – 2 p.m. 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade, 5/20 K-2 Music Program at 2:00 p.m., and the last day of school will be 5/28.

Mr. Marquis provide updates on technology activities at SAC:

- Facilities and Equipment – Thin on equipment: Returned to students + failed machines
- Student Assessments – 2021 Testing underway – (10.13 update required for testing) – Spring NWEA Assessments on the horizon
- Projects – Audio posting: FB/VB completed, GBB and BBB disks completed and ready to post
- Upcoming activities: Final summer plans: Equipment needs, and plans for 2021, network options, 2021 policy review

A motion was made by Gail Yutrzenka and seconded by Dustin Grabowska to approve the following items as presented:

- Northwest Service Cooperative Health Insurance plan renewal – 5.9% increase for 21-22
- Online College in the High School 21-22 Memorandum of Understanding
- Approve the Jim Burlum Scholarship applications - \$500 scholarship each
  - o Technical – Brayden Nordling, Kaden Mooney, Cara Wick, Brandon Kroll, Emily Gunderson, Andrew Hanson, and Charlee Carivau
  - o Minnesota Honor Society – Holly Jensen, Leah Johnson, Hannah Kasprovicz, James Pederson, and Chloe Solvik

All School Board members in attendance approve the motion.

A motion was made by Rick Kroll and seconded by Dustin Grabowska to approve the Northwest Service Cooperative as the school district health insurance vendor for 2021-23. All School Board members in attendance approve the motion.

A motion was made by Dustin Grabowska and seconded by Katie Adolphson to approve the hiring of

Amy Dalager, part-time vocal music/elementary music instruction for the 2021-22 school year. All School Board members in attendance approve the motion.

A motion was made by Gail Yutrzenka and seconded by Rick Kroll to approve the updated 2021-22 budget as presented:

- Revenue in Funds 1, 2, 4, 7 - \$5,507,465
- Expenditures in Funds 1, 2, 4, 7 - \$5,524,450
- Difference Total in Funds 1, 2, 4, 7 – (-\$16,985)

All School Board members in attendance approve the motion.

Superintendent Items:

- The next regular School Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Argyle

Superintendent's office.

- Legislative Update – Information was provided from Minnesota Rural Education Association and Minnesota Association of School Administrators on current Legislative progress and action toward P-12 education.

- Enrollment Update – We have held very steady this year with low levels of student and family mobility – We are current at 294 K-12 students and 27 Pre-School students.

- Bus Inspection – Compliments to Mr. Hendrickson and our transportation staff on completing the state inspection successfully.

- Board Breakfast – The School Board will plan to provide breakfast to the staff on June 1<sup>st</sup> during staff workshops.
- Budget review – ESSER allocations have been adjusted to federal requirements. District allocations have been negatively adjusted due to low poverty rates within the school district. The following are the adjusted levels of federal ESSER II and III funding that will be available July 1<sup>st</sup> 2021:
  - ESSER II – Original allocation \$105,847 – Adjusted allocation \$77,238.00
  - ESSER III – Original allocation \$343,563 – Adjusted allocation \$173,465.45
- Negotiations – We have not started on the process with certified staff at this time, but we hope to get an initial meeting established before the next regular School Board meeting.
- Q-Comp Program – Early-out on 4/30, end of year planning during workshops, planning for workshop in early August.
- Graduation – 5/29 at 2 p.m. in Kimball Auditorium
- Update on summer youth employment was completed
- Mr. Kuznia provided a review of the Class of 2021 trip.
- A review of administrative structure for 2021-22 was completed. In addition, a review of current staffing and projected staff was completed.
- Operating Referendum – The operating referendum for SAC will have to be proposed at the general election in November. The current referendum will be expiring at the 2021-22 school year. A final determination on the election information will be made at the May regular School Board meeting.
- Information was distributed and reviewed regarding the Gene Haas Foundation. The Foundation has provided a \$5,000 grant for the 2020-21 school year. \$2,500 is identified for two scholarships and \$2,500 is for equipment for technical programs.
- Storm Foundation Board – The recommended make-up of the Board is the superintendent, Principal, 2 community members (1 from each community), a school board representative, and a family/fund representative as a Ex-official to the fund of the Storm Foundation. This will be recommended for action at the May regular School Board meeting.
- Seeds for Stewardship grant was received from CHS for the new Ag program - \$1,000
- Community Grass Roots grant was received from Crystal Sugar for the new Ag program - \$2,500
- An insurance claim was filed for water damage to mechanical area at the Argyle site.
- The federal government as extend free meals at schools through the 2021-22 school year.
- C&C from Stephen has donated \$14,000 to the Storm Foundation from their revolving education loan fund. Those funds will be placed in the Storm Foundation Scholarship fund – This is an endowed fund.

A motion was made by Katie Adolphson and seconded by Dustin Grabowska to accept the resignation of Tyler Malm, Business Instructor, effective at the end of the 2020-21 school year. All School Board members in attendance approve the motion.

Tell me something great:

- Class of 2021 class trip – Great to be able to have the seniors participate in the trip this year.
- Full calendar of student activities this spring for elementary and secondary students.
- Thank you to the Storm alumni, supporters, and friends for the tremendous support for the Storm Foundation
- Thank you to all of the staff for their work to make the school year so successful.

A motion was made by Rick Kroll and seconded by Katie Adolphson to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 a.m. All School Board members in attendance approve the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cara Hendrickson  
ISD #2856 Clerk

