

Stephen/Argyle Central #2856

Board Meeting Minutes

May 19th, 2021

The regular May School Board meeting was called to order by Chairperson Steve McGlynn at 7:00 p.m. on May 19th, 2021 in the Argyle Superintendent's office. The School Board members present for the meeting were Steve McGlynn, Katie Adolphson, Rick Kroll, Gail Yutrzenka, Cara Hendrickson, and Shawn Rominski. School Board member absent was Dustin Grabowska. Others present at the meeting were Ethan Marquis, Kevin Kuznia, Nevin Lubarski, and Mary Chwialkowski, and Superintendent Chris Mills.

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

A motion was made by Rick Kroll and seconded by Katie Adolphson to approve the regular April 21st School Board minutes. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Cara Hendrickson and seconded by Shawn Rominski 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 Rick Kroll 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:

People, Purpose, Passion

- Semester finals – great job by the staff organizing their days and times
- Last day of school – graduation practice, afternoon plan A and B
- Senior Mock Interviews – Seniors impressed the panel, terrific experience for our students, very well organized event
- Seniors continue to finish strong. Just 7 days remain and reality is setting in, hope everyone noticed the senior banners in each community.

Extra/Co-Curricular Updates

- 7-12 Instrumental and Vocal Music concert was well attended – Great work Mrs. Jensen and Mr. Dalager
- Riverwatch students were out kayaking with Mr. Kotts and Phillip Oswald of the International Water Institute
- Mrs. Dalager already getting the Fall Musical planned
- Baseball dates – 5/21 H vs Grafton, 5/24 @ EGF, 5/25 H vs Win-E-Mac, 5/27 @ NF/Karlstad, Play-offs begin 6/1
- Golf dates – 5/20 @ Roseau, 5/25 sub-sections at Roseau
- Softball dates – 5/21 @ Blackduck, 5/24 H vs LPA, 5/27 @ Greenbush vs EGF
- Track & Field dates – 5/21 JH at TRF, 5/25 Home in Warren, 5/27 @ Roseau, 6/3 sub-sections TRF, 6/8 sections @ Park Rapids

Upcoming Activities:

- Baccalaureate 5/26 at St. Rose – 7:30 p.m.
- Graduation 5/29 Kimball Gymnasium – 2:00 p.m.

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

- MCA Testing
- NWEA Testing – HS goal of 80% reached at 86%
- Music programs – 5/18 Grades 3 & 4 1 p.m. and 5 & 6 2 p.m. 5/20 Grades K-2 2 p.m.
- Drama Club and Flag Football
- Burger Night – raises \$5500 for Storm Foundation
- Summer SACC program updates – supervision, timing, meals, and transportation
- Upcoming dates and activities – 5/20 K-2 program, 5/24 Toothpick bridges, 5/25 Square Dancing at Tamarac 2:00 p.m., 5/26 K-2 to River Cinema, 3rd and 4th to northern Air, 5/27 5th & 6th to Canad Waterpark, 5/28 4th quarter and end of the year awards 10:00 a.m.

- Summer recreation activities sign-up: Childcare 43, Baseball/Softball 64, Basketball 51, Flag Football 37, Golf 50, Volleyball 35, Pool 29, Piano 30, Guitar 11, Music Exploration 11, Summer Safari 11

Mr. Marquis presented information on technology activities at SAC:

- Facilities & Equipment – Argyle site phone disk failure
- Student Assessments – 2021 MCA Assessment complete – reserved machines and areas for ‘22
- Upcoming activities – Computer collection: minus 2 for 2021
- Summer projects – Site network updates/mid-summer installs of access points, controllers + wiring, switches
- NFHS: Anticipate early/mid summer install – No cost for installation
- Student/Staff computer/Devices: on hold pending possible funding option July 1st
- Tech needs – Staff evaluation and numbers – 2021-2022 Student policy
- Equipment move: Desktops, Laptops, iPods
- Routine summer: Cleans, updates, supply

A motion was made by Shawn Rominski and seconded by Cara Hendrickson to approve the consent agenda items as listed – Early-out May 28th. 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 hiring of David Smith, Social Studies/Physical Education Instructor, effective 2021-22 school year. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A discussion was held reviewing the tax impact and financial planning for the November referendum election. A motion was made by Shawn Rominski and seconded by Katie Adolphson to approve the operating referendum ballot question as 10 year operating referendum for \$1,771 per student. 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 gym floor bid as presented from Bolduc Hardwood Flooring, Inc. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Cara Hendrickson and seconded by Shawn Rominski to approve the hiring of Jenny Setterholm, Learning Readiness Teacher, effective 2021-22 school year. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

COVID compensation was tabled until the June meeting.

Superintendent Items:

- The next regular School Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 23rd at 6:30 a.m. in the Stephen Superintendent’s office.
- The Legislature seems to have reached a budget agreement with the Gov. office. At this time, we anticipate 525 million being invested into PK-12 education. The specifics will be put out in the next week.
- Storm Foundation will be making a contribution to the foundation next week with funds raised during Burger Basket night - \$5,500 and funds donated from the City of Stephen Education Fund - \$14,500.
- Staff workshops will be held on June 1st and 2nd to close up the 20-21 school year.
- We are starting the negotiation process with the certified staff. A proposal has been submitted and we will be setting a meeting to review.
- Meet & Confer will be held June 1st with Board and Certified staff committee
- Baccalaureate will be held on 5/26 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Rose Church
- Graduation for the Class of 2021 will be held on Saturday, May 29th at 2:00 p.m. in Kimball Gymnasium.
- Summer SACC updates were provided reviewing the program combinations with 21st Century Community Learning Center grant activities.
- ESSER Funding updates – The current allocations are ESSER II – \$77,238 and ESSER III - \$173,465. The funds are scheduled to be available July 1st.
- Current enrollments have held steady throughout the year – 295 K-12 students / 27 Pre-School students
- Summer work proposals are being collected for teaching staff at this time.
- Argyle Early Childhood Playground installation will take place in early June.

- A review of the current district debt was completed. The information for the review was provided by PMA Securities.

- There will be a baseball clinic in Argyle on June 26th at 2:00/3:30 hosted by the MN Twins

A motion was made by Cara Hendrickson and seconded by Shawn Rominski to approve the hiring of Janelle Swanson, Business Instructor, effective the 2021-22 school year. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Tell me something great:

- Mock Interviews experience with seniors was fantastic
- Elementary and Secondary concerts – Drama Club/Flag Football/Elementary Volleyball
- Summer SACC and activity participants – Great numbers!
- Happy retirement Mrs. Adolphson and Mrs. Jensen!
- Great year for students – Successful activities for everyone
- Board supportive of staff and decisions

A motion was made Shawn Rominski and second Rick Kroll to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cara Hendrickson
ISD #2856 Clerk