

Stephen/Argyle Central #2856

Board Meeting Minutes

September 21st, 2022

The regular September School Board meeting was called to order by Chairperson Steve McGlynn at 7:00 p.m. on September 21st, 2022 in the Argyle Superintendent's office. The School Board members present for the meeting were Katie Adolphson, Cara Hendrickson, Gail Yutrzenka, Rick Kroll, Steve McGlynn, Dustin Grabowska, and Shawn Rominski. Others present at the meeting were Janelle Swanson, Garry Kotts, Dan Lindgren, Kevin Kuznia, and Superintendent Chris Mills.

Pledge of Allegiance

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 Cara Hendrickson and seconded by Rick Kroll to approve the regular August 23rd School Board minutes. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Dustin Grabowska and seconded by Katie Adolphson to approve the September bills as presented. 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 Treasurer's report as presented. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

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

• Recent and Upcoming Events

- First 2 weeks are in the books (2 fire drills, 2 lockdown drills, and 1 evac drill), Changes to schedules – Lots by seniors, Mentor/Mentee meetings 9/21-Great connections with students, Early-out 9/30 for staff development, Juniors and Seniors to UMC 9/26 college/career fair – Thank you Mrs. Swanson, Miss Stewart taking over 50 students to FFA Kick-off event, Homecoming week activities, and review of message from Minnesota Association of Secondary School Principals Association
- Latest from the Minnesota High School League – Shortage of officials and judges, MSHSL website is difficult to navigate, Name Like Image transfers, unfortunate catastrophic football accident to Brainerd player in Moorhead
- Next Booster Projects – Highway signs and Hallway of Champions project
- Class of 2023 Trip update – Fundraising sub sandwiches, pizza, Senior BBQ, and couple of concessions remain
- Athletic schedules and activities:
 - o Cross Country: 9/20 @ Bagley, 9/26 @ Park Rapids, 9/29 @ EGF, 10/4 Home
 - o Football: 9/23 H vs Win-E-Mac, 9/30 @ LOW 6 p.m., 10/7 H vs Freeze 3:30 p.m.
 - o Volleyball: 9/20 H vs KCC, 9/22 H vs Sacred Heart, 9/24 @ Crookston
 - o Hiring of Girl's Basketball staff
- Essay, Articles, and E-mails

Mr. Lindgren provided a review of activities at SAC Elementary:

- Water Festival – Day 1 of school
- Flag Football grades 3-6 – Tuesday and Thursdays until October 13th “Under the Lights”
 - o 38 participants – Coaches Tony Safranski, Ashten Safranski, and High School Football players
- Elementary Volleyball grades 3-6 – Monday and Wednesday through mid-October
 - o 36 participants – Coaches are Betsy Jensen, Kayla Smith, Jenny Setterholm, Kelsi Douglas
- SACC – After School
 - o Megan Oberg and Hailey Riopelle
 - o High School workers – Andrea Oberg, Alicia Brewer, and Lily Svendsen

- Monday – Friday 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- 47 students registered, average 30 students per day
- 21st Century Program
 - 1 teacher, 2 HS students (Emma Korynta and Josie Deschene)
 - Monday-Thursday 3:30 p.m. to 5:20 p.m.
 - 39 students registered – About 20 attending per day
- Jill Adolphson
 - Great hire – Assisting in K room from 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. / Tuesday-Thursday
 - Will be creating activities once a week for 21st Century program
- Facebook – It is a work in progress.
- Things that are coming up: NWEA Testing, Water Festival – Tuesday, September 27th, Pumpkin Patch – PK and K, Fire Safety in October

A motion was made by Shawn Rominski and seconded by Gail Yutrzenka to approve the following consent agenda items:

- Approve the requests as presented to trade sick leave for personal leave per EMSA agreement and Support Staff handbook 22-24: Melanie McGlynn, Gerald Kuznia, Angie Mills, Tim Paulson, Kathy Borowicz, and Amie Malm.
- Accept the resignation of Bethany Westman, Food Service Director/Head Cook-Argyle effective 9/2/22
- Approve the hiring of Jessica Feist, Head Cook – Argyle effective 9/2/22
- Approve the land change for Brittany Swanson BA to BA+10
- Approve the leave request – Maddie Stewart 2/15/23 to 2/22/23

All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A review of the 2022-23 Certified Seniority List was completed.

A review of the current cooperative activities with Warren-Alvarado-Oslo was completed. A follow-up meeting will be scheduled with Warren-Alvarado-Oslo to discuss current and future plans with programs.

A motion was made by Gail Yutrzenka and seconded by Cara Hendrickson to approve the 2022 Pay 2023 Proposed Levy Certification at maximum. The overall levy will be adjusted in December when the final levy is approved. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Cara Hendrickson and seconded by Dustin Grabowska to approve the purchase of Robotics Equipment as presented. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

The second review of policies updated by the 2022 Minnesota Legislature and the Minnesota School Board Association was completed:

- Policy 208 Development of Policies
- Policy 209 Code of Ethics
- Policy 210 Conflict of Interest
- Policy 410 Family Leave
- Policy 415 Mandated Reporting/Adults
- Policy 417 Chemical Use and Abuse
- Policy 515 Protection of Pupil Records
- Policy 603 Curriculum Development
- Policy 604 Instructional Curriculum
- Policy 708 Transportation Nonpublic
- Policy 709 Student transportation Safety
- Policy 721 Uniform Grant Guidance
- Policy 722 Public Data Request

Superintendent Items:

- The next regular School Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 19th at 6:30 a.m. in the Stephen Superintendent's office.
- Early-out for staff development activities will be held on 9/30
- Meet & Confer – 9/19 at 7 a.m. in the Stephen Superintendent's office.
- Truth in Taxation – 12/19 at 7 p.m.
- An updated School Board meeting calendar for 2022-23 was provided for review
- Minnesota Rural Education Association Fall Conference will be held 11/13-15/22
- Minnesota rural Education Association Fall Member Forum was held on 9/7 to collect information to develop the 2023 Legislative Platform.
- Minnesota School Board Association Winter conference will be held on 1/11-13/23
- Pathways II grant to support our Pre-School programming has been funded for 2 additional years 22-23 and 23-24. The program provides 3 - \$5000 grants per year to off-set tuition costs for families that qualify through the Free and Reduced meal program.
- 21st Century program is progressing at this time in Year 6 – We are working on a Full Service Community Schools grant at this time that may replace the 21st Century grant in 23-24.
- Food Service Program – Thank you to Elsa Cook, Mary Ryden, Jessica Feist, Joleen Conway, and Bev Smith for all of their efforts to make the start of the school year successful amid a number of changes. Their efforts are appreciated daily by staff and students!

Tell Me Something Great!

- First Day of School Water Festival was a big hit with students and staff!
- Thank you to our tremendous staff for picking up task and duties in many areas as we work to fill positions in some areas. We are very fortunate to have some many that do some much for kids and families.
- Thank you to our administration for the planning and creativity to meet staffing needs in the district.
- Maddie Stewart is doing a terrific job with the FFA program – Great community interest in the program.
- Terrific to have Mrs. Adolphson working in the Elementary and bringing the enthusiasm for reading, learning, and school for our students.

A motion was made by Shawn Rominski and seconded by Rick Kroll to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 p.m. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cara Hendrickson
ISD #2856 Clerk