

Stephen/Argyle Central #2856

Board Meeting Minutes

November 21st, 2022

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

Pledge of Allegiance

A motion was made by Cara Hendrickson and seconded by Katie Adolphson 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 Rick Kroll to approve the regular October 19th regular School Board minutes and the November 15th Special School Board minutes. 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 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 Katie Adolphson 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

- Veteran's Day program held on 11/14, School Musical 11/14-18 Performances, FFA participated in NCTC hosted Public Speaking competition, Toward Zero Deaths speaker sponsored by FFA, Jake for NWSC training for the JH/SH staff, TEAM-UP Leadership seminar for 7 sophomores @ REA TRF, Winter Pictures 12/1, Junior Class Fruit/BB delivery, Senior volunteering visiting 3rd Grade – Gingerbread houses 12/1, FFA Ag Day at UMC 12/2, FFA Food Drive 12/5-9, Mentor Mentee meeting 12/6, Junior High Concert 12/12, High School concert 12/15, All students attending basketball game 12/13 – Student Council planning some activities as part of the day.
- The job being done by the support staff in the kitchen, office, paras in the classroom, and bus drivers – Thank you for your commitment.
- End of 1st Quarter Notes – A few incompletes with deer hunting and state volleyball attendance – Student discipline – Far less in numbers, but higher level concerns for students and families.
- Compliments to Mrs. Swanson's scheduling of college recruiters, job shadowing, ASVAB, tracking volunteer hours, hallway project with Media Arts, and several other projects with and for students.
- Parent/Student/Teacher conferences – Only a few left to reach the goal of 1005 – Compliments to staff and parents for flexibility with the November 10th storm.
- Extra and Co-curricular schedules: Instrumental and vocal solos 11/16 in Hallock, Wizard of Oz Musical – Thank you to Mrs. Dalager and crew for their time and efforts, GBB jamboree went well – First games 11/28 H vs Grafton and 11/29 H vs G/G, BBB start 11/21, One Act Play begins soon with Mrs. Dalager supervising.
- Review of class trip draft itinerary for Class of 2023

Mr. Lindgren provided updates on activities at SAC Elementary:

- Elementary BB – GBB 34 participants, BBB 32 participants, Boys start next week, Girls will start in December
- 21st Century Program – Average 30 kids after school. 2 high school workers, 1 lead teacher and an additional adult when needed, Mrs. Jill Adolphson leading two art projects per month

- High School Students – 6 students coming to the elementary Tuesday and Thursdays to work with students in Grades K-3 from 12:30 – 2:00.
- Awards Program – Honor Roll, Student of the Quarter, Reader's Team, and Make a Difference award were distributed at SAC Awards Day Program on November 11th.
- Elementary Volunteers – 3 6th grade students working with Penni Korynta to meet with senior citizens a couple of times a month. 1 6th grader working as a mentor with a Kindergarten student twice per week.
- Elementary K-4 Music program – December 8th at 7:00 p.m.
- Book Fair will be held on December 5th-9th / Open daily in the morning, before and after the elementary program, and during the GBB on 12/9.
- Coordination of elementary students to sing for Senior Citizens at the Argyle Mall during senior meals and tree displays.

A motion was made by Shawn Rominski and seconded by Cara Hendrickson to approve the leave requests for the following staff per agreements:

- o Renae Lindgren – 3/15-23/23
- o Dan Lindgren – 3/15-23/23
- o Amy Dalager – 11/28/22
- o Brittany Swanson – 2/15-16,21/2023
- o Hannah Yutzenka – 2/15-16,21/2023

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

A motion was made by Cara Hendrickson and seconded by Katie Adolphson to approve the Resolution Establishing Combined Polling Places for Multiple Precincts and designated Hours during which the Polling Places will Remain Open for Voting for School District Elections not held on the day of Statewide Election. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Items:

• The next regular School Board meeting will be held on Monday, December 19th at 7:00 p.m. in the Stephen Superintendent's office.

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

• Updated enrollment – 130 7-12 students 154 Elementary students 20 Pre-School students

• Veteran's Day program was held at SAC Elementary in the Old Gym on November 14th at 10 a.m. – Thank you to the music department and Argyle American Legion for their work on this event.

• Minnesota School Board Association Winter conference will be held on 1/11-13/2023

• Job Posting – We are currently searching for a High School Para-professional and High School cleaner. We will be posting for a Social Studies position for 2023-24.

• 21st Century Community Learning Center program is continuing to be successful in the school district. After school academic and activity programs have kept staff and students very busy throughout the Fall. We are looking forward to the 2nd quarter activities. We are planning for some community activities after the 1st of the year.

• Grants – Water Station Grant – In process, NW MN Arts equipment grant – Funded \$3,000, School Bus Camera grant – In-process, Stephen American Legion donation to installation of score board at Stephen Baseball Field, Robert & Mona Rae Johnson Fund – Funded \$3,000, Terog donation \$2000 toward Robotics equipment, Gene Haus Foundation grant – In-progress

• NW Council of Collaboratives will meet on Friday, December 2nd – The focus will be on planning for the future of the organization and a review of current grant applications for the region.

• Storm Scholarship Foundation fund raising drive will begin in the coming weeks – We hope to raise \$50,000 this year to support the continued development of the scholarship fund. There are several funds that available to support within the Storm Foundation. Please view - Storm Foundation Educational Funds please

visit: <https://www.nwmf.org/give-now/> and select Storm Scholarship Fund to make your donation directly or make your donations to Stephen-Argyle Central.

- A review of the federal ESSER Funds was completed, specifically program 160 and 161.
- The final audit will be available for review at the December regular School Board meeting. It has been delayed due to the federal funds distributed during 2021-22 and the accounting needed for a single federal audit.
- The Minnesota School board Association Legislative Platform is included in the packet as well the Minnesota Rural Education Association Platform – Advocacy will be key in the 2023 Legislative session.
- FEMA Emergency Funds – Working with City of Argyle on funding opportunity
- Wellness committee activities – Thank you to committee for the work.
- Max Foundation – Staff are continuing to work on introducing this program to our students. Staff participated in training on 11/7 and are continuing to work on curriculum. Thank you to Mrs. Woinarowicz, Mrs. McGlynn, Mr. Lindgren, and Mr. Kuznia fro their work on this program.
- Investment strategies – Reviewing CD rates, US Treasury Bonds, Checking vs. Funds
- Meeting with Law Enforcement, Social Services, Public Nursing, and County Attorney December 7th at 2 p.m. – All Marshall County Schools will be represented at the meeting.

Tell me something GREAT:

- Wellness committee activities facilitated by staff members
- Elementary student participating in volunteer activities
- Staff Involvement in activities – coaches, activity supervisors, 21st Century, committee work – Thank you for all of the work for students, families, and communities
- Kitchen substitute at Argyle site – Communicated how polite kids are when they come through the cafeteria!
- Lots of activities for students – Mentorship by older students is outstanding.
- Musical – Thank you to Mrs. Dalager for her terrific work. Large cast demonstrates the nature of the activity!
- Appreciate the work on grants that being pursued for our school and community.

A motion was made by Shawn Rominski and seconded by Rick Kroll to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m. All School Board members present voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cara Hendrickson
ISD #2856 Clerk