

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SD #4

The trustees met in regular session Monday, September 20, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in the library. Those present throughout the meeting were Chair Manny Zuniga, trustees Tom Bradford, Hal Olson and Sheri Boelter, Superintendent Brent Lipp and Business Manager Suzie Zentz. There were seven visitors (list attached).

Manny called the meeting to order and led the group in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The only adjustment to the agenda was to add extracurricular contracts under "new business."

AGENDA ADJ

Tom Bradford made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented; Sheri Boelter seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All voted in favor of the motion.

CONSENT AGENDA

Hal Olson made a motion to accept a letter of resignation to the board from Stacey Robinson; Tom Bradford seconded the motion. Manny noted that the position would be open from this point forward. All voted in favor of the motion.

CORRESP

Superintendent Brent Lipp introduced the following new staff members:

- Joan Ameline—Library
- Tierney Baffuto—Paraprofessional
- Mike Rice—Health/PE
- Alesia Styren—2nd Grade
- Talia Super—1st Grade

NEW STAFF INTRODUCTIONS

Technology Coordinator, Pat Cates, talked about our current technology program. Last year Pat learned about the system and infrastructure from the ground up. This summer we added new battery backups to increase stability. Our new server is now fully in use and the old one will be eliminated. We have also had many updates to PowerSchool. We sold a lot of old equipment and have replaced it with new, donated equipment. We have purchased five new computers and are now on a rotation to replace computers over time. We now have 23 on the mobile lab. We just received 13 new CPI's from the Social Security Administration. We are now using Google for our website and G-mail which is all free to education. We are paying for e-mail archiving. Pat also spent some time showing the trustees how to log in to their e-mail accounts.

TECHNOLOGY PRESENTATION

Brent thanked Pat for all his hard work. He noted that this is part of our vision and that it ties into our Strategic Plan. Brent added that we hope to replace about 4 computers per year. He said that we have about 3 years left on our Tech levy.

Superintendent Brent Lipp recapped his administrative report:

ADMIN RPT

- Brent worked with Becky Berg on Google apps and sites. She trained staff for two days during the PIR days.

- Open house was held on September 9th. Classroom schedules and routines were reviewed with parents. We provided hot dogs, etc to celebrate the parking lot, but it had to be held inside because of the weather. We had about a 50% turn out and many nice compliments about the parking lot.
- We are encouraging parents and the public to park in the bus lot (Cougar parking lot) for games to so we don't have cars parking on Duck Creek.
- Our staff attended a workshop on the September 13th PIR with Jay McTighe talking about effective learning styles...and another day with Becky Berg on September 14th working with Google sites.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

OLD BUSINESS

Brent noted that we are still working on wrapping up the project. Vannoy Heating is unable to do the gutter work until December. Now we are working with Empire Heating & Cooling to see if we can get the work done sooner. We are meeting with Marshall on Thursday. Brent believes we should fill in the cracks in the wall with the gray sealant. It looks OK. We are working on a price adjustment on the retaining wall from Knife River.

We also have raked out the dirt. We are waiting until the gutters are done before putting weed barrier down. Our new parking lot lights are in. The courtyard trees are doing well. Also, the children are planning to harvest the garden this week. Some of the food will be prepared by the kitchen staff for the kids to taste.

NEW BUSINESS

We are on a one year watch for AYP. Our difficulty this year is with the economically disadvantageous subcategory (last year too). Math is our weak point, but we had already decided to emphasize math this year with more interventions, etc. We have reviewed the statistics and the staff is making a great effort to improve math education. Our reading scores are phenomenal. We are focusing on our Proficient and Nearing Proficiency students.

Hal Olson made a motion to approve the following extra-curricular contracts for the 2010-11 school year—Mike Rice-Athletic Director \$1200, Jeramie Robinson-7/8th Boys Basketball \$850, Joey Buyske-5/6th Boys Basketball \$600, Erin Pimley-Math Counts \$500, Jill Thelen-MBI/Student Council \$700, Terry Mills-MBI/Student Council \$700, Terri Linger-Yearbook \$500; Tom Bradford seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All voted in favor.

PARKING LOT UPDATE

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EXTRA-CURRICULAR CONTRACTS

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Work session—September 27th at 5:00 p.m. to finish work on goals

Enrollment update

Trustee vacancy

MCEL

There being no further business, Sheri Boelter made a motion to adjourn at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Zentz, Clerk

Manuel Zuniga, Chair