

Sidney Community School District
Board of Director's Regular Meeting
March 20, 2015 7:30 pm 2754 Knox Road
Call meeting to order and determine quorum

Vice President Alisha Ettleman called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. Director present were Alisha Ettleman, Brad Johnson, and Larry Holt. Directors absent are Heidi Lowthorp and Erika Graham. Also present are 7-12 Principal/Superintendent Gregg Crucishank, PK-6 Principal/Curriculum Director Linda Spencer, Business Manager Jennifer Maher, Board Secretary Janet Lemrick.

Recognition of guests

There were two guests in the audience.

Approve agenda

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Director Johnson with second by Director Holt. Motion carried. Ayes 3 Nays 0

Approve minutes of March 16 regular meeting and April 8 Budget Hearing/Special meeting

Motion to approve the March 16 regular meeting as amended was made by Director Johnson with second by Director Holt. Motion carried. Ayes 3 Nays 0

Director Graham arrived at 7:48 p.m.

Motion to approve the April 8 Budget Hearing/Special meeting was made by Director Holt with second by Director Johnson. Motion carried. Ayes 4 Nays 0

Consider bills to be paid

Motion to approve the payment of bills was made by Director Graham with second by Director Johnson. Motion carried. Ayes 4 Nays 0

Financials

Motion to approve the financial statement as presented was made by Director Graham with second by Director Holt. Motion carried. Ayes 4 Nays 0

Audiences

Bud Brownfield-Automotive Program

Mr. Brownfield approached the Board with the use of his building that once housed Knox Body Shop to be used for Automotive classes. The Board is interested in pursuing with input from the area schools and the instructor. Liability issues will also need to be addressed.

Steve Baier-Noble Township Education Services (NTES)

The Board visited with Mr. Baier via telephone about the possibility of offering a blended college level Chemistry course on-line. Mr. Baier has been offering his teaching services in this area for the last fifteen years to area schools. The Board is interested in offering this opportunity to students in the 2015-16 school year.

Reports

Mrs. Spencer gave the Elementary report.

Mr. Cruickshank gave the 7-12/Superintendent report.

- IASB Board Development Workshop is April 29. Directors Lowthorp and Ettleman will plan to attend.
- Corner Conference Junior High Science Fair was held at Sidney.
- Special Olympic Track and Field completion was held.
- Mr. Curickshank reviewed upcoming activities and dates to remember
- JH/HS bell schedule will remain the same as this year for 2015-16
- Ag/Automotive update-Mr. Cruickshank and area superintendents will work cost details for these services.

Discussion

Activity/Athletic Conference

Corner Conference principals and athletic directors are having conversations with other schools concerning future considerations for activity/athletic conferences.

Discussion/Action

Audit

Jennifer Maher explained the findings of the 2013-14 audit.

Motion to accept the audit of 2013-14 was made by Director Graham with second by Director Johnson. Motion carried. Ayes 4 Nays 0

Teacher Librarian/technology staffing

Teacher Librarian and technology staffing scenarios for 2015-16 were discussed. Motion to accept the proposed agreement with Susy Clayton for 2015-16 services with compensation between \$9,700-10,200 depending on base salary settlement was made by Director Johnson with second by Director Graham. Motion carried. Ayes 4 Nays 0

Educational Transitions contracted for 2015-16

Motion to accept the proposed contract with John Davis as mentor to Melissa Godfread for guidance/school based interventionist/TeamMates coordinator was made by Director Graham with second by Director Johnson. Motion carried. Ayes 4 Nays 0

Long term substitute classified staff

Discussion on the need for a long term classified staff substitute policy was needed in order to address the current situation in the district. After much discussion the Board felt a policy would be beneficial and authorized Business Manager Jennifer Maher to pay the current long term classified staff substitute retroactive wages.

IASB membership

Motion to approve membership for 2015-16 and pay the dues of \$1726 for the Iowa Association of School Boards was made by Director Graham with second by Director Johnson. Motion carried. Ayes 4 Nays 0

High School Individual Speech and Large Group Speech

Motion to hire Heather Slater as High School Speech Coach for 2015-16 at a stipend of \$1550 was made by Director Johnson with second by Director Graham. Motion carried. Ayes 4 Nays 0

Action

Employment of personnel 2015-16

Motion to hire Allison Henderson as Preschool Instructor was made by Director Graham with second by Director Holt. Motion carried. Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion to hire Kelly McQueen as Third Grade Instructor was made by Director Johnson with second by Director Holt. Motion carried. Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion to hire Ciara Armstrong as Fourth Grade Instructor was made by Director Graham with second by Director Holt. Motion carried. Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion to hire Nicole Fox as Fifth Grade Instructor was made by Director Johnson with second by Director Holt. Motion carried. Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion to hire Aaron Lang as Technology Coordinator/Math Teacher was made by Director Graham with second by Director Johnson. Motion carried. Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion to hire Shawn Thompson as Assistant High School Baseball Coach was made by Director Holt with second by Director Johnson. Motion carried. Ayes 4 Nays 0

Motion to hire Kristen Ogea as Assistant High School Softball Coach was made by Director Graham with second by Director Holt. Motion carried. Ayes 4 Nays 0

Graduates

Motion to approve the graduation of the Class of 2015 pending completion of all requirements and fulfilling all obligations to the school district was made by Director Graham with second by Director Holt. Motion carried. Ayes 4 Nays 0

Board Comment

No comments

Celebrations

Battle of theBooks 2015 Championship Team was Batman and the Selfies which consisted of Matthew Benedict, Emmy Lu Feek, Kelly Holt and Harley Spurlock.

Jr. High Corner Conference Science Fair medalists are: Best of Show-Abby Whitehead; Gold-Sidney Baier, Camryn McClintock, Lily Matsuda, Olivia Larsen; Silver-Layne Ettleman, Austin Graham, Mister McNaughton.

Special Olympics Track & Field competitors are: Kali Barrett, Devin Fichter, Alex Gillespie, Mason Hagen, David Janendo, Logan Jurey, Jay Morgan, Weston Shipley, Devin Whiteside, Nathan Wolfe.

Successful Prom 2015.

ST Math Award to implement spatial temporal math at the elementary.

STEM Award to Allison Gregg and Meagan Poe, elementary instructors, to continue Science Club activities.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 9:36 p.m. was made by Director Holt with second by Director Johnson. Motion carried. Ayes 4 Nays 0
A strategy session was held following adjournment to discuss negotiations from the Sidney Education Association and the classified staff. This meeting is exempt from Iowa Open Meeting Law.

NEXT REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING WILL BE HELD MAY 18, 2015

This publication of minutes is the unofficial report of action taken. Official minutes are available for review at the Sidney Community School District after approval at the next regular board meeting.