

**Sidney Community School District  
Joint Board Meeting with Hamburg School District  
August 13, 2019 6:00 pm Marnie Simons Building in Hamburg**  
Call meeting to order and determine quorum

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm by Vice-President Alisha Ettleman. Directors present were Alisha Ettleman, Mike Daly and Shad Smith. President Erika Graham arrived at 6:50 pm. Director Matt McLaren was absent.

Also present were Superintendent Tim Hood, Secondary Principal Kim Payne, Elementary Principal Shannon Wehling, Business Manager Jennifer Maher and Board Secretary Janet Lemrick.

Recognition of guests

Janet Boyd, Department of Education, Jo Strinz, parent and Sandy Parmenter, Valley News reporter were present.

Welcome Board Members and Administration from Hamburg

Superintendent Mike Wells, Board members Dave Mincer, Debbie Reeves, Greg Warden, Kevin Dechant, and Business Manager Bill Barrett were present.

Approval of Agenda

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

Discussion of Tuition Agreement with Hamburg

The tuition agreement between districts expires June 2020. The agreement automatically renews each year unless notification is given by either party by March 15.

Sidney currently receives state funding for each student tuition-in from Hamburg. Hamburg wishes to reduce the amount Sidney receives by 10% to offset the cost of transportation. Sidney provided the costs of outfitting each tuition-in student with laptops.

Discussion of Calendar 2020-21

Sidney aligns their school calendar with the Corner Conference. This alignment gives shared teaching positions consistency in schedules.

Hamburg sets their own calendar.

Discussion of Curriculum 2020-21

President Graham arrived and resumed the duties of running the meeting.

The opportunity to share professional development and align elementary and junior high curriculum would be available if the calendar was aligned. Principals will meet between districts to try and work out sharing opportunities.

Discussion of other items

Director Ettleman asked the Hamburg Board if they were still planning to bring back a high school next year. Superintendent Wells indicated that plans are moving forward in that direction.

Hamburg parents have been asking members of the Sidney Board if junior high football would be shared between districts. Both districts will look further into this matter.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:25 pm was made by Director Daly with second by Director Ettleman. Motion carried. Ayes 4 Nays 0

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Next regular scheduled board meeting is August 19, 2019