

## **Sidney Community School District**

Board of Directors Regular Monthly Meeting

November 11th 2024 2754 Knox Road Sidney, IA 51652

### **Call meeting to order and determine quorum**

Superintendent Brown called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Present were President Renee Johnson, Vice President Justin Travis, Directors: Megan Franks, Teresa Graham and Darynn Ruiz. Also present were Superintendent Michael Brown, Elementary Principal Shannon Wehling, Secondary Principal Kimberly Payne. Absent was Board Secretary Bailey McNeas.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **Recognition of guests and public comment**

4 Guests. No public comment.

### **Approval of agenda**

Motion to approve the updated agenda was made by Director Graham with a second by Director Ruiz. Motion carried 5 ayes to 0 nays.

Mr. Brown presented the financials and fundraisers.

Motion to approve the minutes of the October regular board meeting minutes, bills, fundraisers, and financials were made by Vice President Travis with a second by Director Ruiz. Motion carried 5 ayes to 0 nays.

### **Reports**

Elementary Report. Mrs. Wehling presented. Reported on parent teacher conference numbers – it was lower than normal. Leadership team has plans to discuss this further. Mrs. Wehling gave updated elementary enrollment numbers.

Jr/Sr. High Report. Mrs. Payne presented. She also reported parent teacher conference numbers – JH/HS high building numbers compared to previous fall conferences. Leadership team will also be discussing. Mrs. Payne gave updated JH/HS enrollment numbers.

Maintenance Report. Mr. Salinas presented. Boiler inspection coming up at the elementary gym this week. He noted that there is a leak in the geothermal HVAC system at the JH/HS building. Currently installing glycol within to the system to keep up with it. Insurance options are being explored to get this fixed.

AD/Extracurricular Report. No Report.

Transportation Report. Mr. Lemrick presented. Good news! Electric bus chargers repaired and working well – this fix was done under warranty.

Superintendent report. Mr. Brown presented. Gave updates that he received from the AEA superintendent meeting. Discussed concession stand updates and the updated state competitive bidding processes. Brought to the board information regarding the drainage issues occurring at the football field.

### **Discussion**

Board Policies: 103, 103.R1, 501.12, 501.14, 501.15, 505.2, 603.1, 708, 710.1, 801.3, 803.2, 905.1, 905.1E1, 905.1E2, & 905.03. The board reviewed and discussed the policies. Agreed to table a few due to wanting further clarification on verbiage and proposed changes. Sharing Agreement with East Mills – Girls Wrestling Only. East Mills would like to bring their girls wrestling into the agreement to share with Sidney/Fremont-Mills. This is a 1-year agreement. This agreement will not change the class at which the girls currently wrestle. Septic Tank Quotes were tabled. HVAC Preventative Maintenance Bids. Mr. Brown presented the bid options and gave his recommendation for Jones Mechanical.

### **Action Items**

The following items were approved by the board: 5 ayes to 0 nays  
Approval of Board Policies: 103, 103.R1, 501.12, 501.14, 505.2, 603.1, 710.1, 801.3, 803.2, 905.1, 905.1E1, 905.1E2, & 905.03. Tabled: 501.15 & 708. Motion made by Director Franks. Second by Vice President Travis.  
Approval of Sharing Agreement with East Mills – Girls Wrestling Only. Motion made by Director Graham. Second by Director Franks  
Septic Tank Quotes - Tabled.

### **Approval of Resignation of Personnel**

The following resignations were approved by the Board: Motion made by Vice-President Travis. Seconded by Director Ruiz. 5 ayes to 0 nays.  
Kathy Johnson -Assistant Volleyball Coach

### **Approval of Personnel**

No Hires to Approve.

### **Board Comments**

Director Graham would like to develop a group of board, school, community, and city members to talk about creative ways to work together to possibly look at a community fitness center at the current elementary gym location.  
December regular board meeting will be held on December 16<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.

### **Celebrations**

Veterans Day Program

Thank you to the Sidney American Legion Post #128 for hosting a Veteran's Day Program at the Jr. High/High School today. We salute and thank all of the past and current Veterans and Military Service Personnel.

Congratulations to 2-time State Cross Country Qualifier Carter Buttry who ran at the State Cross Country Meet in Fort Dodge. Carter placed 107th which beat his last year place of 122nd. Great job Carter!

Mrs. Reynolds PE classes got a chance to climb the National Guard Rock Wall. The Students learned teamwork, trust, determination, and finding their inner strength! Lots of fun was had by all! Thanks to the National Guard for giving the students a chance to climb the wall.

Mr. Whitehead's welding class installed the barn quilt to the completed barn quilt frame that was built by the welding class last year. The Sidney SkillsUSA chapter received a donation from Farragut Hometown Pride for helping with the project. The welding students this year includes: Andreas Buttry, Flynt Bell, Carter Driskell, Mavryc Morgan, Ireland Fry, and Ben Kingsolver. Great job Students!

Mrs. Younts' Art students visited the newly reopened Joslyn Art Museum last week. Students enjoyed viewing the collection which spans 5,000 years of art including American, European, Native American and Mediterranean art. They also viewed 20th century contemporary art as well as the new addition and sculpture garden. What a great field trip!

### **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 7:16pm was made by Director Ruiz. Second by Director Franks. 5 ayes – 0 nays. Motion carried.

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. Next regular scheduled meeting will be held on December 16th, 2024 at 5pm.