

MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Board Meeting

De Soto Middle/High School LMC 7:00 P.M

Monday, July 18, 2016

MEMBERS

Present

Rick Pedretti, President

Jess Boardman, Vice President

Kirk Holliday, Treasurer

Geri Fox, Clerk

Shirley Alton

Dan Fladhammer

Dean Penkalski

Linzi Gronning, Interim Superintendent

Absent

Will Buckles

Jeff Long

The Regular meeting of the De Soto Area School District Board of Education was called to order at 7:03 p.m. on Monday, July 18, 2016, by Board President Rick Pedretti. All Board members were present except Will Buckles and Jeff Long.

The meeting was publicized by posting on the school doors, banks and post offices in De Soto, Ferryville, Genoa and Stoddard, Pedretti's in Genoa, Pronto in De Soto, and Red Mound Store on 7/14/2016, printed in the Broadcaster on 7/14/2016 and broadcast over WVRQ Radio.

Motion was made by Jess Boardman and seconded by Dean Penkalski to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Public comment time: None

Committee and other reports:

The Finance & Personnel Committee met on July 15th to review the District Office staffing, Band program Staffing and the Library Media Specialist position. The Committee recommended beginning to advertise the District Office position and to continue utilizing the independent contractor for the Library Media Specialist.

Betsy Knutson, Food Service Director, shared a written report for the Board. The Board is requesting more information regarding the a la carte portion of the Food Service Fund.

Motion was made by Shirley Alton and seconded by Jess Boardman that the receipts and expenditures, vouchers #42598-#42678 in the amount of \$540,067.99 be approved. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Geri Fox and seconded by Dean Penkalski that the minutes of the June 27, 2016 board meeting be approved. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Kirk Holliday and seconded by Dean Penkalski to approve hiring Ellen Moon, Elementary Music Teacher 80%, Katherine Opprecht, LMC Paraprofessional-Stoddard & Head High School Volleyball Coach, Merranda Boardman, Biology Club Advisor & PBIS Advisor, Nikki Egge, Talented & Gifted Coordinator and High School Football Volunteer Coaches-Adam Emerson, Luke Nolte, Leroy Emerson and Craig Newsome and accept resignations from Jim Mauss, District Bookkeeper and Lisa Robbins, Title 1 Teacher-Stoddard. Jess Boardman abstained. Motion carried.

A Budget Update report was provided for 2015-16 and will be constantly updated until it is completed.

Motion was made by Dean Penkalski and seconded by Kirk Holliday to accept the 2016-17 Preliminary Budget report as presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Geri Fox and seconded by Jess Boardman to approve 2016-17 Contract for the Sign Language Interpreter position. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Jess Boardman and seconded by Dean Penkalski to approve the fuel bid from AgVantage for \$0.77 per gallon LP for 2016-2017. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Geri Fox and seconded by Kirk Holliday to approve the Prairie Farms milk bid for 2016-2017 as presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Shirley Alton and seconded by Dean Penkalski to approve the Bimbo Bakery bread bid for 2016-2017 as presented. Motion carried.

2016-17 Lunch/Breakfast Prices was tabled.

Motion was made by Geri Fox and seconded by Dean Penkalski to approve De Soto Area Schools to use the Wisconsin Model Academic Standards for Math, English Language Arts, Social Studies, High School Science, Career and Technical Education, Physical Education, Art and Music; and Next Generation Science Standards for Elementary and Middle School Science. The guiding standards for Disciplinary Literacy and Information and Technology Education Standard are infused in all curricular areas. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Geri Fox and seconded by Kirk Holliday to approve the Insurance renewal from The Insurance Center for 2016-17 as presented by Derek Peterson. Motion carried.

Mrs. Gronning shared data gathered on numbers of families choosing other public education while living in our District in her District Administrator Report.

There were no changes to the FSA 125 Plan so no additional approval was needed for this year. No action required.

Motion was made by Dan Fladhammer and seconded by Jess Boardman to approve the Virtual School Student Handbook, the Middle/High School Student Handbook with changes, the Elementary Student Handbook and the Extra-Curricular Handbook. Motion carried.

No Fund 80 requests were received this month.

Motion was made by Geri Fox and seconded by Jess Boardman to approve the Early Entrance Request to start Pre-Kindergarten from Kayla Sutter for 2016-17 pending successful testing and recommendations from both the PK Teacher and the School Psychologist. Motion carried.

Principal Reports

Pat Busted, Buildings & Grounds Director: Reported on: Fence damage from the storm in July at Prairie View Elementary, Building cleaning is on track, New gym doors at both elementary schools installed, Senior Hall bathrooms tiled, Old gym is getting a facelift.

Mike Chapes, Stoddard Elementary Principal: Commented on the nice job staff did in the Stoddard Kitchen and painting the Stoddard Elementary office.

Kelly Olson, Prairie View Elementary Principal: Commented on the custodians getting ready for Summer School, Interviews for Elementary Art Teacher and last week of swimming lessons.

Linzi Gronning, Middle/High School Principal & Interim Superintendent: Presented District Goals and District Beliefs as the guiding principles for educational, operational and leadership decisions which all affect educating students. Collaborative efforts between parents, boosters, community members, teachers and staff are recognized for enhancing educational opportunities and facilities. The longevity of teachers and staff is valued and options to promote staff retention will be explored.

Correspondence: None

Items for August 2016 Board Meeting: Setting Annual Meeting date

Motion was made by Dean Penkalski and seconded by Dan Fladhammer to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

Gerri Fox, Clerk