

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
October 11, 2021
7:30 PM

I. Call Meeting to Order

President Dave Zimmerman called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and the following members were present: Aaron Whitwer, Angela Meyer, Dave Zimmerman, and Jim Zvolanek. The following administrators were presents: Jeff Murphy, Jerry Rempe, and Christopher Prosocki.

Reasonable advance publicized notice of the meeting was given according to law by publishing, a designated method for giving notice of the school district. Posted Location:

- Wymore Arbor State Newspaper

Posted Date: 9/30/2021

Reasonable advance notice was simultaneously given to board members and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and the agenda attached. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

I.A. Roll Call

I.B. Notice of Nebraska Open Meetings Act Posted

President Dave Zimmerman announced that a complete copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted in the back of the board of education meeting room.

I.C. Motion to Excuse Dana Dorn & Betsy Frerichs from the October 11, 2021, School Board Meeting

Motion to excuse Dana Dorn & Betsy Frerichs from the October 11, 2021, school board meeting. This motion, made by Angela Meyer and seconded by Aaron Whitwer, passed.

Dana Dorn: Absent, Betsy Frerichs: Absent, Angela Meyer: yes, Aaron Whitwer: yes, David Zimmerman: yes, Jim Zvolanek: yes
yes: 4, no: 0, Absent: 2

II. Approval of Minutes from the September 16, 2021, Regular Board Meeting, the Budget Hearing Minutes, & the Tax Request Hearing Minutes

Motion to approve minutes from the September 16, 2021, Regular Board Meeting the Budget Hearing Minutes, & the Tax Request Hearing Minutes. This motion, made by Jim Zvolanek and seconded by Angela Meyer, passed.

yes: 4, no: 0, Absent: 2

III. Communications, Audiences, and Recognitions

III.A. Public comments will not be received after this period of time. Public comment period is limited to 5 minutes per person and a total of 30 minutes overall.

IV. Financial Statement: Item for Discussion, Consideration, and/or Action

C.D. Bids for the month were as follows:

Security First Bank, Blue Springs Special Funds: 0.05%

Wymore State Bank, Special Funds: 0.001%

IV.A. Approval of Bills

IV.A.1. General Fund, Special Building Fund, Depreciation Fund, and Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund Claims

Motion to approve the general fund, special building fund, depreciation fund, and qualified capitol purpose undertaking fund claims. This motion, made by Jim Zvolanek and seconded by Angela Meyer, passed.

Dana Dorn: Absent, Betsy Frerichs: Absent, Aaron Whitwer: Abstain (With Conflict), Angela Meyer: yes, David Zimmerman: yes, Jim Zvolanek: yes
yes: 3, no: 0, Absent: 2, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

IV.A.2. Lunch & Activity Claims

V. Support Service

V.A. Facility Update

John Linder provided the school board with a written report over the Jr./Sr. High School boiler project being complete and the state inspector signing off on it, working on installing a Hudl camera in the press box at the football field in an effort to stream home games, and waiting on parts for buses.

Dr. Proski noted that the district will need to purchase a handicap accessible van to use throughout the school year.

V.B. Personnel Items

V.C. Technology Update

Dr. Proski noted that the district was awarded a \$15,600 federal grant through the Emergency Connectivity Fund (ECF) to help cover the cost of teacher and counselor laptops for the 2021-2022 school year. In addition, Dr. Proski presented the school board with the district's strategic plan for the acquisition of technology to support student learning. This plan will ensure that the district can sustain our one-to-one iPad/laptop program over the next 7 years in grades PK-12.

VI. Administrative and Committee Reports

VI.A. Student Board Member Report

VI.B. Elementary Principal's Report

The elementary principal reported on the following items: current enrollment figures (3-Year-Old Preschool - 10, 4-Year-Old Preschool - 16, K - 20, 1st - 32, 2nd - 23, 3rd - 25, 4th - 22, 5th - 24, 6th - 22), fall parent teacher conference participation rate (85% turnout), Red Ribbon Week during the week of October 25 (Red Ribbon week is an alcohol, tobacco, and other drug and violence prevention awareness campaign observed annually in October in the United States), and activity updates.

VI.C. Secondary Principal's Report

The secondary principal provided a written report on the following items: current enrollment figures (7th - 31, 8th - 28, 9th - 32, 10th - 31, 11th - 35, 12th - 24), homecoming king & queen (Brock Adams & Madison Wegner), alternative school update (2 of the 4 spots are filled), Mrs. Trauernicht providing career opportunities for 9-12 students, in-service on October 11, sophomores taking the Pre-ACT, apply to college day, ASVAB and ACCUPLACER testing, requirements under the American Civics Bill, and a 36% participation rate in parent teacher conferences.

VI.D. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Prosocki went over the results from the recent school improvement surveys that were administered to all 4-12 students, staff members, and community members, and he noted that the certificated staff members came up with action plans to make the district a better place at the October 11 in-service based on the data received from the surveys. Next, Dr. Prosocki went over his contracted days for the third quarter, and he went over the results of the DIBELS and MAP assessments. Dr. Prosocki informed the school board that he will be out of the district on October 21 because he will be leading Bruning-Davenport USD accreditation visit. Dr. Prosocki gave the school board an update about a federal grant he recently completed through Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and the district will receive around \$122,000 from this ESSA grant. Dr. Prosocki gave the school board an update on the Nebraska Association of School Boards State Education Conference on November 18 & 19, and he talked about the piloting a social-emotional learning curriculum (Second Step) in grades PK-1 and in 7th and 8th grade during the second through fourth quarters to help address mental health issues. Dr. Prosocki reminded the school board about his November evaluation, he noted the district is looking at new 7-12 health textbooks for the 2022-2023 school year, and Dr. Prosocki presented the school board with the district's strategic plan for the acquisition of textbooks to support student learning over the next 8 years. Lastly, Dr. Prosocki informed the school board that he will have to cancel school on Monday, October 25 (This is a tentative date that still needs to be confirmed with the city of Wymore) because the city of Wymore will be without power for 3 hours or more (The Elementary School will also not be in session because breakfast and lunches are made at the Jr./Sr. High School).

VII. Items for Discussion, Consideration, and/or Action

VII.A. Review, Consider, and Award the Bid for the Elementary School Boilers

Motion to award the bid for the Elementary School boilers to Johnson Controls for the amount of \$164,253. This motion, made by Aaron Whitwer and seconded by Jim Zvolanek, passed.

yes: 4, no: 0, Absent: 2

The district will use the third round of stimulus funding from the Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds to pay for the Elementary School boilers.

VII.B. Review, Consider, and Award the Bid for the Jr./Sr. High School HVAC Project

Motion to award the bid for the Jr./Sr. High School HVAC project to Johnson Controls for the amount of \$229,248. This motion, made by Jim Zvolanek and seconded by Angela Meyer, passed.

yes: 4, no: 0, Absent: 2

The district will use the third round of stimulus funding from the Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds to pay for the Jr./Sr. High School HVAC project.

VII.C. 2021 College & Career Ready English Language Arts Standards

Motion to approve the 2021 college & career ready English Language Arts standards. This motion, made by Angela Meyer and seconded by Aaron Whitwer, passed.

yes: 4, no: 0, Absent: 2

School districts must, within a year, adopt mandated state standards or create their own standards of equal or greater rigor. Only the standards mandated by Nebraska law must be adopted by school districts. The mandatory standards in Nebraska are in the content areas of reading and writing (English Language Arts), mathematics, science, and social studies.

VII.D. Option Enrollment Applications

VIII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. This motion, made by Jim Zvolanek and seconded by Angela Meyer, passed.

yes: 4, no: 0, Absent: 2

The next Regular Board meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m., November 8, 2021, at Southern Jr./Sr. High School Board Auditorium in Wymore. The Board of Education will usually adhere to the sequence of the published agenda, but reserves the right to adjust the order of items if necessary and may elect to amend the agenda as deemed necessary.

BY

President of the Board of Education
Of this School District

ATTEST
Secretary of the Board of Education
of this School District