

Board of Education Meeting  
Southwest Public Schools  
District 179  
May 9, 2016

President Duane Teter called the regular meeting of the Southwest Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:35 p.m. on May 9, 2016 at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.

Present: Duane Teter, Ondrea McConville, Jenni McConville, Steve Daffer, Lynda Baumbach, Principal Kathy Latta, Principal Matt Springer, Superintendent Todd Porter, and Patricia Smith.

Absent: John O'Dea.

Visitors: Jolene Miller, Howard Kester, and Jason Kloeping.

President Teter observed Open Meeting Law requirements.

Moved by Daffer, seconded by J. McConville, to excuse absent Board Member John O'Dea. Ayes: Daffer, O. McConville, J. McConville, Baumbach, and Teter. Nays: None. Absent: O'Dea. Motion carried.

Moved by Baumbach, seconded by O. McConville, to approve the board meeting agenda as presented. Ayes: Daffer, O. McConville, J. McConville, Baumbach, and Teter. Nays: None. Absent: O'Dea. Motion carried.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by the board-approved method of meeting notice. Notice of the meeting was given in advance to all members prior to the meeting date.

John O'Dea arrived at the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Howard Kester introduced the idea of the installation and cost estimates of 120 yards of a six-lane practice track to the Board.

Superintendent Porter informed the Board of student awards and accomplishments during the month of April.

Moved by J. McConville, seconded by Baumbach, to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2016 board meeting minutes as presented. Ayes: O. McConville, Daffer, J. McConville, Baumbach, O'Dea, and Teter. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by O. McConville, seconded by O'Dea, to approve the claims as presented. Ayes: Teter, J. McConville, Daffer, Baumbach, O'Dea, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was presented to the Board.

The Board took no action on the quote by Esslinger's Home Improvement Co. to repair the practice gym ceiling.

Moved by Baumbach, seconded by O'Dea, to accept the bid by Telephone Systems of Nebraska to replace the elementary security camera wiring with a commercial grade wire and connection boxes in the amount of \$2,903.80. Ayes: J. McConville, Daffer, O. McConville, Baumbach, O'Dea, and Teter. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Superintendent Porter reported on preparations and post-cleanup of the graduation ceremony, a scheduled custodial meeting concerning summer maintenance, a meeting concerning in-service plans, and the School Law Update Conference in June.

Principal Latta reported on elementary staff who attended the NETA Conference, Orientation at the Junior-Senior High for sixth grade students, completion of NeSA and AIMS testing, Summer School to be held June 6-30, elementary field trips, field day, and the music program. She voiced appreciation to Linda Maiden and State Farm Insurance for organizing the Bike Rodeo for first and third grade students, to the Southwest Booster Club for donating safety helmets for first grade students, and to the Student Council for their assistance during the Bike Rodeo.

Principal Springer reported on district track and golf competitions, the annual inspection of the coach buses, appreciation of the junior and senior high staff for the extra effort to help students during ninth hour held on Monday and Wednesdays after school. Board President Duane Teter offered his thanks to staff members for their dedication to students.

Moved by J. McConville, seconded by O'Dea, to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m. Ayes: O'Dea, Teter, J. McConville, Baumbach, Daffer, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Agenda for meetings will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Superintendent.

The next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, June 13, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. at the Southwest Elementary School in Indianola.