Board of Education Meeting
Southwest Public Schools
District 179
December 10th, 2018

Vice President Ondrea McConville called the regular meeting of the Southwest Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:31 p.m. on December 10th, 2018 at the Southwest Elementary School in Indianola.

Present: Jason Kloepping, Jenni McConville, John O'Dea, Ondrea McConville, Jason Neseth, Principal Kathy Latta, Principal Matt Springer, Superintendent Todd Porter, and Natalie Meyers.

Absent: Duane Teter

Visitors: Cody Gerlach

Vice President Ondrea McConville observed Open Meeting Law requirements.


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

Awards & Recognition-JH Quizbowl took 2nd out of 6 teams at their meet on December 5th. There were several students who received Honorable Mention Actor at the One Act Districts on November 28th.

Tabled Item VII A, Approval of Prior Minutes.

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

The treasurer’s report was presented to the Board.

Moved by O'Dea, seconded by Neseth, to approve the quote from Connection Public Sector Solutions in the amount of $21,924.10 to replace teacher/staff computers. Ayes: J. McConville, O. McConville, Kloepping, Neseth, and O'Dea. Absent: Teter. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Superintendent Porter reminded board members that there was an ESU Board Workshop coming up if anyone was interested in attending in North Platte. Mr. Porter will be attending the Legislative Preview Conference Wednesday, December 12th. The official copy of the 2017-2018 Audit was given to each board member to keep.

Principal Latta reported there were 6 students from the elementary who participated in the NMEA Barbershop Chorus in Lincoln. They had a NSCAS awards ceremony on Dec. 5th. 2 students exceeded standards in all areas, Gage Hammond and Avery McConville. Pre-School Applications are due the 17th of December and so far they have 20 preschoolers signed up. 5th & 6th Grade Christmas Program was on December 10th and Pre-K thru 4th is December 17th. CPR training and First Aide for some staff will be administered on our in service day, Jan. 7th.

Principal Springer reported the Jr/Sr High School program was last week and had many compliments on it. The new route bus that was approved last board meeting has been ordered and should be here by February. Our ACADECA team has been doing well and semester tests are next week with an early dismissal next Friday at 1:00 p.m.
Moved by O'Dea, seconded by Neseth, to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m.  Ayes:  O'Dea, Kloeppeing, J. McConville, Neseth, and O. McConville. Absent: Teter.  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, January 14th, 2019, at 7:30 p.m. at the Southwest Jr/Sr High School in Bartley.

Staff-Board Christmas Appreciation Gathering is Tuesday December 18th, 2018 at The Rocket at 6:00.