Board of Education Meeting  
Southwest Public Schools  
District 179  
June 10, 2019

President Duane Teter called the regular meeting of the Southwest Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:30 p.m. on June 10, 2019 at the Southwest Elementary School in Indianola.


Absent: Jason Neseth.

Visitors: Cody Gerlach and Ben and Nicole Springer.

President Teter observed Open Meeting Law requirements.


Jason Neseth arrived at the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Since Policy Revision 5017 Routine Directory Information was not listed on the board agenda, the agenda was amended to add the policy revision as item 23-1. Moved by J. McConville, seconded by O’Dea, to approve the board meeting agenda as presented with the addition of Item 23-1. Ayes: O’Dea, O. McConville, Neseth, Kloeping, Teter, and J. McConville. Nays: None. Absent: 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.

Ben Springer addressed the board.

Moved by O. McConville, seconded by Neseth, to approve the May 13, 2019 board meeting minutes as presented. Ayes: O’Dea, O. McConville, J. McConville, Kloeping, Teter, and Neseth. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

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

The treasurer’s report was presented to the Board.

Moved by O. McConville, seconded by O’Dea, to appoint R. Todd Porter, Superintendent of Schools, as the authorized representative for all local, state, and federal programs and documents as of July 1, 2019. Ayes: O’Dea, O. McConville, Neseth, J. McConville, Kloeping, and Teter. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Moved by J. McConville, seconded by O’Dea, to appoint R. Todd Porter, Superintendent of Schools, as the Title IX compliance officer as of July 1, 2019. Ayes: Teter, O. McConville, Kloeping, J. McConville, Neseth, and O’Dea. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Moved by O’Dea, seconded by Kloeping, to approve participation in the state and federal hot lunch program with R. Todd Porter, Superintendent of Schools, as the hearing officer as of


Moved by J. McConville, seconded by O’Dea, to appoint Matt Springer, Secondary Principal, as the determining official for all hot lunch applications received from students in Grades 7-12. Ayes: Teter, O. McConville, J. McConville, Kloeppling, Neseth and O’Dea. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Neseth, seconded by O’Dea, to appoint Kathy Latta, Elementary Principal, as the determining official for all hot lunch applications received from students in Pre-Kindergarten-Grade 6. Ayes: J. McConville, Kloeppling, Neseth, O. McConville, O’Dea and Teter. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.


Moved by O’Dea, seconded by Kloeppling, to keep lunch, breakfast, and milk prices the same as the 2018-2019 school year prices. Lunch prices will remain as follows: Pre-kindergarten through Grade Six lunch price at $2.90 and breakfast at $2.00. Grade 7 through Grade 12 lunch price at $3.50, and adult lunch price at $3.80. Milk price remains at $.35 per carton. Ayes: J. McConville, Neseth, Kloeppling, Teter, O. McConville and O’Dea. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Superintendent Porter reported on the projected state aid increase for the 2019-2020 school year, the budget process, and the June 14 School Law Workshop.

Principal Latta reported on the June 20 reading workshop, the revision of reading assessment benchmarks for the individualized reading plan mandated by LB1081 Nebraska Reads, summer school, and summer maintenance.

Principal Springer reported on the remanufacturing of a coach bus transmission.
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, July 8, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.

Moved by O’Dea, seconded by J. McConville, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. Ayes: Kloeping, Neseth, Teter, O’Dea, J. McConville, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Motion carried.