

Board of Education Meeting  
Southwest Public Schools  
District 179  
March 11, 2013

President Duane Teter called the regular meeting of the Southwest Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:35 p.m. on March 11, 2013 at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.

Present: Tom Sughroue, Kevin Potthoff, Steve McConville, Steve Daffer, Duane Teter, Ondrea McConville, Principals Carrie Rasmussen and Matt Springer, Superintendent Clayton Waddle, and Patricia Smith.

Absent: None.

Visitors: Mary Marsh, Cody Gerloch, Linda Clark, Don and Donna Behnke, Don Ellicott, Bob Loshbaugh, Deanne Ruggles, and Mary Jo Overton.

President Teter observed Open Meeting Law requirements.

Moved by Sughroue, seconded by S. McConville, to approve the board meeting agenda as presented. Ayes: O. McConville, Daffer, Sughroue, Potthoff, Teter, and S. McConville. 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 the president of the board and all members prior to the meeting date.

Deanne Ruggles and Mary Jo Overton thanked the Board for purchasing the new elementary science curriculum as the board members viewed a PowerPoint presentation and Grade 2 and 4 students' journals.

The Board was informed of twelve students participating in the Young Americans workshop in Cambridge this week.

Moved by Potthoff, seconded by Daffer, to approve the February 11, 23, 26 and 27, 2013 board meeting minutes as presented. Ayes: Sughroue, Potthoff, Daffer, Teter, O. McConville, and S. McConville. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by S. McConville, seconded by Sughroue, to approve the claims as presented. Ayes: Sughroue, S. McConville, Daffer, O. McConville, Teter, and Potthoff. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was presented to the Board.

Moved by S. McConville, seconded by Potthoff, to approve a contract including addendum #1 with R. Todd Porter as superintendent for the 2013-2014 school year. Ayes: O. McConville, Sughroue, Daffer, S. McConville, Teter, and Potthoff. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Potthoff to begin the process of a cooperative agreement with the McCook Public Schools for girls' golf. The motion died for lack of a second.

Moved by Teter, seconded by S. McConville, to review participation in the girls' golf program in two years. Ayes: Teter, S. McConville, Potthoff, Daffer, O. McConville, and Sughrue. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Potthoff, seconded by Sughrue, to approve Payment Application #5 from EAD Constructors, Inc. in the amount of \$79,911.81. Ayes: Sughrue, S. McConville, Potthoff, Teter, O. McConville, and Daffer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Potthoff, seconded by Daffer, to approve the bid with Glenwood for the installation of security cameras at the elementary school for \$28,954.83. Ayes: S. McConville, Sughrue, O. McConville, Daffer, Teter, and Potthoff. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by O. McConville, seconded by Sughrue, to accept the resignation of Cecelia Walz as a paraeducator at the elementary school with thanks for her service to the district. Ayes: Daffer, S. McConville, O. McConville, Sughrue, Teter, and Potthoff. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Superintendent Waddle discussed the February 20 external school improvement visit and their recommendation for accreditation and suggestions along with praise for the steering committee, the updated schedule for completion of the gym renovation project, the installation of water to the shop area which was outside the scope of the renovation project, superintendent transition, and the NRCSA Spring Conference on March 21 and 22 in Kearney.

Principal Springer reported on senior graduation and scholarships, track and football field plans, class schedules for 2013-2014, aligning the science and math curriculum, and the importance of MAPS testing.

Principal Rasmussen reported on kindergarten orientation, pre-kindergarten applications, elementary quiz bowl host, enthusiasm and implementation of the science curriculum, complements from the external school improvement visit, student preparation for MAPS testing, and upcoming events.

Moved by Sughrue, seconded by S. McConville, to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.. Ayes: Daffer, Sughrue, S. McConville, Teter, O. McConville, and Potthoff. 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, April 8, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. at the Southwest Elementary School in Indianola.