

Board of Education Meeting
Southwest Public Schools
District 179
March 12, 2012

President Duane Teter called the regular meeting of the Southwest Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:30 p.m. on March 12, 2012 at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.

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

Absent: Steve Daffer.

Visitors: Mary Marsh, Linda Clark, Don and Donna Behnke, Don Ellicott, Cody Gerlach, David Wilson, and Ondrea and David McConville.

President Teter observed Open Meeting Law requirements.

Moved by S. McConville, seconded by Sughroue, to excuse absent Board Member Steve Daffer. Ayes: Potthoff, C. McConville, Sughroue, Teter, and S. McConville. Nays: None. Absent: Daffer. Motion carried.

Moved by Potthoff, seconded by C. McConville, to approve the board meeting agenda as presented. Ayes: Sughroue, Potthoff, C. McConville, Teter, and S. McConville. Nays: None. Absent: Daffer. 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.

The Board was informed of students receiving awards and recognition during February.

Moved by Sughroue, seconded by S. McConville, to approve the February 13 and 22, 2012 board meeting minutes as presented. Ayes: Sughroue, Potthoff, C. McConville, Teter, and S. McConville. Nays: None. Absent: Daffer. Motion carried.

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

Superintendent Waddle presented the treasurer's report to the Board.

David Wilson of W Design Associates reviewed the information given to the Board at the February 22 meeting and answered questions from Board members. Moved by C. McConville, seconded by Potthoff, to approve W Design Associates to submit a new budget proposal for Phase 1 and 2 at a special board meeting. Ayes: Sughroue, C. McConville, S. McConville, and Potthoff. Nays: Teter. Absent: Daffer. Motion carried.

Moved by S. McConville, seconded by Sughroue, to approve the contract from ATC Communications for a 20 MB wireless link on their existing network between the elementary and the junior-senior high buildings Ayes: S. McConville, Sughroue, C. McConville, Teter, and Potthoff. Nays: None. Absent: Daffer. Motion carried.

Moved by S. McConville, seconded by C. McConville, to approve Bentley and Kisker to complete the annual audit of all accounts, financial statements, and review all investments of the district. Ayes: S. McConville, Sughrue, Potthoff, C. McConville, and Teter. Nays: None. Absent: Daffer. Motion carried.

No action was taken to nominate a board member to the NASB Legislative Committee.

The Building Committee will meet prior to the special board meeting to review the parking facilities at the elementary school. Action on the short and long-range goals was tabled until the special board meeting.

Moved by Sughrue, seconded by C. McConville, to approve the 2012-2013 school calendar as presented. Ayes: S. McConville, Sughrue, C. McConville, Potthoff, and Teter. Nays: None. Absent: Daffer. Motion carried.

Moved by C. McConville, seconded by S. McConville, to approve the employment of certified staff for the 2012-2013 school year as recommended by Superintendent Waddle. Ayes: S. McConville, C. McConville, Sughrue, Teter, and Potthoff. Nays: None. Absent: Daffer. Motion carried.

Moved by C. McConville, seconded by Sughrue, to approve the employment of Gabriel Gauthier as a social science instructor for the 2012-2013 school year. Ayes: C. McConville, Sughrue, S. McConville, Teter, and Potthoff. Nays: None. Absent: Daffer. Motion carried.

Moved by Potthoff, seconded by Sughrue, to accept the resignation of Dennis Troester with gratitude for 41 years of service to the district. Ayes: S. McConville, Sughrue, C. McConville, Potthoff, and Teter. Nays: None. Absent: Daffer. Motion carried.

Superintendent Waddle reported on advertising for an instructor with a Middle School endorsement for the 2012-2013 school year, a new copy machine lease with Eakes Office Plus for replacement of machines and an additional copier in the Life Skills building at a cost of \$172 less per month, the collection of negotiations information, a retirement party for Dennis Troester and Ron Casper on April 29 at 2:00 p.m., and plans to attend the NRCSA Conference on March 22 and 23 in Kearney. The Superintendent also reviewed other "cost savings" actions taken by the Board during the current school year.

Principal Springer reported on work with Stephen Granger of CG Architects and Sampson Construction to finalize repair work on the junior-senior high building, scholarships, the 2012-2013 junior-senior high class schedule with plans for junior high sports practices during the school day, and MAPS testing.

Principal Rasmussen reported on kindergarten round-up, new students, ILCD review, MAPS testing, and her involvement with the Hayes Center School Improvement Team.

The Board plans a special meeting on either March 26 or 28 at 7:30 p.m. at the elementary school in Indianola depending on the availability of David Wilson of W Design Associates to complete the updated budget for the demolition and improvements to the 1923 building in Bartley.

Moved by Potthoff, seconded by Sughrue, to enter into closed session to discuss negotiations and legal matters for the protection of public interest at 9:35 p.m. President Teter repeated the motion, and the board voted as follows: Ayes: S. McConville, Sughrue, C. McConville, Potthoff, and Teter. Nays: None. Absent: Daffer. Motion carried.

President Teter reconvened open session at 10:19 p.m.

Moved by Potthoff seconded by Sughroue, to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 p.m. Ayes: C. McConville, Sughroue, S. McConville, Teter, and Potthoff. Nays: None. Absent: Daffer. 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 16, 2012, at 7:30 p.m. at the Southwest Elementary School in Indianola.