

Board of Education Meeting
Southwest Public Schools
District 179
November 10, 2014

President Duane Teter called the regular meeting of the Southwest Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:33 p.m. on November 10, 2014 at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.

Present: Kevin Potthof, Tom Sughrue, Ondrea McConville, Steve Daffer, Duane Teter, Steve McConville, Principals Kathy Latta and Matt Springer, Superintendent Todd Porter, and Patricia Smith.

Absent: None.

Visitors: Mary Marsh, Kris Marotta, Dave McConville, and Jenni McConville.

President Teter observed Open Meeting Law requirements.

Moved by Sughrue, seconded by Daffer, to approve the board meeting agenda as presented. Ayes: Sughrue, Potthoff, S. McConville, Teter, O. McConville, and Daffer. 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.

Moved by O. McConville, seconded by Potthoff, to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2014 board meeting minutes as presented. Ayes: Daffer, Teter, O. McConville, Sughrue, and Potthoff. Nays: None. Abstained: S. McConville. Motion carried.

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

The treasurer's report was presented to the Board.

Approval of the 2013-2014 audit was tabled until the December board meeting in order to give board members time to review the report.

Moved by O. McConville, seconded by Potthoff, to approve the quote from Daktronics for an 8' x 18' football scoreboard in the amount of \$8,987. Pepsi has donated \$5,000 toward this purchase. Ayes: S. McConville, Daffer, Teter, Potthoff, Sughrue, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by S. McConville, seconded by Sughrue, to recognize the Southwest Teachers' Association as the exclusive bargaining agent for the district's non-supervisory certificated staff for the 2016-2017 contract year. Ayes: S. McConville, Daffer, Teter, Potthoff, Sughrue, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Motion carried.

New Business Action Item 4, Discussion of the Superintendent's Evaluation and Contract, was tabled until after the Administrators' Reports.

Superintendent Porter reported on Safe Schools computer-based employee training, No Child Left Behind provision, evaluation of curriculum, possible addition of a school to the RPAC Conference, elementary restroom renovation, installation of electric heaters in the football concession stand, and scheduling of the 2015-2016 RPAC Conference volleyball and basketball tournaments at MCC.

Principal Latta reported on the Good Friends activity, Halloween party, Game Night, Red Willow County Health staff immunizations, Veterans' Day Program, and the UNL Response to Intervention Workshop in North Platte.

Principal Springer updated the board on the status of delivery of the new bus, the Pre-kindergarten-Grade 12 Assembly, the Board-Staff Christmas Party, and bus diesel treatment during the cold temperatures.

Moved by Teter, seconded by Daffer, to go into closed session to discuss the Superintendent evaluation, according to Board Policy 4057, to protect the needless injury to the reputation of an individual at 8:25 p.m. President Teter repeated the motion, and the Board voted. Ayes: Teter, Sughrue, Daffer, Potthoff, S. McConville, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Motion carried.

President Teter declared the end of closed session at 8:50 p.m.

Moved by Sughrue, seconded by S. McConville, to approve the Superintendent's Evaluation. Ayes: Teter, Sughrue, Daffer, Potthoff, S. McConville, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Potthoff, seconded by O. McConville, to approve Superintendent Todd Porter's contract for the 2015-2016 year. Ayes: Teter, Sughrue, Daffer, Potthoff, S. McConville, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by S. McConville, seconded by Sughrue, to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m. Ayes: Daffer, Sughrue, Potthoff, Teter, S. McConville, 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, December 8, 2014, at 8:00 p.m. at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.