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

President Duane Teter called the regular meeting of the Southwest Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:33 p.m. on November 11, 2013 at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.  

Present: Tom Sughroue, Steve McConville, Kevin Potthoff, Steve Daffer, Ondrea McConville, Duane Teter, Principals Matt Springer and Lynda Baumbach, Superintendent Todd Porter, and Patricia Smith.  

Absent: None.  

Visitors: Mary Marsh, Cody Gerlach, Linda Clark, Mary Shirkey, and Don and Donna Behnke.  

President Teter observed Open Meeting Law requirements.  

Moved by S. McConville, seconded by Sughroue, to approve the board meeting agenda as presented.  

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.  

Superintendent Porter reviewed the honors and awards of elementary and junior-senior high students during the past month.  

Moved by Daffer, seconded by O. McConville, to approve the October 14, 2013 board meeting minutes as presented.  

Moved by Sughroue, seconded by Potthoff, to approve the claims as presented.  

The treasurer’s report was presented to the Board.  

Moved by Potthoff, seconded by Daffer, to approve the bid from Cleary Building Corporation in the amount of $99,978.00 to erect a football concession/restroom and approve the down payment of 20% upon signing of the contract.  

Moved by O. McConville, seconded by Sughroue, to approve the negotiated agreement with the Southwest Teachers Association for the 2014-2015 school year as presented.  

Moved by S. McConville, seconded by Daffer, to approve the dismissal of classes for students on Wednesday, December 4, 2013 to accommodate hosting the District C2-5 Play Production Contest at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School.  The elementary staff will be involved in a data analysis inservice.  

Moved by S. McConville, seconded by Potthoff, to approve revised Board Policy 4032 Professional Growth.  

Moved by Sughroue, seconded by S. McConville, to approve the transferring of funds from Class of 2012 Activity Fund Account 4046 and Class of 2013 Activity Fund Account 4047 to Board of Education Activity
Moved by O. McConville, seconded by Daffer, to approve the transfer of ownership of the Lorette Berg Memorial Scholarship C.D. 9008793 and the Claudia Hatcher Dole Builders C.D. 9008315 from the Southwest Public Schools to the Southwest Schools Foundation. Ayes: Daffer, Sughroue, S. McConville, Teter, O. McConville, and Potthoff. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Daffer, seconded by O. McConville, to approve the 2012-2013 audit as submitted by Bentley & Kisker, PC. Ayes: Daffer, Sughroue, S. McConville, Teter, O. McConville, and Potthoff. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Board discussed and approved teacherage maintenance issues including the replacement of garage doors, installation of floor tile, and repair and painting of interior walls.

Superintendent Porter has advertised for an elementary principal for the 2014-2015 school year and attended an health insurance update meeting. He has registered for an EHA Wellness Training Meeting in Kearney and plans to attend the State Education Conference in La Vista with Board members Ondrea McConville and Steve Daffer. Kearney Glass will visit the junior-senior high building to discuss the possible tinting of the commons windows. Mr. Porter is working to plan a goal planning workshop.

Principal Springer reported on the FFA National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky and National Degrees awarded to three Southwest graduates, the Veterans Day program, termination of a bus route, and MAPS and NeSA training.

Principal Baumbach discussed the elementary participation in the Veterans Day Program, Grade 6 leadership, recent activities, purchase of the IXL Language Arts software license, November 18 MAPS inservice, restroom project, review of substitute teacher pay, and appreciation of replacement of the lighting fixtures.

Moved by Potthoff, seconded by Daffer, to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 p.m. Ayes: Daffer, Sughroue, 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, December 9, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. at the Southwest Elementary School in Indianola.