

Board of Education Meeting
Southwest Public Schools
District 179
November 14, 2022

President Teter called the regular meeting of the Southwest Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:34 p.m. on November 14, 2022 at the Southwest Jr/Sr High School in Bartley.

Present: Jennifer McConville, Jason Klopping, Jason Neseth, Duane Teter, John O'Dea, Superintendent Todd Porter, and Natalie Meyers.

Absent: Brooke Brooks

Visitors: Gail Rippe

President Teter observed Open Meeting Law requirements.

Moved by O'Dea, seconded by Klopping, to excuse absent board members Brooke Brooks. Ayes: Klopping, Neseth, McConville, Teter, and O'Dea. Nays: None. Absent: Brooks. Motion carried.

Moved by O'Dea, seconded by McConville, to approve the board meeting agenda as presented. Ayes: McConville, Klopping, Neseth, Teter, and O'Dea. Nays: None. Absent: Brooks. Motion carried.

Notices of the meeting were posted at the Adams Bank and Trust in Indianola, the Stockmens Bank Bartley Branch, Post Offices in Bartley and Indianola, Southwest Elementary School in Indianola, Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley, and published in the Valley Voice newspaper and on the school website. Notice of the meeting was given in advance to all members prior to the meeting date.

Moved by Neseth, seconded by Klopping, to approve the minutes of the October 2022 meetings as presented. Ayes: Klopping, Neseth, Teter, and O'Dea. Nays: None. Abstain: McConville. Absent: Brooks. Motion carried.

Moved by O'Dea, seconded by McConville, to approve the claims as presented. Ayes: McConville, Neseth, Teter, O'Dea, and Klopping. Nays: None. Absent: Brooks. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was presented to the Board.

Item #1, discuss and take appropriate action on the Negotiations progress, was tabled to be discussed in executive session at the end of the meeting.

Moved by McConville, seconded by Neseth, to approve a staff Christmas gathering, date to be determined. Ayes: Neseth, Klopping, Teter, and McConville. Nays: O'Dea. Absent: Brooks. Motion carried.

Moved by Klopping, seconded by O'Dea, to approve the Superintendent's Evaluations. Ayes: McConville, Neseth, Teter, O'Dea, and Klopping. Nays: None. Absent: Brooks. Motion carried.

Superintendent Porter reported the annual AFR report has been uploaded to the NDE per our School Auditors. The Safety and insurance auditor came to evaluate both schools. There are a few items he addressed that he recommended to change such as conducting more frequent safety meetings. We are sending staff members to a training this month to become more familiar with the safety protocols for schools. Our fall activities have wrapped up and Mr. Porter stated how successful all activities were this fall. Winter activities will be starting soon in full swing. He reported the Veteran's Day program was on Friday, November 11th and he felt it was a great success and congratulated all those involved on a job well done.

President Teter moved to go into executive session at 8:10 p.m. to discuss item #1.

The board adjourned executive session at 8:34 p.m. No action was taken.

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 12, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. at the Southwest Jr/Sr High School in Bartley.

Moved by McConville, seconded by Klopping, to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m. Ayes: McConville, Neseth, Teter, O'Dea, and Klopping. Nays: None. Absent: Brooks. Motion carried.