

Board of Education Meeting  
Southwest Public Schools  
District 179  
October 10, 2016

President Duane Teter called the regular meeting of the Southwest Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:33 p.m. on October 10, 2016 at the Southwest Elementary School in Indianola.

Present: Ondrea McConville, Jenni McConville, Steve Daffer, Duane Teter, John O'Dea, Principals Kathy Latta and Matt Springer, Superintendent Todd Porter, and Natalie Meyers.

Absent: Lynda Baumbach

Visitors: Don and Donna Behnke, Howard Kester, Jody Hyke, Tobin Buchanan, Jolene Miller, Jason Kloepping, Dallas Watkins, and Marc Munford

President Teter observed Open Meeting Law requirements.

Moved by O. McConville, seconded by S. Daffer, to excuse absent Board Member Lynda Baumbach Ayes: S. Daffer, J. McConville, O. McConville, O'Dea, Teter. Nays: None. Absent: L. Baumbach. Motion carried.

Moved by J. O'Dea, seconded by J. McConville, to approve the board meeting agenda as presented. Ayes: O. McConville, J. McConville, Teter, O' Dea, and Daffer. Nays: None. Absent: Baumbach. 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.

The high school's two stock market game teams are ranked 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> out of 209 teams in the state. FFA donated over 200 individually wrapped beef sticks to the Backpack program at the Elementary. Two FFA members received FFA Jackets from the Nebraska FFA Foundation. The Plant and Soils Science Class qualified for the State Land Judging Contest. Two Elementary music students were selected for Singing Around Nebraska.

Moved by J. O'Dea, seconded by S. Daffer, to approve the minutes of the September 12th, 2016 board meeting. Ayes: Teter, Daffer, O. McConville, O'Dea and J. McConville. Nays: None. Absent: Baumbach. Motion carried.

Moved by S. Daffer, seconded by J. McConville, to approve the claims as presented. Ayes: J. McConville, Daffer, O'Dea, Teter, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Absent: Baumbach Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was presented to the Board.

Tobin Buchanan from First National Capital Markets presented his options and benefits of refunding to the board. No action was taken.

President Teter reviewed New Business Action Item 3, the Superintendent's Evaluation and Contract. Board members were instructed to complete the evaluation and return to President Teter as soon as possible.

Moved by S. Daffer, seconded by J. O'Dea, to recognize the Southwest Teachers' Association as the bargaining agent for the district's non-supervisory certificated staff for the 2018-2019. Ayes: J. McConville, Daffer, O'Dea, Teter, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Absent: Baumbach Motion carried.

Moved by S. Daffer, seconded by J. O'Dea, to approve the bid from Dell in the amount of \$27,420.98 for 90 chrome books for grades 3 through 6 at the Elementary School. Ayes: J. McConville, Daffer, O'Dea, Teter, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Absent: Baumbach Motion carried.

Moved by J. O'Dea, seconded by J. McConville, to approve the bid from Martin Roofing in the amount of \$16,250.00 for the replacement of Elementary School Soffit. Ayes: J. McConville, Daffer, O'Dea, Teter, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Absent: Baumbach Motion carried.

Due to a lack of acceptable concrete bids, the purposed practice track bids were tabled until the special board meeting on Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 8:00 p.m. at Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley. Solicitation of concrete bids will be accepted until Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.

Dallas Watkins and Marc Munford Presented their options and benefits for bond refunding from Ameritas Investment Corp.

Moved by J. O'Dea, seconded by S. Daffer, to approve bond refunding by Ameritas Investment Corp. Ayes: J. McConville, Daffer, O'Dea, Teter, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Absent: Baumbach Motion carried.

Superintendent Porter reported on school law update and new technology in public schools. Presented the new adjusted valuation for all school districts.

Principal Latta reported that multiple teachers are participating in staff development this month. Awards Assembly on October 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. for NESAs Scores in the auditorium at the high school.

Principal Springer reported on the open house for Jr/Sr High on October 26<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with a meal provided. Parents and Patrons are welcome. Attending a human trafficking clinic in November and 8<sup>th</sup> graders have been allowed to take computers home.

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, November 14, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.

There will be a special board meeting on Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016, at 8:00 p.m. at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley to discuss and take action on the purposed practice track concrete bids and to discuss possible action on moving forward with proposed practice track project.

Moved by J. McConville, seconded by J. O'Dea, to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 p.m. Ayes: J. McConville, Daffer, Teter, O'Dea, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Absent: Baumbach Motion carried.