

MINUTES
SCHOOL BOARD, DISTRICT #2342
WEST CENTRAL AREA SECONDARY SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER
April 17, 2019

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Sabolik. Members present per roll call: Sabolik, Christenson, Grosz, Beuckens, Nessman, and Strunk. Members Absent: Ulrich Administration present: Schmidt, and Powers. Administration Absent: Prasch, Vincent, Moerke, Foslien, Amundson, and McNamara

Visitors: Maren Biss, Chris Ray, and Mike Bengston

Motion by Nessman, seconded by Beuckens to adopt the agenda as written. MCU

Motion by Beuckens, seconded by Nessman, to approve the minutes of the regular school board meeting held on March 20, 2019. MCU

Motion by Strunk seconded by Nessman, to approve the payment of claims in the amount of \$764,261.13. MCU

Good Things Happening at WCA include Nathan Lewis tied 19th for state speech out of 336 students. Six students from WCA were selected among students from 80 different schools to participate in the Northwest Minnesota Band Directors Association (MBDA) Honor Bands on Saturday, April 13.

Mr. Schmidt reported bids for heat pump project are due 04/25 by 2 pm. Bids will be opened at that time.

Ms. Beuckens reported for the Public and Engagement Committee. May 3rd is Education Banquet, May 9th is the retirement breakfast, teacher appreciation week is the first week in May. We are going to continue to send out the Community Chronicle newsletter to our ambassadors. We also talked about branding the knight's logo and what our official logo should be for staff, sports and district.

Technology Coordinator: (Kevin McNamara) – Mr. Schmidt reported that testing season is here and so far everything is going well. MTAS(Math, Reading, and Science) are April 1-May 3rd, MCA (Reading & Math) are April 15- May 3rd, ACT April 24th, and MCA (Science) April 29th - May 10th.

Community Education: (Naomi Moerke) – Mr. Schmidt reported that AARP class in Hoffman on May 14th from 1-5 pm. Wrap Around prices for the fall are \$145 for a child not registered in our programs, \$127 for a 3-year-old in our programs, and \$87 for a 4-year-old in our programs. Children must be contracted for a full week, and they are able to come and go as need be. Preschool registration will be open on Monday, April 29th. Summer Rec brochures will be handed out this week.

Activities Director: (Jacob Foslien) – Mr. Schmidt reported the winter sports/activity participation numbers wrestling 30, One Act Play 16, Speech 47, Boys Basketball 33, Girls Basketball 48 and for spring sport/activities: softball 38, baseball 46, girls golf 11, boys golf 21, and track 57. Fishing league registration is Thursday, April 18, small group music contest rescheduled for April 24 and Mock Car Crash at Secondary May 8th.

Buildings & Grounds Director: – (Pete Amundson) Mr. Schmidt reported there will be a pre-bid meeting and walkthrough April 18th for heat pump replacement project, a recommendation for Go Green for lawn care at North & Secondary. Custodian interviews will be next week, playground walkthrough next week, ball fields are still wet and we will be testing epoxy grout in the servery tomorrow evening. Also, Mr. Schmidt reported that as temps staying warmer at night we are starting to shut the boilers down over the weekends.

Elementary School Principal: (Natalie Prasch) – Mr. Schmidt reported they have begun MCA testing for this year at both schools. The annual Elementary Carnival is going to be held on April 25th in Barrett. After school today we have a presentation from Saxon Math. Saxon is one of our top two choices for new math resources. We would like to congratulate the South Elementary 4th graders on their graduation from the DARE program. The ceremony was held last evening at South.

Secondary School Principal: (Claire Vincent) - None

Business Manager: (Diane Powers) - Ms. Powers reported we have received health insurance bids from 4 providers. Also, Ms. Powers reported that we have been awarded the MDE 2019 School Finance Award. Ms. Powers reported that there is a reduction in Title I funding of 15% and Title II funding of 10%.

Superintendent: (Barry Schmidt) - Mr. Schmidt reported that we are hiring for the following positions: Elementary and Choir teacher at Secondary; Kindergarten and reading interventionist for the elementary school. School Perceptions will be sending the staff survey out around the 24th and are still working on the community survey. We are looking to update the facility use policy in the near future. We have missed 9 days with students this year; we have made up 4 days with students and staff, the staff has made up 7 of the 9 days; we forgave 2 days as we do not have any more time to schedule makeup days; the board will approve the revised calendar in May.

Motion by Nessman, seconded by Beuckens to approve the following general consent items: Granting tenure for Austin Hanson, Kari Bentrup, Kaye Buck, Blair Elliott, Megan McDonald, Kathleen Sommers, Britta Allen, and Claire VanBlarcom and 2019-2020 Capital Outlay Expenditures up to \$190,000, accept donation from Wendell Lions of \$250 for water bottle filler at North, approve the resignation of the following: Kristi Miller as Choir Teacher and Amy Linn as Volleyball Coach. MCU

Motion by Beuckens, seconded by Grosz to approve the following unfinished business: MCU

1. Final reading of the following policies:
 - a. Policy #514 - Bullying Prohibition Policy
 - b. Policy #522 - Student Sex Nondiscrimination
 - c. Policy #522 Form - Student Sex Nondiscrimination Form
 - d. Policy #524 - Internet Acceptable Use & Safety Policy
 - e. Policy #524 Form - Internet Acceptable Use & Safety Policy Form
 - f. Policy #301 - School District Administration
 - g. Policy #302 - Superintendent

New Business:

Motion by Grosz, seconded by Christenson to approve the bid from GroGreen for 2019 & 2020 Lawn Care. MCU

Motion by Grosz, seconded by Nessman to approve Kari Kreft for the Community relations/Instructional Coach position. MCU

Motion by Nessman, seconded by Christenson to approve the Heartland Orthopedic three year contract of \$9500, \$9800, & \$10,000. MCU

1. First Reading of the following policies:
 - a. Policy #303 - Superintendent Selection
 - b. Policy #304 - Superintendent Contract, Duties, and Evaluation
 - c. Policy #305 - Policy Implementation
 - d. Policy #306 - Administrator Code of Ethics
 - e. Policy #701 - Establishment & Adoption of School
 - f. Policy #701.1 - Modification of School District Budget

Motion by Nessman, seconded by Grosz, to adjourn. MCU

Michelle Nessman
Clerk