



Schuyler Community Schools  
Board of Education Regular Meeting  
Monday, March 14, 2016 6:30 PM  
Schuyler Central High School Music Room  
401 Adam Street  
Schuyler, NE 68661-2400

#### I. Call Meeting to Order

**Discussion:** President Brabec called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Board members present were Semerad, Vavricek, Cerny, Hild, and Brabec; Misek was absent. Others present at the meeting were Principals Comley, Grammer, Reinsch and Burton, Assistant Principal Kovar, Director Gibbons and Superintendent Hoelsing.

#### I.A. Pledge of Allegiance

**Discussion:** All present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### I.B. Declaration of Open Meeting

**Discussion:** President Brabec stated that notice of this meeting was given in advance to the public and all members of the School Board. The meeting was declared to be an open session.

#### II. Approval of Consent Agenda

##### II.A. Agenda

##### II.B. Minutes

##### II.C. Acceptance of Claims

##### II.C.1. Bills of \$5,000 or more

##### II.D. Financial

##### II.E. Other Listed Reports

#### III. Public Forum - We ask that all presentation be limited in their length.

##### III.A. Recognition of visitors and guests

##### III.B. Other topics (limited to 5 minutes - subject to guidelines of the Board Participation Policy)

##### III.C. Student Representative's Report

#### IV. Action Items

##### IV.A. Americanism: Curriculum, Assessment, and Instructional Programs

##### IV.A.1. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve marching band uniform replacement.

**Discussion:** The current uniforms the band members are wearing are fifteen years old. The band uniforms will be placed on a rotation schedule along with all other school uniforms.

IV.A.2. Consider, discuss and take action to approve the 2016-17 Special Education Contract with ESU 7.

**Discussion:** The contract for 16-17 was expanded by half a position. Dr. Hoelsing pointed out that this is money well spent because the most effective time to address a disability is at a young age.

IV.A.3. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve the 2016 textbook replacement and curriculum updates.

**Discussion:** The final plan for textbook purchases for 16-17 is still being finalized but the total purchase price will be below budget and will follow the textbook replacement cycle.

#### IV.B. Building, Grounds, and Transportation

IV.B.1. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve 2016 transportation replacement plan.

**Discussion:** Vehicles scheduled to be replaced in 16-17 will follow the vehicle rotation schedule. The van equipped with the wheelchair lift will be moved to SMS.

IV.B.2. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve 2016 summer building and grounds plan.

**Discussion:** The largest expense for the 16-17 budget is tuck-pointing the Schuyler Preschool. A proposal is in the works for landscaping at the Preschool. The total plan for the 16-17 Building and Grounds update is under what was budgeted.

#### IV.C. Governance: Public Relations, Technology, and Planning

IV.C.1. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve 2016 technology replacement plan.

**Discussion:** The bandwidth for the city schools was increased in 15-16 but that significantly decreased the bandwidth available for the rural schools. A new plan from the ESU7 is being investigated to remedy that problem for 16-17. All SCS copiers are now included in the technology budget. Some iPads are past the point where they can be repaired so they are being taken out of service.

IV.C.2. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve the 2016-17 School Calendar.

**Discussion:** The adopted calendar approved all requests from the SEA (minus two requests that were dropped.)

#### IV.D. Budget, finance, negotiations, and personnel

IV.D.1. Consider, discuss, and take action to accept staff resignations.

IV.D.2. Consider discuss and take action to approve early retirement application

IV.D.3. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve new hire recommendations for 2016-17 school year.

IV.D.4. Consider, discuss, and take action to set program coordinators salaries for 2016-17

#### V. Discussion Items and Reports

##### V.A. Principals Reports

**Discussion:** Kindergarten enrollment packets have been sent out. Preschool round-up is currently underway for 16-17. Anticipated enrollment for the rural schools for 16-17 is 34 for Richland #1 and 77 for Fishers #24. SMS is anticipating an enrollment increase from 377 in 15-16 to 408 in 16-17. The TEAMS group (Tests of Engineering, Aptitudes, Mathematics, and Science) finished

first at the Engineering competition held on February 17th at Wayne State College. The John Baylor ACT Prep program has been implemented for all SCHS students. The current offering is full so a second class will be offered to those on the waiting list.

#### V.B. Directors Reports

**Discussion:** Teachers from SMS visited SCHS and SES to observe classroom procedure. Participation in the Warrior Academy after school clubs has increased for term four. The suggestion was made to include Warrior Academy offerings on the SCS webpage. Nine summer schools will be offered beginning May 25th thru July 22nd.

#### V.C. Superintendent's Report

#### V.D. Board Member/Committee Reports

**Discussion:** Discussion regarding students who option out of the district and the laws governing this action. The SCS Foundation will begin aligning their goals with the SCS Strategic Plan.

#### VI. Correspondence Items

#### VII. Adjournment

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