



Schuyler Community Schools
Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, June 12, 2017 6:30 PM
Schuyler Central High School Music Room
401 Adam Street
Schuyler, NE 68661-2400

I. Parent Involvement Hearing

Discussion:

The Parent Involvement Hearing was opened at 6:30 PM. This annual hearing is required to be held.

The focus of parental involvement is to further parent participation at all levels through open-houses, parent-teacher conferences, and parent education.

The hearing was closed at 6:35 PM

II. Student Fees Hearing

Discussion: The Student Fees Hearing was opened at 6:35 PM. This annual hearing is required. Student fees collected in the 2016-17 school year were \$30,000; fees totaling \$3,600 were waived. To receive a fee waiver, a family must fill out a waiver form for an individual fee. All fees must be approved by an administrator prior to issuance. The hearing closed at 6:45 PM.

III. Call Meeting to Order

Discussion: The meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM. Board members present were Brabec, Semerad, Vavricek, Hild, and Misek; Hernandez was absent. Also present were Superintendent Hoelsing and Principal Grammer. The SCS Mission Statement was read. This meeting was preceded by advance notice and declared to be in open session.

III.A. Pledge of Allegiance

Discussion: All present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III.B. Declaration of Open Meeting

IV. Approval of Consent Agenda

IV.A. Agenda

IV.B. Minutes

IV.C. Acceptance of Claims

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

IV.D. Financial

IV.E. Other Listed Reports

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

V.A. Recognition of visitors and guests

Discussion: Representatives from the ESU7 were Joyce Baumert, Mark Brady and Darus Metler. They provided several hand-outs to the school board members and gave a brief overview of the services they offer to school districts.

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

VI. Action Items

VI.A. Board Policy, Handbooks, and Support Programs

VI.A.1. Consider, discuss, and take action to reaffirm the parent involvement policy for the 2017-2018 school year.

VI.A.2. Consider, discuss, and take action to accept the 2016-2017 student fees report and reaffirm the student fees policy for the 2017-2018 school year.

Discussion: Student activity badge fees and fees for use of the field house are being discussed with a decision to be delivered at the July meeting.

VI.A.3. Consider, discuss, and take action to reaffirm the bullying and harassment policy for the 2017-2018 school year.

Discussion: Teachers are required to document and report any bullying or harassment to an administrator and administrators are required to take appropriate action.

VI.A.4. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve administrative recommendations on 2017-2018 handbook changes.

Discussion: Several changes have been made including the plan to offer Algebra I and Physical Science in grade 8 for high school credit. In order to allow school board members to study the changes more closely, the recommendation was made to table this action to the July meeting.

VI.B. Budget, finance, negotiations, and personnel

VI.B.1. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve 2017-2018 school breakfast and lunch prices.

VI.B.2. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve staff resignations

VI.B.3. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve new hire recommendations for the 2017-18 school year.

Discussion: The following were hired effective the 17-18 school year: Kindergarten, Rachel DeWit; High School Business, Thomas Nelson; Para-Educators Vanessa Stanek and Natividad Marino; and Route Bus Driver, Eugene Barr.

VII. Discussion Items and Reports

VII.A. Program Report from ESU 7 Representatives

VII.B. Principal's Report

Discussion: A letter from the TOW Youth Justice Institute was shared. SCS Truancy Officer Pavel shared data with them detailing the reduction in truancy from school years 2013-2014 thru 2016-2017.

VII.C. Directors Reports

VII.D. Superintendent's Report

Discussion: In preparation for a \$1.3 million dollar reduction in State Aid, administration is cutting \$500,000 from the 2017-18 budget allowing it to remain at the 2016-17 level.

Board policy updates have been sent to the NASB for review and final recommendations.

During the next two months all buses will be moved to a new facility which is heated and contains 360 ft. of storage shelving that will allow us to have a central warehouse for custodial and school supplies. Excess items will be sold at auction, recycled, or disposed of.

VII.E. Board Member/Committee Reports

VIII. Correspondence Items

Discussion: A thank you was received from Lynnette Bathen.

IX. Adjournment

Prepared by: Sally Jakub, Secretary to the Board