



Schuyler Community Schools  
Board of Education Regular Meeting  
Monday, June 10, 2013 6:30 PM  
Schuyler Central High School Music Room  
401 Adam Street  
Schuyler, NE 68661-2400

#### I. Student Fees Hearing

**Discussion:** The Student Fees Hearing was opened at 6:30 PM. The purpose of the hearing was to discuss the increase of ten cents on the price of breakfasts and lunches during the 2013-2014 school year. The hearing closed at 6:35 PM

#### II. Call Meeting to Order

**Discussion:** Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM. Others present at the meeting were Superintendent Stevens, Principals Pavlik, Grammer, and Vrba and Curriculum Director Gibbons. The July meeting will be held the third Monday of the month-July 15th.

##### II.A. Pledge of Allegiance

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

##### II.B. Declaration of Open Meeting

**Discussion:** President Jedlicka read the Mission Statement and declared that the open meeting notice was posted and this meeting was posted by advance notice.

#### III. Approval of Consent Agenda

##### III.A. Agenda

##### III.B. Minutes

##### III.C. Acceptance of Claims

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

##### III.D. Financial

##### III.D.1. Purchase of Mini-bus

##### III.E. Other Listed Reports

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

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

**Discussion:** FFA President Kellan Heavican and FFA Reporter Austin Novak were present to display the trophy the FFA won at the KC Auto Show. FFA members restored a 1945 John Deere Model D tractor and won first place. Steve Bailey, on behalf of the Schuyler Chamber of Commerce, presented Superintendent Stevens with Chamber Bucks to thank him for his years of service to the community.

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

**Discussion:** Larry Wennkamp from the City of Schuyler Department of Utilities explained that the action levels of lead and copper in the drinking water at Fishers #24 School have risen due to the treatment to reduce the selenium level. Adjustments were made and the water was retested with samples taken on September 14, 2012, October 27, 2012, and February 15, 2013, and but the selenium level rose. His suggestion was to replace the copper pipe with Pex pipe.

#### IV.B.1. Executive Sessions

#### IV.B.2. Exit Executive Session

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

#### V. Board Requests/Reports

##### V.A. Americanism

##### V.B. Budget

V.B.1. Discuss, consider and take action technology purchases for 2013-2014 school year

V.B.2. Discuss, consider and take action on k-5 science textbooks for the 2013-2014 school year

V.B.3. Discuss, consider and take action on textbooks for Reading 180 (Systems 44; Expert 21) for grades 6-12 for 2013-2014 school year

V.B.4. Discuss, consider and take action on science instruction modules for grades 6-8 for the 2013-2014 school year

##### V.C. Building and Grounds

###### V.C.1. Preschool playground equipment

**Discussion:** The SCS Preschool was audited this past school year and some recommendations included removing the merry-go-rounds, adjusting the height of playground equipment, and moving chain-link fencing further away from the highways. The "climbing ladder" will also be advertised for sale due to it being too large for preschoolers. Preschool teachers would like to replace playground equipment that has been removed with age-appropriate equipment. One suggestion was to move the swings from 504R to the preschool location; maintenance staff will investigate this and report back to the school board at the July meeting.

###### V.C.2. Discuss, consider and take action on re-plumbing Fisher's 24

**Discussion:** The school board voted to accept the low bid of \$7181.90 from Howells Plumbing. Other bids received were Premium Controls-\$8356.30, and Wolfe Maintenance and Plumbing-\$9720.00. The SCS Maintenance Department will install the new faucets to reduce labor costs.

###### V.C.3. Discuss, consider and take action on the exterior repair for all modular classrooms

**Discussion:** A sum of \$99,823 has already been received from insurance claims to be put toward this repair job.

###### V.C.3.1. Motion to accept low bid

**Discussion:** Other bids received were JP Construction-\$116,845 and Schuyler Lumber-\$117,825 plus an additional \$4800 to replace shingles on the Alternative Education Building.

##### V.D. Curriculum

## V.E. Negotiations

### V.E.1. PTO reimbursement report

**Discussion:** This PTO reimbursement option was made available to every certified staff member who began the 2012-2013 year with fifty PTO days. Certified staff who did not use all of the PTO days were reimbursed for the remaining days for a total of 27 staff members totaling \$15,725.

## V.F. Planning

### V.G. Policy

#### V.G.1. Discuss, consider and take action on revisions and review of the board policy manual

**Discussion:** The administration went through the board policy manual to align it with the student handbooks.

#### V.G.2. Discuss, consider and take action on changes in the Student Fees policy

## V.H. Public Relations

### V.I. Foundation

#### V.I.1. Update

**Discussion:** Artistic rendering of the proposed fine arts center have been received. Dr. Dan Hoelsing, 2013-2014 SCS Superintendent was in attendance at the most recent meeting. A "Wall of Honor" for alumni was suggested. Also discussed was the most effective method to launch the fundraising campaign.

## VI. Administrative and Other Reports

### VI.A. Rural/Satellite Schools Report

VI.A.1. Discuss, consider and take action on Rural/Satellite Student/Parent Handbook for the 2013-2014 school year

### VI.B. Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment

**Discussion:** Mr. Gibbons shared a graph of NeSA writing test results from the 4th and 8th grade students. NeSA science, math and reading scores will be received in August.

#### VI.B.1. Science assessments

#### VI.B.2. Title I Update

### VI.C. Activities Administrator Report

VI.C.1. Discuss, consider and take action on the Activity Handbook for the 2013-2014 school year

### VI.D. Director of Facilities/Transportation Report

### VI.E. Schuyler Elementary School Report

VI.E.1. Discuss, consider and take action on the Schuyler Elementary Schools Student/Parent Handbook for the 2013-2014 school year

### VI.F. Schuyler Middle School Report

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VI.G. Schuyler Central High School Report

VI.G.1. Discuss, consider and take action on the Schuyler Central High School Student/Parent Handbook for the 2013-2014 school year

VI.G.2. Teacher evaluation handbook

**Discussion:** Motion made by Jedlicka; the motion died due to a lack of a second. Principal Pavlik said that this can be acted on in the fall of the upcoming school year.

VI.H. Superintendent's Report

VI.H.1. Discuss, consider and take action on the 2013-2014 certified staff handbook

VI.H.2. Discuss, consider and take action on the 2013-2014 support staff handbook

VI.H.3. Discuss, consider and take action on new hires for the 2013-2014 school year

VI.H.4. Discuss, consider and take action on increasing food service meals for the 2013-2014 school year by 10 cents per meal Student: Breakfast - from \$1.50 to \$1.60 Lunch - from \$2.25 to \$2.35 Adult: Breakfast - from \$2.25 to \$2.35 Lunch - from \$3.25 to

**Discussion:** 2013-2014 school year increase by 10 cents per meal Student: Breakfast - from \$1.50 to \$1.60 Lunch - from \$2.25 to \$2.35 Adult: Breakfast - from \$2.25 to \$2.35 Lunch - from \$3.25 to

VI.H.4.1. Summer Lunch Program

VI.H.5. Options and Transfers

VI.H.6. Support Staff Evaluation Update

**Discussion:** Superintendent Stevens has completed evaluation for support staff in his office.

VI.H.7. Discuss, consider and take action on a resignation

VI.H.8. Transportation reimbursement report

**Discussion:** Transportation reimbursement to SCS families for the 2012-2013 school year totaled \$25,423.

VII. Correspondence Items

VIII. Executive Session

VIII.A. Exit Executive Session

IX. Adjournment

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