



Schuyler Community Schools  
Board of Education Regular Meeting  
Monday, February 9, 2015 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. Board members present: Misek, Vavricek, Semerad, Hild, Brabec; Board member absent: Cerny. Also present were Superintendent Hoelsing, Student Council Representative Rosbin Ravanales, Principals Vrba, Reinsch, Pavlik, Burton, and Comley; Assistant Principal Kovar; Activity Administrator Egr; and Programs Director Grammer. President Brabec read the District Mission Statement.

#### I.A. Pledge of Allegiance

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

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

**Discussion:** President Brabec stated the meeting was preceded by advance notice and was declared to be in 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 the Contract with ESU 7 for Level I, II, and III Special Education Services for the 2015-16 school year.

**Discussion:** The contract from the ESU for the 2015-2106 school is provided to schools in

advance so the ESU can plan for sufficient personnel in the upcoming year. Three levels of service are provided.

#### IV.B. Board Policy, Regulations, and Support Programs

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

IV.C.1. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve the bid on the preschool emergency exit stair tower project.

**Discussion:** The Building and Grounds Committee met to open bids for the SCS Preschool fire escape. Bids ranged from approximately \$120,000-\$150,000. The committee recommends that the design be reviewed and simplified with different materials to be used. The Fire Marshall will have to approve any new designs. A new design should be ready for the March meeting.

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

IV.D.1. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve NASB membership renewal for the 2015-16 school year.

IV.D.2. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve the 2015 Strategic Planning Goals as presented.

#### IV.E. Budget, Finance, Negotiations, and Personnel

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

IV.E.2. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve principal, director, and coordinator contracts for the 2015-16 school year.

**Discussion:** Discussion of new positions and realignments will take place before salaries and benefits are decided.

#### V. Discussion Items and Reports

V.A. Discuss upcoming committee meeting dates and times.

**Discussion:** Superintendent Hoelsing urged board members to become familiar with the responsibilities of their individual committees in order to make informed decisions. Each committee needs to meet at least once before the March school board meeting.

#### V.B. Principals' Reports

**Discussion:** MAPs Testing: All of the Kindergarten, First, and Second Grade students have completed the winter testing component. 4th and 8th graders took their NeSA writing test on January 28th and 29th. Summer school planning has also begun. On Sunday, January 18th the SCHS National Honor Society inducted 31 new members to the chapter. The Junior class took the NeSA writing assessment on Wednesday January 21st. The English Language Development Assessment (ELDA) window opens on February 9th and assessment begins on February 10th.

#### V.C. Directors' Reports

**Discussion:** The 21st Century Grant Ktg-8th After School Program has a total 185 students at SES and 45 students at SMS for a total of 230. Discovery Education - January 13th & 14th the SMS staff had training on maximizing student engagement. January 20th the SMS Administrative team will have a leadership training from Discovery Education. On February 4th-

6th will be the third set of DE Benchmark assessments. Spring athletic practices begin March 2, 2015.

#### V.D. Superintendent's Report

**Discussion:** Four applications for ERIP (Early Retirement Incentive Program) have been submitted for review by the negotiations committee. Staff has until March 1st to submit their requests. The 2014 Water Report for Rural Schools was performed on 4-R, Richland School #1, and Fishers #24. Levels of coliform, E.coli, arsenic, nitrate, synthetic organic chemicals, and inorganic contaminants were measured with each site coming back within or below the limits set for safe drinking water.

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

**Discussion:** The SCS Foundation will host the Chamber After-Hours on 2/26/15. An attorney is working to update the Articles of Incorporation and the Foundation Bylaws. Updates should be available by the March board meeting.

#### VI. Correspondence Items

**Discussion:** A thank you was received from Don and Betty Bohaty in appreciation of the Strategic Planning meeting that was held at the Schuyler Senior Center.

#### VII. Adjournment

Prepared by: Sally Jakub, Secretary to the Board