

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, February 11, 2019 7:00 PM Central

HS CONFERENCE ROOM
705 N 9th St
Arlington, Nebraska 68002

Jason Arp: Present
Matt O'Daniel: Present
Bruce Scheer: Present
Jessi Scheer: Absent
Janet Warner: Present
Shanon Willmott: Present
Present: 5, Absent: 1.

1. OPENING PROCEDURES

1.1. Call Meeting to Order

Matt O'Daniel called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1.2. Roll Call

Motion to approve Jessie Scheer as excused absence. Passed with a motion by Bruce Scheer and a second by Janet Warner.

Jason Arp: Yea, Matt O'Daniel: Yea, Bruce Scheer: Yea, Janet Warner: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

Jessica Scheer was absent and excused.

Board members present were Matt O'Daniel, Shanon Willmott, Bruce Scheer, Janet Warner, and Jason Arp. Also present were Superintendent Lynn Johnson, High School Principal Aaron Pfungsten, High School Athletic Director James Shada, Elementary Principal Jacqueline Morgan, and recording secretary Jenny Hansen.

1.3. Pledge of Allegiance

1.4. Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda

Motion to approve the regular meeting agenda as presented. Passed with a motion by Bruce Scheer and a second by Matt O'Daniel.

Jason Arp: Yea, Matt O'Daniel: Yea, Bruce Scheer: Yea, Janet Warner: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

2. WELCOME TO GUESTS AND PUBLIC FORUM

No patrons spoke at tonight's meeting.

3. CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION REPORTS

Teachers were not present to report to the board due to the weather. The board reviewed the curriculum reports as presented and did not have any follow-up questions.

3.1. Family Consumer Science Report

3.2. 5th/6th Grade Report

3.3. NSCAS Student Performance Report

Mrs. Johnson and the principals commented on the NSCAS and other assessments and how that affects our instruction. In regards to new testing, our district did not see a drop in our results and we believe this is a good sign that our teaching objectives are on target.

4. PRINCIPALS' REPORTS

4.1. Mr. Pfingsten's Report

Mr. Pfingsten updated the board on course offerings for next year, February 20-21 will be the electives fair including new STEM classes, the UNO economics and accounting day, the Elemental and Butler Ag learning trip, and that our student Travis Warner won a t-shirt design for Friday Night Lights Buckle Up.

4.2. Mrs. Morgan's Report

Mrs. Morgan spoke on the spelling bee, the 6th grade business experience which pays for their spring field trip, the band trip to the symphony, and the Battle of the Books competition.

4.3. Mr. Shada's Report

Mr. Shada reported on the completion of Quiz Bowl, State Skills USA coming up, athlete of the week interviews, Band Soup Supper rescheduled for Monday, February 18th, Coaches vs Cancer, and basketball, wrestling, and swimming updates.

5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

5.1. Staffing Update

Mrs. Johnson updated the board on the staffing changes which includes the resignations of Julie Fritz and Kevin Capron and the hiring of Jocelyn Gerrish, Amanda Hager, and Madison Egr. We are currently understaffed by one elementary para.

6. COMMITTEE AND REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

6.1. Americanism/Education Evaluation

6.2. Buildings and Grounds Committee

6.3. Finance Committee

6.4. Negotiations Committee

6.5. Professional Development Sharing

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7.1. Discuss, Consider and Take Necessary Action to adopt a policy that prohibits board members from being an employee or applying for employment with the district.

Motion to adopt Policy 4135 Prohibition of Employment of Board Members on second reading as presented Passed with a motion by Bruce Scheer and a second by Matt O'Daniel.

Janet Warner: Abstain (With Conflict), Jason Arp: Yea, Matt O'Daniel: Yea, Bruce Scheer: Yea, Jessi Scheer: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1. Discuss, Consider and Take Necessary Action to approve the purchase of social studies curriculum material.

Motion to approve the purchase of social studies curriculum materials from Pearson for \$27,655.23; Houghton Mifflin Harcourt for \$64,286.72; and Gibbs Smith for \$1,229.58. Passed with a motion by Janet Warner and a second by Bruce Scheer.

Jason Arp: Yea, Matt O'Daniel: Yea, Bruce Scheer: Yea, Janet Warner: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

Mrs. Johnson informed the board of the proposed social studies and Spanish curriculum as presented.

8.2. Discuss, Consider and Take Necessary Action to approve the purchase of Spanish curriculum material.

Motion to approve the purchase of Spanish curriculum materials in the amount of \$20,270 from Vista Higher Learning Passed with a motion by Matt O'Daniel and a second by Bruce Scheer.

Jason Arp: Yea, Matt O'Daniel: Yea, Bruce Scheer: Yea, Janet Warner: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

8.3. Discuss, Consider and Take Necessary Action to approve the purchase of computers.

Motion to approve the buyout proposal for the 165 leased Lenovo computers in the amount of \$18,832. Passed with a motion by Bruce Scheer and a second by Shanon Willmott.

Jason Arp: Yea, Matt O'Daniel: Yea, Bruce Scheer: Yea, Janet Warner: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

The motion presented to purchase the computers currently on lease rather than starting a new three year lease as these are still in excellent condition and this would save the district money.

8.4. Discuss, Consider and Take Necessary Action to hire a new superintendent.

Motion to hire Dr. Dawn Lewis as superintendent for Arlington Public Schools Passed with a motion by Janet Warner and a second by Shanon Willmott.

Jason Arp: Yea, Matt O'Daniel: Yea, Bruce Scheer: Yea, Janet Warner: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

Matt O'Daniel shared that there were 45 applicants for this position which speaks well for our school, our district, our current superintendent, our principals, our board, and our community. We should all be proud.

8.5. Discuss, Consider and Take Necessary action to renew the contract of secondary principal.

Motion to approve administration contract renewal for Aaron Pfingsten for the 2019-20 school year for the position of secondary principal as presented Passed with a motion by Matt O'Daniel and a second by Janet Warner.

Jason Arp: Yea, Matt O'Daniel: Yea, Bruce Scheer: Yea, Janet Warner: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

8.6. Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action to renew the contract of elementary principal.

Motion to approve administration contract renewal for Jacquelyn Morgan for the 2019-2020 school year for the position of elementary principal as presented. Passed with a motion by Janet Warner and a second by Matt O'Daniel.

Jason Arp: Yea, Matt O'Daniel: Yea, Bruce Scheer: Yea, Janet Warner: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

Negotiation Chair Matt O'Daniel shared that the committee and board strives to position all categories of employees with competitive compensation as determined by comparative arrays to enable our district to attract and retain quality employees. The committee recommends these contracts as in line with that philosophy.

8.7. Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action to renew the contract of assistant principal/AD.

Motion to approve administration contract renewal for James Shada for the 2019-2020 school year for the position of assistant principal/AD as presented Passed with a motion by Janet Warner and a second by Jason Arp.

Jason Arp: Yea, Matt O'Daniel: Yea, Bruce Scheer: Yea, Janet Warner: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

8.8. Discuss and Review Policies 4150-4260.

The board discussed the policies as presented. They discussed possible changes to 4200 and 4250 which the board will review again next month after input from our attorney.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Passed with a motion by Bruce Scheer and a second by Shanon Willmott.

Jason Arp: Yea, Matt O'Daniel: Yea, Bruce Scheer: Yea, Janet Warner: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

9.1. Minutes of the Previous Board Meeting(s): January 14, 2019 Regular Meeting; January 31, 2019 Special Meeting; February 5, 2019 Special Meeting

9.2. Monthly Financial Reports

9.3. Accept Resignations: Kevin Capron and Julie Fritz

9.4. Hire Madison Egr, Elementary Teacher

Amanda Hager - Cafeteria

Jocelyn Gerrish - Elementary SPED Paraeducator

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

11. ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

12. ADJOURNMENT

Matt O'Daniel adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.