



Schuyler Community Schools
Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, June 21, 2010 6:30 PM
Schuyler Central High School Music Room
401 Adam Street
Schuyler, NE 68661-2400

Attendance Taken at 6:30 PM.

Virginia Semerad: Absent
Richard Brabec: Present
Jim Mejstrik: Present
Chuck Misek: Present
Mr. Clint Parr: Present
Larry Wennekamp: Present

Present: 5, Absent: 1.

I. Call Meeting to Order

Schuyler Community Schools in partnership with parents, students, and the community will challenge and inspire students to be lifelong learners - District Mission Statement

Notice of this meeting was given in advance according to State Law 84-1411, by giving notice of the meeting to the public. Notice of this meeting was also given in advance to all members of the Board of Education

The meeting was called to order by vice president Mejstrik at 6:30 PM. Others present were Superintendent Stevens, Director of K-8 Education DeBlauw, and Assistant Principal Cunningham.

I.A. Pledge of Allegiance

All present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

I.B. Declaration of Open Meeting

This meeting has been preceded by advance notice and is hereby declared to be in open session. A copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the hallway outside the Media Center. President Wennekamp declared the meeting was preceded by advance notice and declared to be an open session.

II. Approval of Consent Agenda

Discuss, Consider and Take Action on the consent agenda

. A motion was made by Parr and seconded by Misek to approve the agenda, minutes, acceptance of claims, financial, and other listed reports.

II.A. Agenda

II.B. Minutes

II.C. Acceptance of Claims

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)

IV. Board Requests/Reports

IV.A. Americanism

IV.B. Budget

IV.C. Building and Grounds

IV.C.1. Lawn sprinkler system at SES - update

Two bids were received for the underground sprinkler system with an optional drip-system at SES. A third-party, John Deere Landscaping prepared the specifications. The completion date for the project is August 2, 2010.

IV.C.2. Hard surface of the high school west parking lot

A plan to move forward to secure bids for the hard surfacing of the west parking lot was approved and the project will be completed in a four-year span.

IV.D. Curriculum

IV.D.1. Transportation/Automotive Update

Investigation continues on the best location to use for the Transportation/Automotive class for the 2010-2011 school year. Pros and cons involved the use of a lift, heating costs, monthly rent, the size of the building, and date of availability.

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IV.E. Negotiations

IV.F. Planning

IV.F.1. Overcrowding Discussion

A communication was received from the Nebraska Department of Education regarding the allocation of funds from Qualified School Construction Bonds. The allocation available for SCS is \$4, 586,620; the loan would be interest free. The decision to use this money for a new K-4 elementary school would be preceded by a minimum of three meetings to discuss the project; all meetings would be open to the public. If a bond issue would be brought before the taxpayers, information would need to be filed by September 1 at the Colfax County Courthouse.

IV.F.2. High School Entryway Addition/Renovation

Contracts have been signed and bids will be sought beginning July 1, 2010.

IV.G. Policy

IV.G.1. Proof of residency

. The proof-of-residency form has been revised to allow for homeless students, to allow a one-week time period to show three proofs of residency and to make clear that SCS is not requiring proof of documented status.

IV.G.2. Handbooks

The policy committee met to look at all suggested changes for student-parent handbooks in the SCS system.

IV.G.3. Dating violence

IV.G.4. Board policy update - need for meeting

The policy committee needs to set a date to meet to look at updates for the upcoming year.

IV.H. Public Relations

IV.I. Foundation

V. Action Items

V.A. Discuss, Consider and Take Action on Proof of Residency - Pollicy # 502.01

Motion to approve Proof Residency Policy - 502.01 - second reading Passed with a motion by Jim Mejstrik and a second by Richard Brabec.

Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Virginia Semerad: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to approve Proof Residency Policy - 502.01 - second reading Passed with a motion by Jim Mejstrik and a second by Richard Brabec.

Virginia Semerad: Absent, Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

V.B. Discuss, Consider and Take Action on a k-3 Student/Parent Handbook

Motion to approve the k-3 Student/Parent Handbook for the 2010-2011 school year. Passed with a motion by Mr. Clint Parr and a second by Chuck Misek.

Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Virginia Semerad: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to approve the k-3 Student/Parent Handbook for the 2010-2011 school year. Passed with a motion by Mr. Clint Parr and a second by Chuck Misek.

Virginia Semerad: Absent, Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

V.C. Discuss, Consider and Take Action on a 4-8 Student/Parent Handbook

Motion to approve the 4-8 Student/Parent Handbook for the 2010-2011 school year Passed with a motion by Jim Mejstrik and a second by Larry Wennekamp.

Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Virginia Semerad: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to approve the 4-8 Student/Parent Handbook for the 2010-2011 school year Passed with a motion by Jim Mejstrik and a second by Larry Wennekamp.

Virginia Semerad: Absent, Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

V.D. Discuss, Consider and Take Action on a 9-12 Student/Parent Handbook

Motion to approve the 9-12 Student/Parent Handbook for the 2010-2011 school year. Passed with a motion by Larry Wennekamp and a second by Chuck Misek.

Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Virginia Semerad: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to approve the 9-12 Student/Parent Handbook for the 2010-2011 school year. Passed with a motion by Larry Wennekamp and a second by Chuck Misek.

Virginia Semerad: Absent, Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

V.E. Discuss, Consider and Take Action on a Dating Violence Policy

Motion to approve the dating violence policy - second reading Passed with a motion by Richard Brabec and a second by Chuck Misek.

Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Virginia Semerad: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to approve the dating violence policy - second reading Passed with a motion by Richard Brabec and a second by Chuck Misek.

Virginia Semerad: Absent, Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

V.F. Discuss, Consider and Take Action on hiring a high school Physical Education Teacher

Motion to hire Jeremy Hlavac - high school physical education teacher - for the 2010-2011 school year. Passed with a motion by Mr. Clint Parr and a second by Richard Brabec.

Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Virginia Semerad: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to hire Jeremy Hlavac - high school physical education teacher - for the 2010-2011 school year. Passed with a motion by Mr. Clint Parr and a second by Richard Brabec.

Virginia Semerad: Absent, Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

V.G. Discuss, Consider and Take Action on hiring a high school Science Teacher

Motion to hire Rebecca Geiger - high school science teacher - for the 2010-2011 school year Passed with a motion by Chuck Misek and a second by Larry Wennekamp.

Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Virginia Semerad: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to hire Rebecca Geiger - high school science teacher - for the 2010-2011 school year Passed with a motion by Jim Mejstrik and a second by Larry Wennekamp.

Virginia Semerad: Absent, Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

V.H. Discuss, Consider and Take Action on hiring a 4-6 Literacy Coach

Motion to hire Brook Simonson - 4-6 literacy coach - for the 2010-2011 school year. Passed with a motion by Mr. Clint Parr and a second by Richard Brabec.

Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Virginia Semerad: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to hire Brook Simonson - 4-6 literacy coach - for the 2010-2011 school year. Passed with a motion by Mr. Clint Parr and a second by Richard Brabec.

Virginia Semerad: Absent, Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

V.I. Discuss, Consider and Take Action on hiring a 2nd grade teacher

Motion to hire Lisa Terrell - 2nd grade teacher - for the 2010-2011 school year Passed with a motion by Richard Brabec and a second by Jim Mejstrik.

Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Virginia Semerad: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to hire Lisa Terrell - 2nd grade teacher - for the 2010-2011 school year Passed with a motion by Richard Brabec and a second by Jim Mejstrik.

Virginia Semerad: Absent, Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

V.J. Discuss, Consider and Take Action on hiring a 3rd grade teacher

Motion to hire Rachel Woods - 3rd grade teacher - for the 2010-2011 school year. Passed with a motion by Larry Wennekamp and a second by Mr. Clint Parr.

Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Virginia Semerad: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to hire Rachel Woods - 3rd grade teacher - for the 2010-2011 school year. Passed with a motion by Larry Wennekamp and a second by Mr. Clint Parr.

Virginia Semerad: Absent, Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

V.K. Discuss, Consider and Take Action on hiring a 4th grade teacher

Motion to hire Adrian Svitak - 4th grade teacher - for the 2010-2011 school year. Passed with a motion by Mr. Clint Parr and a second by Jim Mejstrik.

Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Virginia Semerad: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to hire Adrian Svitak - 4th grade teacher - for the 2010-2011 school year. Passed with a motion by Mr. Clint Parr and a second by Jim Mejstrik.

Virginia Semerad: Absent, Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

V.L. Discuss, Consider and Take Action on hiring a 5th grade teacher

Motion to hire Beth Alt - 5th grade teacher - for the 2010-2011 school year. Passed with a motion by Richard Brabec and a second by Larry Wennekamp.

Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea, Mr. Clint Parr: Yea,
Virginia Semerad: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to hire Beth Alt - 5th grade teacher - for the 2010-2011 school year. Passed with a motion by Richard Brabec and a second by Larry Wennekamp.

Virginia Semerad: Absent, Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea,
Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

V.M. Discuss, Consider and Take Action on bills of \$5,000 or more

V.N. Discuss, Consider and Take Action on lawn sprinkler bids for SES

Motion to approve the lawn sprinkler bid for SES from Platte Valley Design Passed with a motion by Jim Mejstrik and a second by Larry Wennekamp.

Virginia Semerad: Absent, Chuck Misek: Nay, Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea,
Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 1, Absent: 1

Motion to approve the lawn sprinkler bid for SES from Platte Valley Design Passed with a motion by Jim Mejstrik and a second by Larry Wennekamp.

Virginia Semerad: Absent, Chuck Misek: Nay, Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea,
Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 1, Absent: 1

V.O. Discuss, Consider and Take Action on a transition kindergarten teacher

Motion to hire Rebecca Sanders - transition kindergarten teacher - for the 2010-2011 school year Passed with a motion by Larry Wennekamp and a second by Richard Brabec.

Virginia Semerad: Absent, Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea,
Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Motion to hire Rebecca Sanders - transition kindergarten teacher - for the 2010-2011 school year Passed with a motion by Larry Wennekamp and a second by Richard Brabec.

Virginia Semerad: Absent, Richard Brabec: Yea, Jim Mejstrik: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea,
Mr. Clint Parr: Yea, Larry Wennekamp: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VI. Administrative and Other Reports

VI.A. Operating Council Report(s)

VI.B. PreK-8 Director of Education Report

– Director of K-8 Education DeBlauw reported that the annual school census for 2010 is in progress including all the age groups 0 to 21. All staff has been hired for the 2010-2011 school year pending an additional kindergarten teacher if enrollment deems it necessary.

VI.C. High School Principal Report

VI.D. Director of Facilities/Transportation Report

VI.E. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Stevens reported that six staff members have requested curriculum development/program improvement dollars. Each request has been approved by the Principal Baumert. Only three students are enrolled for preschool at District 1 at Richland so the decision to continue this program is in question.

VI.E.1. Resignations

Kathy Martinez, an interpreter for SCS, has resigned.

VI.E.2. Next Meeting July 19, 2010

The next board of education meeting is scheduled for July 19, 2010 at 6:30 PM.

VI.E.3. Option/Transfer Update

VI.E.4. Curriculum Development/Program Improvement Requests

VI.E.5. Preschool @ Richland

VI.E.6. Property Valuation - update

VII. Correspondence Items

Correspondence was received from Tom and Linda Hagewood thanking SCS for condolences they received.

VII.A. Linda and Tom Hagewood - mother of Linda - Berniece Harrifield

VIII. Executive Session

IX. Adjournment

A motion was made at 8:04 PM by Parr and seconded by Mejstrik to adjourn. Motion carried.