



Schuyler Community Schools
Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, August 12, 2019 6:30 PM
Schuyler Central High School Music Room
401 Adam Street
Schuyler, NE 68661-2400

Attendance Taken at 6:30 PM.

Richard Brabec: Present
Mynor Hernandez: Present
Nina Lanuza: Present
Chuck Misek: Present
Virginia Semerad: Present
Brian Vavricek: Present

Present: 6.

I. Call Meeting to Order

STRIVE - COMMIT - SUCCEED - District Mission Statement

Schuyler Community Schools in partnership with parents, students, and the community is committed to educate students to become skilled, knowledgeable and responsible citizens in a global society - District Vision 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

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 front of the meeting room.

Nebraska Open Meetings

Act: http://nitc.nebraska.gov/documents/statutes/NebraskaOpenMeetingsAct_current.pdf

II. Approval of Consent Agenda

Discuss, Consider and Take Action on the consent agenda

Motion to approve the consent agenda Passed with a motion by Virginia Semerad and a second by Nina Lanuza.

Richard Brabec: Yea, Mynor Hernandez: Yea, Nina Lanuza: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea,
Virginia Semerad: Yea, Brian Vavricek: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

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. We will have a check presentation from CHI. Claudia Lanuza will be here to represent the Hospital and talk about their support of the program.

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

IV. Action Items

IV.A. Americanism: Curriculum, Assessment, and Instructional Programs

This committee is responsible for reviewing curriculum recommendations, textbook selection, requisitions/inventory, and instructional programs.

IV.A.1. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve the superintendent as the 2019-20 Title IX Coordinator and district representative for all local, state, and federal programs.

The Office for Civil Rights is responsible for the enforcement of Title IX compliance by all K-12 Schools. All public schools must name a Title IX Coordinator to oversee all local, state, and federal programs in the district. This representative is responsible for the district's compliance with all accreditation, program requirements, and district responsibilities. In the past, you have named the superintendent as the representative to serve on your behalf.

Motion to to approve the superintendent as the 2019-20 Title IX Coordinator and district representative for all local, state, and federal programs. Passed with a motion by Mynor Hernandez and a second by Brian Vavricek.

Richard Brabec: Yea, Mynor Hernandez: Yea, Nina Lanuza: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea,
Virginia Semerad: Yea, Brian Vavricek: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

IV.B. Board Policy, Handbooks, and Support Programs

This committee is responsible for annual review of board policies, handbooks, and crisis/safety plans. This committee is also responsible for the support and development of support programs(nursing, food service) in the district.

IV.B.1. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve final reading of the 2019-20 new and amended policies

Attached are the new and amended policy recommendations for 2019-20. Also attached are "redline" policies that outline current policy changes.

2019-20 Policy Updates

NDE is doing some fairly thorough Title 1 audits this year so policies and the three policies included below are

presented in response to audits completed over the past year.

716.00 - Non-regulatory business requirements: This policy is a summary of the non-regulatory business requirements under ESSA to which schools must agree.

717.00 - Disposing of items acquired through government grants: discusses acceptable procedures for disposing of items acquired through government grants and also the guidelines for an inventory of those assets.

503.09 Homeless Children: This policy was updated a year ago but was not included in the policy update and often comes up in the discussion of NDE audits.

The recent Nebraska Legislative session passed numerous bills dealing with schools and they have resulted in several policy revisions.

LB 103: changes some procedures for passing the district's annual tax request and this has led to a revision of policy 702.03.

LB 115: dealing with enrollment of children of military families, it has led to an update of policy 502.01.

LB 399: deals with the teaching of civics and its oversight by the board, causing a major revision to policies 203.06 and 604.11 and thus, these are now very detailed and prescriptive. Policy 203.06 has been completely rewritten from the fifth sentence forward. **Policy 604.11** has been entirely rewritten. Redlines were not created to compare against the older versions due to the extent of changes. Since there has been harsh criticism in the Legislature that boards are not fully aware of their responsibilities regarding civics and citizenship instruction, we have included the detailed statutory expectations rather than a broad summary.

LB 575: dealing with directory information and access by military recruiters, it caused an update of policy 507.02.

LB 675: dealing with the length of time a current board may obligate future boards in agreements, it led to revisions in policies 407.07 and 706.01. Districts typically insert an amount between \$10,000 and \$25,000 in the blank space in paragraph four, but the amount should be set to meet your district's needs.

LB 390: directs the Nebraska Department of Education to develop a model Memo of Understanding (MOU) for use by districts between any local law enforcement unit or security agencies who will provide security personnel in the school. By January 1, 2021 each district must have an MOU substantially similar and at least meeting the minimum standards of the model offered by NDE. We will wait to see NDE's MOU and offer an alternative or recommend adoption of their model. The bill also contains other requirements including the public distribution of each district's MOU and new training standards for administrators and security guards in specific areas relating to school safety.

There may also be a few minor policy revisions coming out later this month, but these are the major ones resulting from this year's changes to state statutes.

Motion to approve final reading of the 2019-20 new and amended board policies as presented. Passed with a motion by Richard Brabec and a second by Virginia Semerad.
Richard Brabec: Yea, Mynor Hernandez: Yea, Nina Lanuza: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea,
Virginia Semerad: Yea, Brian Vavricek: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

IV.C. Budget, finance, negotiations, and personnel

This committee is responsible for budget, finance, and contract negotiations with administration, certificated staff, and support staff.

IV.C.1. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve new hire recommendations.

1. Ariana Alarcon: SES High Needs Para-Educator

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V. Discussion Items and Reports

V.A. Superintendent's Report

1. **NASB Area Membership Meeting:** See Attachment (Meeting and workshop for Board Members)
2. **2019 School Census Report:** See Attachment
3. **2019-20 District All-Staff Opening Meeting:** Tuesday, August 13 at 8:00 AM
4. **2019-20 Preliminary Budget Review**
5. **Special Board Meeting:** We will need to have another board meeting in August. This special meeting will be to finalize expenditures for the 2018-19 school year, make transfers, and host a budget workshop with final tax request, etc... We are supposed to receive our district valuations on or before August 20th. We will need these numbers to accurately advertise our 2019-20 budget and tax request.

V.B. Board Member/Committee Reports

See Web Page for updates from the Schuyler Community Schools Foundation.

VI. Correspondence Items

VII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn Passed with a motion by Brian Vavricek and a second by Chuck Misek.
Richard Brabec: Yea, Mynor Hernandez: Yea, Nina Lanuza: Yea, Chuck Misek: Yea,
Virginia Semerad: Yea, Brian Vavricek: Yea
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