Quinter Public Schools USD 293 Official Minutes of Regular Board Meeting September 14, 2015

President Dave Polifka called the Regular Board of Education meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. In attendance were Aaron Betz, Robert Herl, Travis Hargitt, Shane Mann, Giovani Caasi, Robert Herl and Tara Thornburg. Also Attending were Supt./Princ. Linda Zeigler; Principal Toby Countryman; Clerk Evone Waggoner; and Teachers John Crist, Katie Blackwill, Kirsten Lundgren, and Chris Lee.

Call to Order

Motion to approve the agenda. Betz/Caasi (m/s/c 7-0)

Approval of Agenda
Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the Special Board of Education meeting minutes of August 25, 2015. Mann/Hargitt (m/s/c 7-0)

Information Report

John Crist presented the AD report. Fall Sports Numbers: JH VB10; JH FB 12; HS VB 20; HS FB 11; Girls CC 4; and Boys CC 7. New FB Districts will be assigned on October 7th. Mr. Crist will be attending a meeting in Salina with all the other schools in the state to make out the new football schedule for the 2016 and 2017 seasons.

Approval of Bills
Information Report

Motion to approve bill checks #20772 thru 20823 including additional bills. Herl/Thornburg (m/s/c 7-0) Toby Countryman presented the PDC report.

Linda Zeigler presented the Transportation report. Arlan is swapping seats, lights and hood off of Bus 10 which has 289,000 miles on it and then the bus can be sold for scrap. Bus routes are working fine. Fixed up little bus to use on preschool route. Using other for little activity bus because it has air conditioning.

Linda Zeigler presented the grade school building report. I Pads are in the classrooms and teachers are using them for IXL, AR test, and other applications. Katie Blackwill shared that AR testing in the classroom has been a real positive. District purchased two Wi-Fi printers for grade school. Pre assessment tests are being completed. Mrs. Zeigler has ten teacher evaluations to do this year, with five of those teachers having two evaluations. Open House is September 21st at 7:00-8:00. Mrs. Zeigler will have a 6th grade session to visit with parents about students participating in sports.

Toby Countryman presented the junior-senior building report. Mr. Countryman may have a student who is wanting to bring a guest date that is not a high school student to the homecoming dance and the student should have requested permission from the Board for approval based on Guest Date Policy. Activities are in full swing. 360 Engineers were in the building to inspect roof top insulation needs to be replaced by the original company that installed it with no cost to the District. Mr. Countryman asked for board approval of the following additional NWTech college classes: General Chemistry, General Physics, Spanish, and A & P. Chromebook roll out update presented. IT person (Denton George) on campus more often and also monitoring web filtering offsite. Flex Time groups are set. ACT results were reviewed. Community concerns about new printed sports schedule/posters were reviewed. Network of Complimentary School funds will be used to help offset students' expenses. Dating Safe presentation at high school. Request from community member to sell luminaries for walk-a-thon at next home volleyball and JH football game. The funds raised go to cancer/heart charities and 80% stays in the county. Lights Out for Stroke will hand out cards and make a public service announcement at the ball game on October 23rd. Mr. Countryman recommended Leanna Wiley as the 8th grade sponsor. Looking Ahead: ACT to be administered on campus September 29th; Education Commissioner Randy Watson back in Oakley September 30th; Presentation on dangers of prescription drug abuse October 14th; Quinter students' artwork on display @ Hoxie October 3rd; and Digital Citizenship presentation by Nex-Tech for junior high students October 27th.

Motion to approve additional NWTech college classes as presented. Herl/Mann (m/s/c 7-0)

Action Item

Motion to approve selling of luminaries for walk-a-thon at ball games. Betz/Hargitt (m/s/c 7-0)

Action Item

Motion to approve a contract for Leanna Wiley for 8th grade sponsor. Mann/Hargitt (m/s/c 7-0)

Action Item

Linda Zeigler presented the all-schools report. Kelpa P Assessments done for English learners show student improvement. Media about State Assessments were reviewed. Combined Site Council meeting September 16th in the District Office. Mrs. Zeigler is putting plans in place for when she is out of the office. Count date is September 21st so several state reports will then need to be completed.

Information Report

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Linda Zeigler presented the Superintendent's report. Mrs. Zeigler gave update on what area schools are doing due to budget cuts to save money. Shared information from Dale Dennis about school lawsuit against the State. New formula should be equal and adequate. District received notification that USD 293 was awarded Extraordinary Needs Funds to help lower local mill levy and that additional approval for funds due to oil company lawsuit is pending.

Information Report

The Board of Education took a break at 8:00 PM

Old Business:

Mrs. Zeigler updated the Board on the District's Health Insurance options. BCBS has not yet given a quote but when the quote comes in and if it looks pliable, Mrs. Zeigler would like the committee to meet with a couple of board members. Committee may recommend accepting the BCBS quote and a special meeting would have to be called to accept and cancel the State Plan by October 1st. BOE Goals were updated and presented for approval.

Motion to approve Board of Education Goals as presented for 2015-2016. Hargitt/Betz (m/s/c 7-0)

Action Item

New Business:

Strategic Plan outline and the Strategic Plan goals were reviewed. Mrs. Zeigler recommended offering a custodian contract for Christina Walker at the HS, and a two hour a day part time Para Professional contract for Pam Nemechek. Mrs. Zeigler submitted a letter of resignation as superintendent/GS principal effective at the end of the 2015-2016 school year.

Information Report

Motion to approve Christina Walker as high school custodian.

Action Item

Polifka/Mann (m/s/c 7-0)

Motion to approve Pam Nemechek as two hour a day part-time Para Professional.

Action Item

Polifka/Betz (m/s/c 7-0)

Motion to accept Linda Zeigler's resignation as superintendent/GS principal at the end of the 2015-2016 school year with regrets and many years of thanks.

Action Item

Polifka/Mann (m/s/c 7-0)

Motion to enter into executive session with Supt. Linda Zeigler, and Princ. Toby Countryman at 8:46 PM until 8:56 PM for 10 minutes to discuss student matters. Polifka/Caasi (m/s/c 7-0) The executive session is necessary to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed.

Executive Session

The Board of Education meeting returned to open session at 8:56 PM.

Information Report

Motion to enter into executive session with Supt. Linda Zeigler, and Princ. Toby Countryman at 8:57 PM until 9:02 PM for 5 minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Polifka/Betz (m/s/c 7-0) The executive session is necessary to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed.

Executive Session

The Board of Education meeting returned to open session at 9:02 PM.

Information Report

Dave Polifka adjourned the Board of Education meeting at 9:03 PM.

Adjournment

Approved:

Date: 0-12-15 Clerk: Evens U 099000 Date: 10-12-15