

Quinter Public Schools USD 293
Official Minutes of Regular Board Meeting
January 11, 2016

Call to Order:

President Dave Polifka called the Regular Board of Education meeting to order at 7:03 P.M. In attendance were Aaron Betz, Shane Mann, Giovanni Caasi, Travis Hargitt, Robert Herl, and Tara Thornburg. Also Attending were Supt./Princ. Linda Zeigler; Principal Toby Countryman; Clerk Evone Waggoner; and Teachers Steve Nicholson, and Julinne Samuelson; Parents Amy Davidson, Mikey Lewis, and Ericka Nicholson; Student Tori Davidson.

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

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the Regular Board of Education meeting minutes of December 7, 2015.
Mann/Hargitt (m/s/c 7-0)

Approval of Bills: Motion to approve bill checks #21002 thru 21055 including additional bills. Betz/Mann (m/s/c 7-0)

AD Report:

None

QTA Report:

None

STUCO Report:

None

Site Council Reports:

None

PDC Report:

Presented by Toby Countryman.

NKESC Report:

Presented by Aaron Betz.

Transportation Report:

None

Public Forum:

None

Grade School Building Report:

Stephanie Albin is a student teacher in 3rd grade with Mrs. Leon for 8 weeks, then she will student teach in AM pre-school and Mrs. Leon's in the afternoon. Christmas program was so full people had to sit on the floor. Fire marshal called to say district must limit seating. Several suggestions were brought up and will be looked at to help avoid the situation again. Evaluations continue. A schedule for sharing a teacher between 3rd and 5th/6th grade will have to wait until board decision on continuing 6th grade basketball is made.

Junior-Senior School Building Report:

Tori Davidson requested permission from the Board of Education to bring Chad Mohler to the Snowball dance, Can Dance, and Prom. Consensus of the board was to allow the out of school date to attend. Steve Nicholson explained a \$3,500 Dane Hansen Foundation Grant awarded for the advanced biology class and requested using it for a landscaping project by the arts building at the high school. Mr. Nicholson has a student teacher this semester and she is doing well. Mr. Countryman will meet with the calendar committee and have a proposed 2016-2017 calendar to approve at the February meeting. January is a busy month for activities and Forensics meets are starting.

Action Item:

Motion to accept Dane Hansen Foundation Grant for advanced biology class to do a landscaping project by arts building and other landscaping if funds allow.

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

All-School Building Report:

Mrs. Zeigler and Mr. Countryman reported that they were thankful for the opportunity to work with a very high quality staff.

Superintendent's Report:

Tom Barnes with input from Denton George (tech consultant) submitted E-Rate form 470. Bids will be accepted on the elementary internet connection and access points. Food Purchasing Consortium was reviewed and a possibility for one being established in northwest Kansas by next school year. A percentage of food would still be purchased locally.

Executive Session:

Motion to enter into executive session with Supt. Linda Zeigler, Princ. Toby Countryman, Ericka Nicholson, Steve Nicholson, and Julinne Samuelson present at 7:40 PM until 7:55 PM for 15 minutes to discuss student matters. Polifka/Mann (m/s/c 7-0) The executive session is necessary to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed.

The Board of Education meeting returned to open session at 7:55 PM.

Superintendent's Report Cont.:

KASB December Policy Updates tabled to the February meeting. Donations received from Don and Charla Tilton. Anonymous donation of \$4,000 designated to track hurdles, south gym athlete cushioned folding chairs, and auditorium sound system repair or replacement. District received two new AEDs for GS and Arts building by an anonymous donor. State Assessment Reports were reviewed and will be reviewed with staff at staff meeting. Mrs. Zeigler addressed the request from QTA on 4 day school week survey. Articles with Pros and Cons and possible effects on Quinter Schools were reviewed.

Action Item:

Motion to accept a \$3,000 donation from Don and Charla Tilton; \$4,000 anonymous donation with designation to track hurdles, south gym cushioned folding chairs, and auditorium sound system repair or replacement; and two new AEDs with appreciation and gratitude.

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

Old Business:

Superintendent/Principal interview process was to be discussed in executive session.

New Business:

Madeline Musick has submitted her letter of retirement at the end of the school year. Marcia Johnson has turned in her resignation as high school custodian effective February 5th, 2016.

Action Item:

Motion to accept Madeline Musick's retirement resignation as Art Teacher at the end of the school term with thanks for years of service.

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

Action Item:

Motion to accept Marcia Johnson's resignation as HS custodian as of February 5th, 2016.

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

Executive Session:

Motion to enter into executive session with Supt. Linda Zeigler, and Princ. Toby Countryman at 8:28 PM until 8:58 PM for 30 minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Mann/Caasi (m/s/c 7-0) The executive session is necessary to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed.

The Board of Education meeting returned to open session at 8:58 PM.

Motion to enter into executive session with Supt. Linda Zeigler, and Princ. Toby Countryman at 8:58 PM until 9:13 PM for 15 minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Betz/Mann (m/s/c 7-0) The executive session is necessary to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed.

The Board of Education meeting returned to open session at 9:13 PM.

Information Report

Special Board of Education meeting was set for Wednesday, January 20th at 7:00 PM.

Adjournment:

Dave Polifka adjourned the Board of Education meeting at 9:15 PM.

Approved:

President:  Date: 1-20-16 Clerk:  Date: 1-20-16