

**Minutes of
The Regular Board Meeting**

**The Board of Directors of
South Page Community School District
December 14, 2015**

The Board of Directors of the South Page Community School District met in regular session on December 14, 2015 at 6pm in the school Library at 606 Iowa Avenue, College Springs, Iowa 51637.

CALL TO ORDER- ROLL CALL

President Ron Peterman called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Roll call: Jacquelyn Autry, Darin McClarnon, Chris Drennen and Ron Peterman. Also present were Superintendent Gregg Cruickshank, Principal Denise Green and Board Secretary Pat Behrhorst and guests. Director Kenny Jackson was absent.

AGENDA

D McClarnon made a motion to approve agenda. C Drennen second. Motion carried 4-0

CONSENT AGENDA

J Autry made a motion to approve the consent agenda to include previous minutes, the financial accounts, and the payments of bills. D McClarnon second. Motion carried 4-0

REPORTS

Audience

State Senator Mark Costello was in attendance. He shared information and thoughts about the upcoming legislative session and addressed questions from the board and public.

Principal

- Conference Update – Griswold has voted to move forward with the process of joining the conference. Still visiting with others.
- Special Education – we are looking to implement a Life Skills program into our special education department for K-12 grades. Mrs. Bowman will present a plan in February.
- The “Scary Guy” will be presenting a bullying presentation to the students and staff January 11th.
 - Funded by: Southwest Iowa Families
- K-12 Christmas Concert tonight
- Two Lego Teams competed in Lewis Central Saturday. Chris or Jackie can give more of an update.
- Discussed possible update of Ipads for Elementary
- Discussed usage of gym and weight room for patrons in district

Superintendent

- A notification of a \$500 award from the Charles Hockenberry Foundation to support the elementary program.
- Information from the AIM conference. Students from South Page attended and Mr. Davis believed it to be very worthwhile.
- End of year overview from Green Hills AEA. It highlights the major areas that the AEA is providing support to districts in their service area.
- Communication from Department of Education Director Ryan Wise regarding the Iowa School Report Card. More will be shared at the meeting.
- A report from the Iowa Athletic Council regarding a proposed revision to the Scholarship Rule. The Scholarship Rule stipulates that if a student-athlete fails a course at semester, they have to sit out 30 calendar days of competition for the next semester. The proposed revision calls for sitting out 33% of scheduled games
- Rural School Advocate of Iowa update on funding inequity particularly the inequity in transportation costs for rural schools as opposed to urban schools. Per pupil transportation costs range from \$41 per pupil to over \$1000 per pupil. An 8 minute YouTube video will be shared which describes the history of the funding formula and the per pupil unequal funding that exists within the formula.

Maintenance/Transportation Director

- The process started to replace the engine on the route bus. The cost is \$10,500 and will be paid for from PPEL or State Penny.

Discussion

Staffing and Sharing

- Discussed a table which lists Corner Conference sharing agreements.
- Staffing and sharing are ongoing conversations. The dissolution of Farragut, and therefore the Nishnabotna HS program disbanding, is a consideration moving forward.
- The administration wants to share some considerations, particularly in Career Technical Education (CTE) programs for next year.

Teacher Leadership and Compensation

- Discussed the notification that the South Page/Sidney application has been approved by the Department of Education.
- First steps regarding implementation are next priority. Input from schools currently implementing and support from the AEA will be solicited.

Director J Autry was excused from the meeting at 6:58pm.

Discussion/Action

- a. School Business Manager agreement with a 80/20 share stipulation with Shenandoah. C Drennen made a motion to approve and D McClarnon second. Motion carried 3-0.
- b. Resignation of Personal- C Drennen made a motion to accept the resignation of Sherri Ruzek as Board Secretary and D McClarnon second. Motion carried 3-0.
- c. Approve hiring of Board Secretary, Pat Behrhorst. D McClarnon made a motion to accept and C Drennen second motion with recommendation paying her time and a half her hourly wage for duties as Board Secretary, with minimum pay being one hour per meeting. The time and a half hourly rate is \$22.09. Sidney compensates an administrative assistant in the same manner for Board Secretary duties. Motion carried 3-0.

Action

- a. **Resignation of Personnel- C Drennen made a motion to accept** Shannon Hennemann, Dance Team Coach, effective at the end of the 2015/16 school with regrets. D McClarnon second. Motion carried 3-0.
- b. Approve Nutrition Program Manager – D McClarnon made motion to accept Nissa Wennihan has the Nutrition Program manager and C Drennen second. Motion carried 3-0
- c. JH Basketball Assistant Coach- C Drennen made a motion that we hire Kysa McClarnon for this season and R Peterman second. Motion carried 2-0 Director D McClarnon abstained
- d. South Page Education Association –C Drennen made a motion to approve the collective bargaining group for the certified staff. D McClarnon second. Motion carried 3-0
- e. Approved Ron Peterman and Chris Drennen as the two board negotiation team. D McClarnon made motion and C Drennen second. Motion carried 3-0

Celebrations

Lego Teams competed in completion
 Christmas Concerts
 Hockenberry Foundation Donation
 NHS Inductions: Bailey Drennen, Chase Guthrie, Leslie Rine

Adjourn

D McClarnon made a motion to adjourn. C Drennen second. Motion carried 3-0. Adjournment was at 7:06pm. Reports, documents, and discussion items considered are on file in the Board Office, Monday-Friday, 8:00am to 4:00pm. By appointment.

Ron Peterman, President
 Pat Behrhorst, Board Secretary