

SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-4

Monday September 25, 2017

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

6:00 P.M. - BOARDROOM

- I. CALL TO ORDER: Larry Duncan, board president, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- A. ROLL CALL:
1. MEMBERS PRESENT: Clinton Arbuthnot, Rick Birdsong, Larry Duncan, Tyler Gibson and Kay Maes.
 2. MEMBERS ABSENT: None
 3. SCHOOL PERSONNEL PRESENT: Richard Hargrove, Pam Hartley, Leah Crane, Deb Sharpe, Shane Hagan and Kyle Lasley (arrived at 6:20 p.m.)
 4. GUESTS PRESENT: None
- II. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: Mr. Hargrove requested that agenda item APPOINT CASB DELEGATE be added to New Business, Item G.
- III. APPROVE THE AGENDA: Kay Maes made a motion to accept the agenda with the addition of New Business, Item G: Appoint CASB Delegate. Rick Birdsong seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- IV. ROUTINE ITEMS:
- A. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE August 21, 2017 Regular Meeting: Rick Birdsong made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2017 Regular Meeting as presented. Tyler Gibson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- B. FINANCIAL REPORTS: The board reviewed the financial reports and Superintendent Hargrove discussed a few adjustments that will be made before final approval in January.
- C. CLAIMS PAYABLE – September 25, 2017: The board reviewed the September claims payable. Tyler Gibson made a motion to approve the September 25, 2017 Claims Payable. Clinton Arbuthnot seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- V. PUBLIC COMMENT: STA Officers Leah Crane, president; Shane Hagan, secretary and Deb Sharpe, treasurer stated they were in attendance to represent the Springfield Teachers Association. Deb Sharpe, Preschool Director provided a quick update on preschool activity. She reported that the Preschool Licensing Inspection was just completed. The State Supervisor and lead inspector conducted the inspection so review was very comprehensive, taking over 6 ½ hours. As of meeting time, the report was not available. Mrs. Sharpe expressed appreciation that a new dishwasher has been installed. Current student count is at 46 and if all goes as scheduled the preschool should be able to participate in the regular count day as opposed to utilizing the alternate preschool count option.

IF YOU ARE HERE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING:

Welcome to the open forum portion of our meeting. We appreciate your interest in participating in this conversation time with the Springfield School District RE-4 Board of Education. A sign-up sheet was provided at the entrance to the Board meeting for all persons wishing to address the Board. It is requested that comments be limited to five minutes per speaker. Patrons are invited to share comments with the Board in an orderly manner that is consistent with the respect and dignity that should be part of a Board of Education public meeting. The Board will require that speakers and audience members adhere to basic standards of civility and, with limited time available, as the Board President, I may need to limit or terminate discussion to maintain decorum or to give as many people as possible the opportunity to speak. The Board will not take any action during this time. It is the preference of the Board that comments concerning District personnel be addressed in executive session. Discussion of individual students must occur in executive session. Please inform the Board if you intend to make comments concerning District personnel or students so those comments may be heard in executive session.

A. CORRESPONDENCE: None

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. UPDATE ON PHONE SYSTEM: Mr. Hargrove reported that Phillips Communication required a 50% down payment to order equipment. This payment was processed and a small delay developed because one step in the process required SECOM to complete it. A few other minor details have been taken care of and the estimated start time for the project is the first week of October.
- B. BOARD ELECTION: Superintendent Hargrove reported that there are 3 candidates who have completed the process for nomination and will be on the November ballot as board candidates for the 2 positions that will be elected. Candidates are Pamela Crane and incumbents Larry Duncan and Tyler Gibson. Nominees were reminded about Fair Campaign Practice Act filing deadlines on October 17th, November 3rd and December 7th.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. DISCUSS & APPROVE FFA NATIONAL CONVENTION PROPOSAL: Due to a family illness, FFA Sponsor Randy McEndree was unable to attend and present the proposal. This item was tabled.
- B. DISCUSS PURCHASE OF FFA PICKUP: Mr. Hargrove shared some different options that are being considered, but due to Mr. McEndree's absence this item was tabled for further discussion at the October regular board meeting.
- C. REVIEW AND ACCEPT DISTRICT FRAMEWORKS: Mr. Hargrove presented preliminary school performance framework reports to the board and explained the different school and district rating levels. He also discussed the new Edmentum program and some of the exciting opportunities it will afford students to learn with more individualized curriculum. The staff received training on Edmentum at the September 22 Teacher Professional Day. Mr. Lasley presented current NWEA testing achievement graphs and described several ways this information is utilized by class instructors.
- D. UPDATE ON STUDENT COUNT: Official Student Count Day is Monday, October 2. Current district count is up from last year's total student count. Mr. Hargrove explained that if this count is maintained through count day, it will exceed the numbers used to build the 17-18 budget. Superintendent Hargrove took this opportunity to visit with the board about the recommendations he will make in regards to salary base increases once total figures are determined.
- E. REVIEW OF PRELIMINARY EVALUATION: A copy of the Certification of Valuation by County Assessor was included in board packets. Mr. Hargrove explained how the state uses this information to adjust the per pupil amount for our district.
- F. APPROVE PART TIME COUNSELOR POSITIONS: The hiring of a full-time school counselor has not been successful to date. Mr. Hargrove recommended that two part-time persons be hired. He recommended Ron Masterson as part-time Dean of Students and Chelsea Gourley as part-time School Counselor. They would be paid hourly and duties will be determined by collaborating between themselves, Mr. Hargrove and Mr. Lasley. Clinton Arbuthnot made a motion to hire Ron Masterson as part-time Dean of Students and Chelsea Gourley as part-time School Counselor. Tyler Gibson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- G. APPOINT CASB DELEGATE: Rick Birdsong made a motion to appoint Director Clinton Arbuthnot as the CASB voting delegate for the 2017 Delegate Assembly.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION: C.R.S. 24-6-402(4): No Executive Session.

IX. ACT ON EXECUTIVE SESSION: No action taken.

X. REPORTS

- A. JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH PRINCIPAL – KYLE LASLEY: Mr. Lasley shared a few extra-curricular activities that students have participated in during September. The FBLA and FCCLA officer installations were held this month. The freshman FFA members attended the BIG Conference in Lamar and a representative from NRCS presented demonstrations of different types of soil coverage to the FFA classes. The FOR Club participated in a FOR Club Summit at Vilas this month and the November Summit has been moved from Pritchett to Springfield. Mr. Lasley also distributed a Student Leader List to all the board members listing the various school organizations, the school sponsor and the student officers. He reported that he had attended his first Principal's BOCES meeting in Lamar and thinks this will be a very useful resource for him as a principal.
- B. SUPERINTENDENT/ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL REPORT – RICHARD HARGROVE: Mr. Hargrove reviewed the items in his BOE Update in the board packets. In addition he discussed the proposed use of Title IV money that the school will receive. This is not a yearly grant and he is still waiting for official notification, but if received, he plans to use the money for Chromebooks and enhancements to the Art & Music departments; specifically instrument replacement and a KILN.

XI. OTHER ITEMS TO DISCUSS:

XII. BOARD MEETING DATES:

- 1. REGULAR BOARD MEETING – October 23, 2017

XIII. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD: Kay Maes visited with the board about a proposal from Plains Disposal in regards to some donations in exchange for advertisement. It was the consensus of the board to allow Mr. Hargrove to contact their representative and discuss the details.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned by consensus of the board at 7:06 p.m.

Larry Duncan, President

Kay Maes, Secretary

Rick Birdsong, Vice-President

Tyler Gibson, Treasurer

Clinton Arbuthnot, Director