

Board of Education Meeting
Southwest Public Schools
District 179
April 8th, 2019

Vice-President Ondrea McConville called the regular meeting of the Southwest Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:31 p.m. on April 8, 2019 at the Southwest Elementary School in Indianola.

Present: Jason Kloeping, Duane Teter, Ondrea McConville, Jenni McConville, Principal Matt Springer and Kathy Latta, Superintendent Todd Porter, and Natalie Meyers.

Absent: Jason Neseth and John O'Dea

Visitors: Don and Donna Behnke, Ben and Nicole Springer

Vice-President McConville observed Open Meeting Law requirements.

Moved by J. McConville, seconded by Kloeping, to excuse absent board members Jason Neseth and John O'Dea. Ayes: Kloeping, Teter, J. McConville, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Absent: O'Dea and Neseth. Motion carried.

Moved by Teter, seconded by J. McConville, to approve the board meeting agenda as presented. Ayes: Kloeping, J. McConville, O. McConville and Teter. Nays: None. Absent: O'Dea and Neseth. Motion carried.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by the board-approved method of meeting notice. Notice of the meeting was given in advance to all members prior to the meeting date.

John O'Dea arrived at 7:35 p.m.

Awards & Recognition-Students participated in State FFA and State FBLA this last week. Both teams did very well in their specialty categories. Our Golf team received Runner up at the Dundy Co./Stratton meet. Students also participated in Inter High Day, the Junior High/Elementary Music Contest, and the McCook Paint In. Those who participated received many awards and recognition. Congratulations to Donna Roggenkamp on receiving the Outstanding Music Teacher Award for Rural Schools at the NRCSA conference on March 21st.

Moved by J. McConville, seconded by Neseth, to approve the minutes of the March 11th, 2019 board meeting as presented. Ayes: O. McConville, J. McConville, Kloeping, O'Dea, and Teter. Nays: None. Absent: Neseth. Motion carried.

Moved by O'Dea, seconded by J. McConville, to approve the claims as presented. Ayes: Kloeping, O'Dea, J. McConville, Teter, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Absent: Neseth. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was presented to the Board.

The Board decided to keep the Activity Pass prices for the 2019-2020 school year the same. \$20 for a Student pass, \$45 for an Adult pass, and \$85 for a Family pass

Moved by O'Dea, seconded by Neseth, to approve the placement of Jordan Lewis on the Southwest Public Schools Foundation Board to replace Nick Brost. Ayes: Kloepping, O. McConville, O'Dea, Teter, and J. McConville. Nays: None. Absent: Neseth. Motion carried.

Mr. Porter discussed LB 399, American Civics Education Bill with the board and what their responsibilities will entail with this bill.

Superintendent Porter reported that on Wednesday, April 10th the Department of Education will be here for a lunch program review. Mr. Porter and Jody will be attending the NDE Data Conference on April 29th and 30th. He reminded the board that graduation is May 11th at 10:30 a.m.

Principal Latta reported the students have finished NSCAS ELA testing and are working on math and science this week. The Elementary music students participated in the JH/Elem music contest and did very well. Mrs. Latta wanted to thank the community for all the stuff the bus contributions. She said the school was overwhelmed by all the generous donations.

Principal Springer reported that our new route bus is here and in use. The Coach bus broke down while in Lincoln for State FFA but has now been repaired. Mr. Springer wanted to recognize and thank the Southwest FFA and SR Farms for organizing the Hay Drive. They donated 10 semi loads and 2 pickup trailer loads of alfalfa to the flood relief victims. Students have signed up for classes for next year and the high school schedule is in its final stages.

Agenda for meetings will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Superintendent.

Gradation is May 11th, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. in the Junior-Senior High School Gymnasium.

The next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, May 13th, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.

Moved by Teter, seconded by O'Dea to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m. Ayes: Kloepping, O'Dea, J. McConville, Teter, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Absent: Neseth. Motion carried.