

Board of Education Meeting
Southwest Public Schools
District 179
December 12, 2022

President Duane Teter called the regular meeting of the Southwest Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:33 p.m. on December 12, 2022 at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.

Present: Duane Teter, Brooke Brooks, Jennifer McConville, John O'Dea, Superintendent Todd Porter, and Patricia Smith.

Absent: Jason Neseth and Jason Kloeping.

Visitors: None.

President Teter observed Open Meeting Law requirements.

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

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

Notices of the meeting were posted at the Adams Bank and Trust in Indianola, the Stockmens Bank Bartley Branch, Post Offices in Bartley and Indianola, Southwest Elementary School in Indianola, Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley, and published in the Valley Voice newspaper and on the school website. Notice of the meeting was given in advance to all members prior to the meeting date.

Moved by McConville, seconded by O'Dea, to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2022 board meeting. Ayes: McConville, Teter, Brooks, and O'Dea. Nays: None. Absent: Kloeping and Neseth. Motion carried.

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

The treasurer's report was presented to the Board.

Moved by McConville, seconded by Brooks, to approve the 2023-2024 Teacher Negotiated Agreement with a \$1,000.00 increase on the base salary. Ayes: McConville, O'Dea, Brooks, and Teter. Nays: None. Absent: Kloeping and Neseth. Motion carried.

The semi-annual review of Covid-19 Protocols and uses of the ARP ESSR III Grant, as posted on the school website, are being used for class size reduction and interventions and was discussed by school board members.

Superintendent Porter discussed the recent safety audit and corrective actions, elementary roof repair status, the hiring of a custodian and cook, and the December 12 elementary math inservice and district safety meeting.

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

The next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, January 9, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School Library in Bartley.

Moved by O'Dea, seconded by McConville, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. Ayes: O'Dea, Teter, McConville, and Brooks. Nays: None. Absent: Neseth and Kloeping. Motion carried.