

Board of Education Meeting
Southwest Public Schools
District 179
May 9, 2022

President Duane Teter called the regular meeting of the Southwest Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:32 p.m. on May 9, 2022 at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.

Present: Duane Teter, Jason Neseth, Brooke Brooks, Jennifer McConville, Jason Kloepping, Superintendent Todd Porter, Principal Tara Fries, and Patricia Smith.

Absent: John O'Dea.

Visitors: None.

President Teter observed Open Meeting Law requirements.

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

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

Notices of the meeting were posted at the Adams Bank and Trust in Indianola, 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 Kloepping, seconded by Neseth, to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2022 board meeting as presented. Ayes: Kloepping, Neseth, Brooks, and Teter. Nays: None. Absent: O'Dea. Abstain: McConville. Motion carried.

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

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

The treasurer's report was presented to the Board.

Moved by O'Dea, seconded by McConville, to approve a contract for Kristen Harris as the Business instructor at the junior-senior high school for the 2022-2023 school year. Ayes: Teter, McConville, O'Dea, Kloepping, Neseth and Brooks. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Moved by O'Dea, seconded by Neseth, to close the Bond Fund checking account and transfer the balance to the General Fund. Ayes: McConville, Brooks, Kloepping, Neseth, O'Dea, and Teter. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

No action was taken on New Business Agenda Action Item #3 Discuss and take appropriate action on pay for substitute teachers for the 2022-2023 school year. The current rate of \$135.00 per day will be paid to substitute teachers for the 2022-2023 school year.

Superintendent Porter reported on the status of the Nebraska Emergency Management Hazard Mitigation Grant application, the summer maintenance process, junior-senior high cooling tower and concrete projects, restructuring project of an elementary dressing room, and the hiring of custodial and cafeteria employees.

Principal Fries reported on the status of elementary NSCAS and MAPS testing, mailing of Summer School letters, and the upcoming music program and field day.

President Teter updated the Board on Principal Springer's report of the status of the May 22, 2022 online auction of real estate.

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, June 13, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.

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