

Board of Education Meeting  
Southwest Public Schools  
District 179  
October 12th, 2020

President Duane Teter called the regular meeting of the Southwest Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:32 p.m. on October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at the Southwest Elementary School in Indianola.

Present: Duane Teter, Ondrea McConville, Jennifer McConville, Jason Neseth, Principal Matt Springer, Superintendent Todd Porter and Natalie Meyers.

Absent: John O'Dea and Jason Kloepping

Visitors: NA

President Duane Teter observed Open Meeting Law requirements.

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

O'Dea entered at 7:33 p.m.

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

Kloepping entered at 7:34 p.m.

Notice of the meeting was posted at the Post Offices in Bartley and Indianola, Adams Bank and Trust in Indianola, State Bank of Bartley in Bartley, Southwest Elementary School in Indianola, Southwest Jr/Sr High School in Bartley and published in the Valley Voice. Notice of the meeting was given in advance to all members prior to the meeting date.

Moved by O. McConville, seconded by Neseth, to approve the minutes of the September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Budget Hearing, Tax Request Hearing, and regular board meeting as presented. Ayes: J. McConville, Neseth, Kloepping, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Abstain: O'Dea and Teter. Motion carried.

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

The treasurer's report was presented to the Board.

Mr. Porter discussed the Superintendent Evaluation Procedure with the board according to Board Policy 4057

Moved by O. McConville, seconded by O'Dea, to approve 1 student for Early Dismissal for Seniors, Policy 5065.1 effective second semester. Ayes: J. McConville, Kloepping, Teter, Neseth, O'Dea, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Kloepping, seconded by O'Dea, to approve revised Board Policies; 2008 Meetings, 3001 Budget, 3004.1 Fiscal Management for Purchasing and Procurement Using Federal Funds, 5018 Parent and Guardian Involvement in Education Practices, and 5067 Student Assistance Team or Comparable Problem Solving Team. Ayes: J. McConville, Kloepping, Teter, Neseth, O'Dea and O. McConville. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Neseth, seconded by J. McConville, to approve the request by Southwest Education Association to recognize Southwest Education Association as exclusive bargaining agent for the district's non-supervisory certificated staff for the 2022-2023 contract year. Ayes: J. McConville, Kloeping, Teter, Neseth, O'Dea and O. McConville. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The board discussed the current coronavirus status and procedures that we currently have in place.

Superintendent Porter reported we are still following the same procedures that were in place when school began and we have open communication with Southwest Nebraska Health Department. Homecoming is this week with the dance taking place on Saturday. The dance is for only Southwest High School students and staff supervision personal only. The crowning will take place on the football field.

Principal Springer reported custodians are continuing to disinfect thoroughly every day and temperature checks twice a day are still happening at both the High School and Elementary. He mentioned that the district is in need of bus drivers and substitute teachers.

Moved by O'Dea, seconded by Kloeping, to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 p.m. Ayes: O'Dea, J. McConville, Neseth, Kloeping, Teter, and O. McConville. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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, November 9, 2020, at 7:30 p.m. at the Southwest Jr/Sr High School in Bartley. A brief American Civics Committee Meeting will be held at 7:25 pm prior to the regular board meeting where public comment will be accepted.