

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE PLATTE-GEDDES SCHOOL
DISTRICT #11-5 BOARD OF EDUCATION
MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2017**

President T. Smit called the regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Platte-Geddes School District #11-5 to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 9, 2017, in the Library at the Platte-Geddes Elementary School. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Tami Smit, Ross Van Zee, Marlon Ferguson, Ross Varilek, Jess Sondgeroth, Duke Starr, Tricia Meyerink

Members absent: None

Others present: Superintendent Joel Bailey, Business Manager Kathy Holter, Secondary Principal Patrick Frederick, Elementary Principal Jennifer Knecht, Dr. Randy Royer (Leadership Development Director for ASBSD), Lacey Mills, Sadie Hanson, Donyelle Petersen, and Jason Huizenga

Additions or deletions to this agenda

The following item was added to the printed agenda: Approve Sick Bank Leave Request for Mrs. Jennifer Semmler

Approve agenda

Motion J. Sondgeroth, seconded T. Meyerink approving the agenda as amended. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Approve Consent Agenda

Motion R. Van Zee, seconded M. Ferguson approving the following consent agenda:

- Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on Monday, September 11, 2017
- Authorize Payment of Claims for October 20, 2017
- Approve Report of Cash Transactions dated 09/30/2017
- Void Check #39430 to Baymont Inn & Suites in the amount of \$100.00 dated 9/20/2017

All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Participation

Dr. Randy Royer, Leadership Development Director for the Associated School Boards of South Dakota, present the Board of Education with a plaque for their success in achieving the Gold Level award in the ASBSD Board Recognition Program ALL. This program recognizes board members' participation in outside activities, board development and training, and how they demonstrate leadership in the categories of Act, Learn and Lead.

Routine Business

Conflict Disclosures and Consideration of Waivers

None

Out of State Conference Request, Mrs. Lacey Mills

Mrs. Lacey Mills presented information to the board on a Kindergarten Conference in Bloomington, MN that she would like to attend. The two-day conference focuses on reading and writing, early numeracy, motivation and engagement, science and inquiry, classroom routines with flexible seating, and play-based learning. Total cost for attending the conference would be approximately \$1,000.00. Motion J. Sondgeroth, seconded T. Meyerink approving the request of Lacey Mills to attend the out of state conference. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Good News Report

The Platte Health Center Avera has graciously donated \$1,000.00 to the school lunch program. The money will be used to assist families in paying for school lunch.

Kailena Anderson was congratulated on being selected to attend the Congress of Future Medical Leaders last June.

Students and staff who have run the concession stand during this year's volleyball matches would like to thank the board of education for approving the project. The district has also received many compliments on the upgrades to the main gym.

Congratulations were extended to the following All State Choir representatives: Kailena Anderson, Abby Spawn, Martin DeKam, Hayden Litterick and to the alternates: Latisha Thomas, Sadie Rasmussen, and

Trevor Sprik. Abby Spawn and Kailena Anderson have also been selected to perform the National Anthem at the state football championships.

Mr. Van Essen's geography class was commended for starting a paper recycling project in the high school building.

Supt. Bailey reported that the number of hits/views on the sports ticket live webpage has increased dramatically over the last year. Mrs. Larson and her students were recognized for their contributions to that project.

Superintendent Report

Notification has been received that the Platte-Geddes School District met both teacher compensation accountabilities required by SDCL 13-13-76.6. No further action is required.

The district received approval from the South Dakota Department of Transportation to put a crosswalk sign at the intersection of Illinois Avenue and Highway 44. The school will partner with the city to ensure that the sign is put out and picked up every night.

Supt. Bailey and Kathy Holter attended the School Law Conference in Pierre on October 3-4. Topics covered included Juvenile Justice Reform, Standing for the National Anthem, Bid Laws, Surplus Property, Service Animals in Schools, Criminal Background Checks, School Use of Restraints, School Data Security, and Conflict of Interest. ASBSD will also be hosting a Fall Region Meeting in Mitchell on Thursday, October 12 to discuss potential legislation for the 2018 session and gather feedback on ASBSD's legislative platform, as well as detail the latest services offered by ASBSD. Board members were invited and encouraged to attend.

Beck Motors in Pierre has been awarded several state bids for vehicles. The district has been in the market for a different school car. Beck Motors has two options available: a Chevy Malibu, with a base price of \$17,429 or a Chevy Impala, with a base price of \$20,747. Either option would meet the district's needs. Supt. Bailey presented this information to the board for their consideration of a future purchase.

The Title I Consolidated Application and IDEA Flow Through Application have been submitted to the Department for review and approval. With the changes required by the Every Student Succeeds Act, the Consolidated Application required a great deal of additional work.

Supt. Bailey outlined the agenda for the Staff Professional Development day on Friday, October 13. Training on the Star 360 program, reviewing information from assessments, completing individualized professional development goals and student learning objectives, and setting district goals will be included in the day's activities.

The Buildings and Grounds Committee has briefly discussed exploring options for replacing the tile floor in the multipurpose room gym. JWood Sports Flooring was in the area recently and presented some possible options. They will be submitting cost estimates based on two different types of wood floors and a polyurethane option. If the board would like to pursue this project, the process should begin relatively soon.

Mr. Neugebauer, Mrs. Larson, Mrs. Olsen and Supt. Bailey have had their second conference call with Aptegey to design the district's new website and app. Supt. Bailey showed the board what the new website and app will look like and also highlighted some of the new features.

September 29 was count day for all public schools in South Dakota. The Department of Education takes enrollment data from Infinite Campus and uses it to establish each school district's enrollment. These numbers are then used to establish our recommended student-teacher ratio and state funding.

Secondary Principal Report

Parent-Teacher Conferences were held last Thursday. Conferences for students in grades 7-12 were held in the high school gym. This format seemed to work well and Mr. Frederick reported about an 80% turnout.

Current enrollment in grades 7-12 remains at 186 students. Mr. Frederick has started discussions on possible changes to graduation. Options for time of graduation, speakers, and class night have been the major topics. Mr. Frederick will continue to work with the seniors and communicate with the parents, advisors and administration.

The first Parent Advisory Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, October 26th at 6:00 p.m.

Elementary Principal Report

Mrs. Knecht reported on a great turnout for Parent-Teacher Conferences. If parents cannot make their assigned time work, they generally reschedule.

The Platte-Geddes Elementary Parent Advisory Committee met on Thursday, October 5. They set their number one goal of the year as creating an environment of a partnership school with parents and community members. Other topics discussed included homework, standards based grading, Habit of Mind, and activities for the group.

The Platte-Geddes Elementary Student Council will meet on Tuesday, October 10 to begin planning events for this school year. They are planning an October "PINK" activity as well as possibly doing something for the individuals recovering from the hurricanes in Texas and Florida.

Mrs. Knecht invited the board members to take a look at the mural the elementary art students have been painting. Mrs. Witt has included every elementary class in the project.

Business Manager Report

The exit review for the 2016-2017 audit went well. Segregation of duties was the only formal finding. Until the federal regulations change, this will continue to exist.

K. Holter may be attending an area state's ASBO Conference to observe the format and structure of their conference. Officers of the SDASBO Organization would like to incorporate new ideas to revamp their conferences and revitalize their membership. This would be funded through her state organization.

K. Holter reported on a recent SASD Professional Services Committee meeting she attended. This committee focuses on how SASD can better serve their members through professional development opportunities, benefits offered to members, and awards.

An explanation of the current funding formula and a financial projection were reviewed with the board. Information on student enrollment, expenditures, revenues, mill levies, valuations, General Fund balance, and future trends were discussed.

Committee Reports

Mid Central Educational Cooperative and Core Educational Cooperative Reports

Supt. Bailey gave reports from recent meetings of the Mid Central and Core Educational Cooperatives.

District Report Card

Supt. Bailey reviewed the results of the 2017 District Report Card.

First Reading Policies GDA-GDPD

The board gave first reading to Policies GDA-GDPD, Personnel-Support Staff.

First Reading Policies AH, AH-E(1), AH-E(2)

The board gave first reading to Policies AH, AH-E(1), and AH-E(2), Conflict of Interest Disclosure and Authorization.

Appoint Delegate Assembly Representative and Alternate

The board appointed Jess Sondgeroth as Representative and Marlon Ferguson as Alternate for ASBSD Delegate Assembly to be held on November 17th.

Approve Sick Bank Leave Request for Mrs. Jennifer Semmler

Motion R. Van Zee, seconded M. Ferguson approving the recommendation from the Platte-Geddes Educational Association Sick Leave Bank Committee for one-half day of sick leave from the sick leave bank for Jennifer Semmler. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Set Date for November Board Meeting

The November Board Meeting will be held on its regular scheduled date of Monday, November 13th at 7:00 p.m. in the Elementary Library.

Adjournment

Motion T. Meyerink, seconded R. Van Zee to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

President

Business Manager