

Sanborn Central School District
December Board of Education Meeting Synopsis
December 13th, 2021

-Order was called with the Pledge of Allegiance: Curtis Adams was not present, all other members were in attendance.

-There were no additions to the agenda.

-There were no visitors to the meeting.

-Approved the Agenda, Minutes and Financial Reports.

-Superintendent Siemsen reported the following:

Girls and Boys Basketball are underway, with the first contests being held on December 12th. We are currently continuing with required masking. This will continue to be in affect at all activities that take place within the school building until we move back into our "Green" phase. At this time, there will not be any other limitations regarding attendance (Mandatory Masks and Social Distance as much as possible). The adjusted Christmas Concert was held on December 8th. Mrs. Easton and Mrs. Hofer are to be congratulated on preparing the students in this odd time. The students performed well and should be congratulated as well. State-wide Superintendent meeting scheduled to be held after the Governor's budget address was canceled due to COVID. However, she did propose a 2.4% increase to fund education. A surprise to say the least. Semester tests are scheduled for December 18th and 21st. Christmas Break begins on December 22nd, with an early dismissal at 11:00 am, and going through January 3rd, as school resumes for the second semester on January 4th.

-Principal Vermeulen reported the following:

Basketball season has begun. Dakota Players Children's theater was a success. This year the first performance took place on Friday afternoon instead of two performances on Saturday. A total of 34 students participated. No 7th or 8th grade students, which was disappointing. The Needs Assessment process is progressing. I wish to thank Miss Farrell-Poncelet, Miss Jones, and Miss Larson for their assistance. We will be attending two more sessions in order to complete the process. Olivia Conrad was named Regional Winner in the VFW essay contest. The colony concert will be held on December 20th at 7:30.

-Other Discussion Items:

Justin Enfield further described his work with the turf team at SDSU in hopes of developing a concrete plan to help address the football field issues. The Board would like to thank the Town and Country Kids 4H group for the popcorn gift. We will look to hold the monthly board of education meeting at the colony site in February, weather permitting. There was no presence from the public to offer thoughts on the Return to School Plan. Some board members commented that it would be nice if periodically some representation from the SCEA would be in attendance at board meetings (not every meeting necessarily). With Business manager Bechen being gone for the next meeting date, an alternate date was chosen to accomidate.

-There was no old business to address.

-Approved the transfer of \$25,000 from the general fund to the enterprise fund.

-Adjournment at 7:54pm

Next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 18th, 2022.