

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
NEWELL SCHOOL DISTRICT #9-2
January 14, 2019**

I. Call to Order

Chairman Miles Burtzlaff called the regular meeting of the Newell Board of Education to order at 1830 with members Darren Alexander, Leanne Wells, LeeAnn Gaer, Brianne Bonnet and Lisa Wendt present. Todd Youngberg was absent. Administration present were Superintendent Robin Dutt, Principal Jennifer Nehl, Special Education Director Tonya Mullaney, and Athletic Director Steve Schoenfish. Recording minutes was Business Manager, Sophie Burditt. Staff and Visitors at the meeting were Jeremiah Weeldreyer, Vikki Morell, Mike Phelps, Scott Wince, Karen Wallace, Jessica McGregor, Noreen Yule, Sabrina Harmon, Jessica Gatzke, Will Quinn, Cody Ertman and Chuck Bruner

- A. Burtzlaff led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- B. Burtzlaff asked for a moment of silence.

Unless otherwise noted, all Board action was by unanimous decision.

II. Agenda

- A. Additions/Changes: Move Item XI. after New Business, Item X. to after XI. and add C. to Item V.
- B. Motion Alexander, second Wendt to approve agenda as modified. Motion carried.

III. Statements of Conflict of Interest

None

IV. Consent Agenda

Motion Wells, second Gaer to approve: A. Minutes from Regular Meeting on December 10, 2018, B. Payment of Bills and C. Financial Reports. Motion carried.

V. Presentation

A. Thank you to Brandon and Jessica Gatzke for their generous donations. Ms. Nehl presented the Gatzke family with a plaque, as a huge thank you for the three new bottle water fountains, a \$500 gift card to the Library and a \$500 gift card to the Art department. There will also be a plaque in the gym displayed like the ones for the gym floor.

B. Johnson Controls: Will Quinn, is here to explain where Johnson Controls is with fixing items and a new item. First, school insurance inspector was out to inspect and said that the plumbing of the propane tank into the mechanical room and two valves might not meet the state codes. This is not a safety issue. Johnson Control is checking on whether the plumbing of the tank and the two valves are grandfathered in. The three pressure regulators and Coalescing filter have been replaced. They did a full check of the system while it was down and they cleaned Y strainers and fixed a torn coupler. They set the air returns to zero as the building is not air tide, and set the elementary not to switch to off hours if temperature drops below 30 degrees. There was a leak discovered at the filter, Johnson Control will be addressing this January 28, 2019. Two of the boilers have not tripped on flare fail since the replacement of regulators. The factory regulator at the third boiler needs replaced. The pumps are working the way they are supposed to and they will keep working on the water balancing. They are still going to install the sheet metal for the vents on the outside fittings.

C. Thanks to the Stomprud family for showing up all the time to play in the community band.

VI. Reports

Staff members gave reports at this time.

VII. Open Forum

Sabrina gave information on the Dental Mobil; they were here for three days, saw 63 students and preformed \$24,000 in serves. She also reported there would be a Legislators Cracker Barrel on February 9, 2019 10:00 at City Hall. A Senior and Junior trip to Pierre on January 15, 2019 hosting lunch at the visitors' center for legislators and pictures with the Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

Parents are looking for a change in the Lice Policy that if lice is found at home a letter will be sent out informing parents to be on watch instead of a letter only if it is found at school. Also, would like the school to have informational packets available to families on how to identify and treat lice.

VIII. Old Business

None.

IX. New Business

A. Motion Alexander, second Wells to approve hire of Jo Musumeci for part-time Special Education Aide at \$10 per hour. Funds for this position will come from Special Education IDEA. Motion carried.

B. Motion Wells, second Wendt to approve Brianne Bonnet seat on the Newell Foundation. Roll call: Bonnet, abstain; Wendt, yes; Gaer, yes; Wells, yes; Alexander, yes; and Burtzlaff, yes. Motion carried.

C. Motion Wendt, second Alexander set School Board election date April 9, 2019. Motion carried.

Petitions can start being circulated on January 25, 2019.

D. Motion Wendt, second Wells to adopt 2019-2020 School Calendar (<http://5il.co/63xb>). Discussion on the start date for school. Roll call: Bonnet, yes; Wendt, no; Gaer, yes; Wells, yes; Alexander, yes; and Burtzlaff, yes. Motion carried.

E. Motion Alexander, second Gaer to approve change in the Student Handbook to add new age wording to the preschool section. Motion carried.

F. Motion Wells, second Alexander to approve contracts for Middle School Boys Basketball coaches, Lonnie Johnston and Donnie Decker. Motion carried.

G. Motion Gaer, second Wells to deny enrollment of 2019-004, 2019-005 and 2019-006. Discussion was that the school numbers for Special Education are at over capacity at this time. Motion carried.

H. Motion Alexander, second Wendt to approve the Superintendent to establish Newell as a district testing school for ACT tests. Discussion was held and the date will be April 22, this year. Motion carried.

I. Motion Wells, second Gaer to accept resignation of Tyrell Bonnet as Science teacher. Roll call: Bonnet, abstain; Wendt, yes; Gaer, yes; Wells, yes; Alexander, yes; and Burtzlaff, yes. Motion carried.

J. Motion Alexander, second Wells to accept resignation of Jen Nehl as PreK-12 Principal. Motion carried.

XI. Intent to rehire for 2019-2020 school year

A. Motion Gaer, second Wendt to rehire Special Education Director - Tonya Mullaney. Motion carried.

B. Motion Wells, second Alexander to rehire Superintendent - Robin Dutt. Motion carried.

X. Executive Session SDCL (personnel matters) SDCL 1-25-2 (1)

Motion Wells, second Gaer to enter in to Executive Session SDCL 1-25-1 (1) at 1927. Motion carried.

Board returned to regular session at 2014.

Motion Alexander, second Gaer to advertise for K-12 Principal and HS Science Teacher. Motion carried.

XII. Adjournment

Motion Alexander, second Wendt to adjourn at 2015. Motion carried.

Unapproved Minutes

(s) _____

Miles Burtzlaff, Chairman

Attest(s) _____

Sophie Burditt, Business Manager

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