

Big Sandy Public Schools
Regular Meeting
October 17, 2017 7:00 p.m.
High School Computer Room

Trustees Present: Diana LaBuda, Chairperson
Darin Genereux
Brandon Gasvoda
Andrew Long

Trustee Absent: Brad Weaver

Staff Present: Brad Moore, Superintendent
Heather Wolery, Principal
Maryetta Engle, Clerk

Visitors Present: Jessica Roth, Amy Terry, Travis Baumann, Andrea Rutledge, Jasmine Genereux,
Emily Wheeler, Amanda Robertson and Cecilia Bjornestad

1. Call to Order
Chairperson Diana LaBuda called the meeting to order.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. Welcome Guests
Chairperson Diana LaBuda welcomed the guests.
4. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting
Darin Genereux moved Diana LaBuda seconded to approve the minutes of September 11, 2017 regular meeting. Discussion. Unanimous.

Andrew Long moved Darin Genereux seconded to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2017 special meeting. Discussion. Unanimous.
5. Public Comments to the Board
NONE
6. Correspondence
A letter was received from Ms. Amy Terry regarding rental house lease. Copy attached.
7. Student Council Report
Student Council president Jessica Roth reported that Spirit Week/Chili Feed went well. Student Council is also looking into some community improvement projects such as a clean-up day and painting the fire hydrants.
8. Old Business
 - a. Building Maintenance Projects
Two bids were received for the locker room project. Copies attached.

Brandon Gasvoda moved Darin Genereux seconded to accept the bid from Prairie Sage, Inc. Discussion. Unanimous.

b. Senior Trip

Jessica Roth, Andrea Rutledge, and Jasmine Genereux presented a request for the senior class to go to Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin May 10 through 15, 2018 for their senior trip.

Darin Genereux moved Diana LaBuda seconded to approve the senior trip to Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin May 10 through 15, 2018. Discussion. Unanimous.

c. Board Goals

No changes or additions were made to the 2017-18 Board Goals.

1. Maintain and continue to improve student involvement and pride in student activities.
2. Continue to improve test scores.
3. Continue to have more Board outreach and advocacy to the community.
4. Improve the facilities.
5. Continue to work on recruitment and retention of quality staff.

9. New Business

a. Matthew's Substitute Bus Driver-Ralph Merrill

Brandon Gasvoda moved Darin Genereux seconded to approve Ralph Merrill as Matthew's substitute bus driver. Discussion. Unanimous

b. Attendance Policy (Tardies)

Travis Baumann brought some concerns/issues he had with the new attendance policy. Through discussion it was decided that Supt. Moore and Principal Wolery would contact some other school districts to see what their policies are. No action was taken at this time.

c. Security System Upgrade

Superintendent Moore discussed the possibility of expanding and updating the current security system. He will obtain bids to present at a future meeting.

d. Concessions Manager 2018-19

Lisa Sipler will resign as the concessions manager at the end of the 2018 school year.

Brandon Gasvoda moved Darin Genereux seconded to advertise the position for two weeks with the ability to hire the position at the November meeting. Discussion. Unanimous.

e. Bullying Software

Superintendent Moore demonstrated the bullying software Bridg-It. No action was taken at this time.

f. Winifred Student Attendance Agreements

Andrew Long moved Diana LaBuda seconded to approve the Winifred Student Attendance agreements. Discussion. Unanimous.

g. MtSBA Recommended Policy Changes-SECOND READING

Required Changes: Policy 1005FE-Proficiency Based ANB, 1006FE-Transfers for School Safety, 1009FE-Flexible Instructor Licensing, 3224-Student Dress, 3416-Administering Medicine to Students, 5122F-Applicant Rights and Consent to Fingerprint

New Policies: 1014FE and 1014FE-F1-Intent to Increase Non-Voted Levy and Form, Policy 3124-Military Compact Waiver, 4350-Website Accessibility and Nondiscrimination

Darin Genereux moved Diana LaBuda seconded to approve the Mtsba required policy changes and new policies listed. Discussion. Darin Genereux moved Andrew Long seconded to amend the motion to strike 4350-Website Accessibility and Nondiscrimination from the policy approval list because of the costs associated with implantation of the policy/law are unacceptable. Discussion. Unanimous.

h. Halloween Party

Darin Genereux moved Andrew Long seconded to host the Halloween Party on October 31, 2017 from 7 pm to 9pm.

10. Reports

a. Clerk-

The clerk will be attending MCEL in Billings October 18 through 20, 2017.

b. Principal

The first MBI workshop was held on Friday, October 13, 2017. The MBI committee will meet once per month.

c. Superintendent-

-Supt. Moore reported that we will probably have a makeup day in April due to the snow day October 3, 2017.

-When reviewing student data, Supt. Moore found that even though the number of Title I students was lower, the number of Special Education students had increased.

-Due to Thanksgiving, the November Board meeting will be moved to Thursday, November 16, 2017 at 7 pm.

11. Approval of Claims

Darin Genereux moved Andrew Long seconded to approve K-12 District #2 claims. Discussion. Unanimous. Copy Attached

Claim warrants 46793 through 46835. Payroll warrants 34732 through 34765. Direct Deposit batches 125 through 127.

12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14 pm.

13. Board Work Session

The Board of Trustees worked to create a cell phone usage survey.


District Clerk


Chairperson, Board of Trustee

