

SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-4

Monday October 21, 2019
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
5:00 p.m. WORK SESSION
6:00 p.m. - BOARDROOM

- I. CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Springfield School District was called to order by Board Vice-President, Rick Birdsong at 6:07 p.m.
- A. ROLL CALL:
1. MEMBERS PRESENT: Clinton Arbuthnot, Rick Birdsong, Tyler Gibson and Kay Maes.
 2. MEMBERS ABSENT: Larry Duncan.
Kay Maes made a motion to excuse the absence of Board President, Larry Duncan. Tyler Gibson seconded the motion. Motion passed.
 3. SCHOOL PERSONNEL PRESENT: Richard Hargrove, Kyle Lasley, Pam Hartley, Brooke Hartley.
 4. GUESTS PRESENT: Jennifer Swanson, Shawn Crane, Doug Hutches
- II. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: Superintendent Hargrove recommended that Springfield Recreational District Request be added to the agenda as NEW BUSINESS, Item D.
- III. APPROVE THE AGENDA: Clinton Arbuthnot made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of Springfield Recreational District Request to New Business. Tyler Gibson seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- IV. ROUTINE ITEMS:
- A. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE September 23, 2019 Regular Meeting. Tyler Gibson made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 23, 2019 regular meeting as presented. Kay Maes seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- B. FINANCIAL REPORTS: The board reviewed and discussed the October financial reports. Mr. Hargrove noted that there are several budget items that will be adjusted before the final budget is submitted in January.
- C. QUARTERLY REPORTS: The board reviewed the quarterly reports.
- D. CLAIMS PAYABLE – October 21, 2019: The board reviewed the Claims Payable report. Tyler Gibson made a motion to approve the October 21, 2019 Claims Payable. Clinton Arbuthnot seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- V. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

IF YOU ARE HERE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING:

Welcome to the open forum portion of our meeting. We appreciate your interest in participating in this conversation time with the Springfield School District RE-4 Board of Education. A sign-up sheet was provided at the entrance to the Board meeting for all persons wishing to address the Board. It is requested that comments be limited to five minutes per speaker. Patrons are invited to share comments with the Board in an orderly manner that is consistent with the respect and dignity that should be part of a Board of Education public meeting. The Board will require that speakers and audience members adhere to basic standards of civility and, with limited time available, as the Board President, I may need to limit or terminate discussion to maintain decorum or to give as many people as possible the opportunity to speak. The Board will not take any action during this time. It is the preference of the Board that comments concerning District personnel be addressed in executive session. Discussion of individual students must occur in executive session. Please inform the Board if you intend to make comments concerning District personnel or students so those comments may be heard in executive session.

- A. CORRESPONDENCE: None

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. DISCUSS AND APPROVE BUS PURCHASE: Transportation Director, Joel Roberson was unable to attend so Superintendent Hargrove distributed information Joel has gathered about 2 used and 1 new diesel bus. Mr. Hargrove stated that Mr. Roberson is not 100% sold on either of the two used buses or the cost of a new bus. After reviewing details of the various buses, Mr. Hargrove recommended that the board table the decision to purchase and allow more time to look for other buses and investigate a couple of possible grant opportunities that could be applied toward purchase price. The board agreed that they would like more information and options.

- B. DISCUSSION ON WORK SESSION: The board and Mr. Hargrove reviewed a few of the details discussed in the earlier work session with DCS and RTA. It is the general consensus of the board that the district stay on a timeline to submit a grant request by the end of February. The district would know by mid-May if the grant was or was not approved. If approved the next step would be to start public education about a bond issue with the goal to have the bond issue on the November ballot.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. UPDATE ON OCTOBER STUDENT COUNT: Mr. Hargrove reported that based on this year's October student count and the state averaging process in the past, it looks like funded numbers could be pretty close to last year. However he is not sure how the all-day kindergarten funding will affect the averaging.
- B. DISCUSS AND APPROVE WRESTLING CO-OP WITH WALSH: Superintendent. Hargrove shared that Springfield may have 3 or 4 high school students participating in wrestling and Walsh feels they may have only 1. Bill Forgey has agreed to be head coach for the wrestling coop. Kay Maes made a motion to approve a wrestling coop with Walsh School District for the 2019-20 wrestling season. Clinton Arbuthnot seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- C. DISCUSS AND APPROVE CHRISTMAS BONUS: The board and Superintendent Hargrove discussed the annual employee Christmas bonus. The bonus is included in the 19-20 budget, allowing for a net \$100.00 cash bonus for part-time employees and a net \$200.00 cash bonus for full-time employees. The cash bonuses will be handed out personally by board members on 12-18-19. Tyler Gibson made a motion to approve giving a net cash bonus of \$200.00 to all full-time school district employees and a net cash bonus of \$100.00 to all part-time district employees. Kay Maes seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- D. SPRINGFIELD RECREATION DISTRICT REQUEST: Springfield Rec Board members; Shawn Crane, Brooke Hartley and Doug Hutches addressed the school board regarding the Rec District's need for a plot of land where a recreational facility could be built. They are trying to bring to completion a plan that has been under development for several years. There is land available next to the ballpark complex, but optimally they would like to locate the facility within the city limits and preferably in closer proximity to school to allow for students to safely walk there after school, as well as making it easily accessible to the more elderly persons who can also utilize the facility. They were inquiring as to the possibility of using a portion of the school property located north of the track & football facility. Because new construction and/or remodeling projects are currently being investigated by the school district, the board felt it might be something that could be considered, but at a much later time once more specific plan are in place. Board members communicated to the Rec board members that if the desire is to proceed right away with construction, they should continue searching for a different location.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION: C.R.S. 24-6-402(4) (): None
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IX. ACT ON EXECUTIVE SESSION: No action

X. REPORTS

- A. JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH PRINCIPAL – KYLE LASLEY: Mr. Lasley distributed his October, 2019 Board Report and reviewed the items listed. These included; the approaching conclusion of fall athletics, recognition of Benisa Ellis qualifying to compete in State Cross-Country, the end of 1st quarter, planned presentation of the drama class performance sometime after Christmas break, an update on the high school knowledge bowl team, and reported that the LCC College Fair and Career Expo was a good experience for the 10-12 grade students who attended accompanied by Mrs. Ginger Walker.
- B. SUPERINTENDENT/ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL REPORT – RICHARD HARGROVE: Superintendent Hargrove talked about several items listed on his October, 2019 BOE update in the board packet. He shared that it is that time of year again when he will be meeting with our health insurance carrier to talk about plans and premiums for 2020. The elementary parent-teacher conferences had very good attendance, and the playground construction is complete and the facilities are being enjoyed by the students. A lot of planning has gone in to the AIM-XL Wellness Fair which will be the first week of November. There will be different types of sessions for elementary, junior high and high school with each session offering grade level appropriate activities and/or information. The elementary participated again this year in the "Share the Spirit" program that gives shoes to several of our students. He shared some information on Proposition CC and talked about changes in the Accountability Frameworks recently approved by the State School Board.

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- XI. OTHER ITEMS TO DISCUSS:
 - 1. THANKSGIVING TURKEYS – the turkeys have been ordered and will be distributed to all employees before Thanksgiving break.

- XII. BOARD MEETING DATES:
 - 1. REGULAR BOARD MEETING – November 18, 2019—REORGANIZATION OF BOARD
The reorganization meeting will start at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, November 18, 2019, with the regular session beginning at 6:30 p.m.

- XIII. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD: None

- XIV. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned by consensus of the board at 7:10 p.m.

Larry Duncan, President

Kay Maes, Secretary

Rick Birdsong, Vice-President

Tyler Gibson, Treasurer

Clinton Arbuthnot, Director