

The Sturgeon Board of Education met in a closed meeting on Thursday, February 11, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. for the Superintendent's evaluation/CTA Board Appreciation Meal, followed by the regular board meeting at 7:00 p.m. Seven board members were present: Tim Parkinson, Mike Guilford, Denise Flaspohler, Misty Doss, Charles King, Kevin Smith, Heather Dougherty. Others present: Shawn Schultz, Superintendent; Becky Schafer, High School Principal; Brandee Brown, K-8 Principal; Jeff Carr, Curriculum/Transportation Director; Penny Fadler, Special Education Director; Dominik Lehman, staff member; parent and students; Friends of FFA members; a Guard Reporter; and minutes were taken by Peggy Leerhoff, secretary to the superintendent and board of education.

The regular board meeting was called to order by President, Tim Parkinson, at 7:06 p.m. Trace #'s 1536, 1566, and 1567 were removed from the consent agenda.

Motion was made by Misty Doss, seconded by Charles King to approve the consent agenda.

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

Motion was made by Mike Guilford, seconded by Misty Doss to approve trace 1536 for payment.

Yeas: 6

Abstain: 1 (Denise Flaspohler)

Motion was made by Mike Guilford, seconded by Misty Doss to approve trace 1566 for payment.

Yeas: 6

Abstain: 1 (Charles King)

Motion was made by Charles King, seconded by Denise Flaspohler to approve trace 1567 for payment.

Yeas: 6

Abstain: 1 (Mike Guilford)

PTSO representative, Christine Vaughn, reported the Trashbag Fundraiser will run February 12-22. Information will be going home with students tomorrow. The PK-4 Winter Dance will be held February 27. Admission to the dance will be non-perishable canned food items which will be donated to the local food pantry. Movie night will be held in April. Teacher Appreciation will be observed in May.

Tim Parkinson presented students with certificates for their accomplishments this month.

Shawn Schultz, Superintendent, recognized the School Board Members for their work on the board. Each received a certificate. The CTA served a meal before the meeting.

Mr. Schultz presented a Financial Disclosure Statement for Denise Flaspohler. Denise works for Master Tech Plumbing whom we do business with on a regular basis. MSBA requires this be filed and approved by the board.

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Motion was made by Mike Guilford, seconded by Misty Doss to approve the Financial Disclosure Statement.

Yeas: 6

Abstain: 1 (Denise Flaspohler)

Shannon Bright, Friends of FFA president, presented a donation letter for the board to review. The Friends of FFA would like to ask for donations from individuals and businesses to fund an Ag/FFA building on the High School Campus. The thought is the building could be constructed on the north end of the high school building to the east. She stated a building committee would be formed for this project. A couple parents have expressed interest in serving on the committee. The board asked that a committee be formed and the location and size of the building be planned with details and information brought to the board. No building will begin until these steps are completed. The board gave permission to begin sending out the donation letter. She stated that the process of obtaining a 501c3 has been started. This will enable the program to apply and obtain grants currently not available to them. She respectfully asked the board to consider including funding for the Ag/FFA program for the 2016-17 budget year.

Becky Schafer, High School Principal, stated she has been absent lately due to illness. Kevin Hicks and John Kruse have been acting administrators in her absence. The men have done excellent work which she appreciates.

Brandee Brown, K-8 Principal, stated the Cyber Crimes Unit and Officer James will give a presentation on Sexting to our 6th-8th grade students February 17, at 8:30 a.m., in the gym. Office James will present A.L.I.C.E. for Kids on February 26. Preparation for MAP testing is underway. The teachers had a workshop last week and were given practice test materials.

Jeff Carr, Curriculum Director, presented a report on Summer School. He stated a neighboring school would not be holding Summer School this year and that we may be able to capitalize on that situation.

Jeff Carr, Transportation Director, presented the board with 3 bids and options for the purchase of a new bus for the 2016-17 school year. The new bus would replace a route bus. Bus 6 would be used as a trade.

A motion was made by Mike Guilford, seconded by Misty Doss to approve the lease purchase of a Thomas bus from Midwest Bus Sales for \$82,756, with financing through LJ Hart.

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

Mr. Schultz presented upcoming calendar revisions to accommodate the Conference contests Sturgeon is hosting this year.

A motion was made by Mike Guilford, seconded by Misty Doss to approve the following changes to the calendar:

Change March 10 early dismissal to a full day on March 3 for Jr. High Scholars Bowl competition

Change April 4 early dismissal to a full day on March 14 for High School Scholars Bowl competition.

Add March 15 to the calendar for Speech and Drama Competition. Also a full day

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

A letter will go home with students regarding these changes.

Mr. Schultz gave the board an update on board vacancies/April Election. Two candidates filed for the two open seats, Kevin Smith and Jill Halliburton. No election will be needed. Kevin and Jill will be sworn in at the April board meeting.

The board set the date of the next regular board meeting, March 10, 2016, to discuss administrators and teachers evaluations/contract issuance. The board will meet March 10, at 6:00 p.m., in closed session to discuss administration evaluations.

A motion was made by Mike Guilford, seconded by Charles King to continue using Central Bank of Boone County as the district depository.

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

A change order for \$18,000 was presented for the High School discus/shot put area. The board would like to see numbers on where we stand with current building projects before moving forward with this. Mr. Schultz will get exact numbers for them to review. We are still waiting on solid pricing for the Fume Hood for the new High School Science lab. Before moving forward with the purchase of a refrigerator for the new Science lab, the board asked that the exact size needed be determined.

Mr. Schultz stated he was very pleased with the turn out and audience participation at the Community Forum held on Tuesday. He has started a community survey on Survey Monkey. The board will review the survey before it is made available. Mr. Schultz has contacted 6 of the closest 4 day per week schools to see if parents, students, and administration would be able to come here for a public forum. He is awaiting responses.

The board met with Mr. Schultz in closed session to discuss his evaluation. He is on the second year of a 3 year contract. The board does not need to make any decisions at this time.

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Motion was made by Mike Guilford, seconded by Misty Doss to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

_____ Tim Parkinson, president

_____ Peggy Leerhoff, secretary