

The Sturgeon Board of Education met in a special board meeting on Monday, January 15, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the superintendent's evaluation followed by the regular board meeting at 7:00 p.m. Seven board members were present: Tim Parkinson, Jill Halliburton, Denise Flaspohler, Misty Doss, Charles King, Kevin Smith, Heather Dougherty. Others present: Shawn Schultz, superintendent; John Kruse, High School Principal; Brandee Brown, K-8 Principal; Jeff Carr, Curriculum/Transportation Director; Penny Fadler, Special Education Director; staff members; and minutes were taken by Peggy Leerhoff, secretary to superintendent and board of education.

The special meeting was called to order by president, Tim Parkinson, at 6:26 p.m.

Motion was made by Charles King, seconded by Misty Doss to go into closed session to discuss personnel in compliance with Mo. Statue 610.021 subsection (3) Personnel and (13) Personnel Records. Roll call was taken.

Yeas: Tim Parkinson, Jill Halliburton, Denise Flaspohler, Misty Doss, Charles King, Kevin Smith, Heather Dougherty

Nays: 0

Motion was made by Misty Doss, seconded by Denise Flaspohler to go out of closed session and into regular session.

Roll call was taken.

Yeas: Tim Parkinson, Jill Halliburton, Denise Flaspohler, Misty Doss, Charles King, Kevin Smith; Heather Dougherty

Nays: 0

Trace #1292 was removed from the consent agenda.

Motion was made by Charles King, seconded by Misty Doss to approve the consent agenda minus Trace #1292.

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

Motion was made by Jill Halliburton, seconded by Denise Flaspohler to approve Trace #1292 for payment.

Yeas: 6

Nays: 0

Abstain: Kevin Smith

John Kruse, High School Principal, stated attendance has been down the last couple days due to the flu. The second semester is off to a good start.

Brandee Brown, K-8 Principal, stated several students have been out due to the flu and colds. Blue Pride Fridays kicked off this month. The purpose is to encourage kids to get involved with school and be proud of what they are learning and doing. The Principal's Reading Challenge will run January 8 through March 2. If the students meet their reading goals, they will make Ms. Brown into a human sundae. Preparation for MAP testing is underway. DRA scores show our students are progressing.

Jeff Carr, Curriculum/Transportation Director, stated the two used buses we were considering purchasing are no longer available. Most leases run through the end of the school year. The hope is something can be secured at that time.

Penny Fadler, Special Education Director, stated Pre School is getting lots of interest due to new families moving to the district and annual screenings coming soon. Word is spreading to district patrons about the good things happening with our restructured program.

Mr. Parkinson asked what could be done to increase student attendance and support at sporting events. Several ideas were discussed with the thought in mind of having a plan in place for next school year.

Shawn Schultz, superintendent, gave a progress report on district goals. Many goals have been met or exceeded while others are being worked towards. He stated we currently pay 20% of a deputy's salary to have a SRO on campus daily during the school year. He plans to ask the sheriff's department if it is possible to have our SRO here during Summer School. Normally, he is reassigned during the summer months.

Mr. Schultz, gave a mid-year budget report. He stated we are on track with revenues and expenditures. The district has over spent in the area of Food Service Equipment due to replacing an old refrigerator. OM Contract Repairs is at 30% versus 96% spent at this time last year.

Approximately, \$48,000 remains to be spent in Bond Fund Proceeds. We have until July 2018 to spend the funds per L.J. Hart and Company. A bid has been requested for possibly adding on to the weight room. In the area of student educational needs, more chrome books, charging carts, and access points are needed.

Mr. Schultz reminded those present that board filings close tomorrow, January 16, at 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Schultz reviewed financial and statistical data for putting a possible 60 cent tax increase on the April 2018 ballot. He has researched board minutes and found the last increase to the operating tax levy was 25 cents in April 1981. The district is currently sitting at a 32% fund reserve balance. It is his goal to stay ahead of the curve and make sure the district is here for years to come. He would also like to be able to keep salaries competitive with other schools in our conference. After much discussion, it was decided to

see where we sit financially at the end of this fiscal year and make a determination at that time regarding placing a measure on the November 2018 ballot.

Motion was made by Misty Doss, seconded by Denise Flaspohler to accept the resignation of Superintendent Shawn Schultz effective the end of the 2017-18 school year.

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

Motion was made by Misty Doss, seconded by Denise Flaspohler, to adjourn the regular board meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

_____ Tim Parkinson, President

_____ Peggy Leerhoff, Secretary