

Regular School Board Meeting

The Regular Meeting of Independent School District #2854 was called to order at 7:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 11, 2020, by Chairman Mick Thompson in the Ada-Borup High School Board Room, Ada, Minnesota.

Members present: Dena Bishop, Janna Engel, Paul Johnson, Gretchen Rockstad, Mick Thompson, Nancy Merkens (via audio call).

Administration present: Aaron Cook, Josh Carlson, Bree Triplett, Margaret Dosland

Administration absent: None

Citizens present: Jim Birkemeyer, Ruth Hayden, Emily Lee, Pat Pfund,

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Consideration of district invoices.

Chairman M. Thompson called for public input: Pat Pfund informed the Administration and Board Members that Ada Catch the Spirit will be held at the Event Center March 26, 2020.

Motion by G. Rockstad/D. Bishop; approve the minutes of the Reorganizational and Regular School Board Meetings held January 14, 2020. UC

School Board Member Comments: Heard great comments from the Fertile-Beltrami spectators regarding the Boys Basketball team helping to pick up the trash after the game. Thanks to the Booster Club and volunteers for all their hard work with the tournaments.

Budget Report/Bookkeeper's Report

- 01 General Fund: \$132,078.91
- 02 Food Service: \$29,234.77
- 04 Community Service: \$1,812.60
- 06 Building Construction: \$66,022.97
- 07 Debt Redemption: \$426,021.25
- 21 Student Activities: \$7,081.92
- 28 Payroll: \$265,884.76

Building Administrator Aaron Cook reported:

- 1) Bond Sale
 - a. Bond was sold February 2, 2020, and put in a PMA (MN Trust) Account.
- 2) Calendar
 - a. 2020-2021 Calendar will be on next month's agenda for approval.
 - b. We have used 1 snow day for this school year; 2 days were built into the calendar.
- 3) Bus Purchase
 - a. Approval of bus purchase for the next fiscal year.
- 4) Norman County West
 - a. Dr. Hess has requested a meeting with Aaron and 2 Board chairpersons.
- 5) Legislative Day
 - a. This is for Superintendents and will be held February 27.
- 6) Enrollment
 - a. PreK-12 is still at 666.

High School Principal Josh Carlson reported:

- 1) FCCLA Week is this week
 - a. STAR Event Awards
 - i. Gold: Kaisa Jones, Miya Brandt, Mattie Stene, Tony Roesch, Kindlee Christianson, Charlee Miller, Cailie Boothe and Carlie Nerhus
 - ii. Silver: Carmen Kemper, Raegan Sargent, Lillian Bitker, and Lauren Nelson
- 2) FFA Week is next week with various activities planned.

- 3) Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held March 2nd.
- 4) Midterm ends February 21 and the Trimester March 6.
- 5) Senior Privileges – have open campus lunch.
- 6) The Districts Triple A Award winners were Kora Kritzberger and Mason Miller.
- 7) 6th grade students have been selling candy bars to offset the cost of a charter bus for their field trip.
- 8) Committees:
 - *Health & Safety – update student lists for the teachers.
 - *Transportation – new bus for next fiscal year.
 - *Staff Development – March 20 – will be working on E Learning.

Elementary Principal Bree Triplett reported:

- 1) Assessment testing – finishing setting up the days and times.
- 2) Happenings:
 - *Kerstyn Lindsey was the Elementary Spelling Bee Champion.
 - *Charles Scholl was the District Spelling Bee Champion and represented our school at the Regional Spelling Bee and did a nice job.
 - *Pennies for Patients were held with money given to the Charity and a student attending Ada-Borup.
 - *County Wide Knowledge Bowl Meet for grades 5 & 6 is March 2 with NCW, NCE and Ulen-Hitterdahl also participating.
 - *I Love to Read Month – doing fun activities.
 - *Read Across America – main focus is Dr. Seuss to help encourage reading.
 - *Parent Teacher Conferences will be held February 27 & March 2.
- 3) February Newsletter is on the website.

Activities Director Report:

Spring Coaches need approval.

- 1) Girls Basketball playoffs start February 24. The girls have a record of 13-4 and are #2 in Section 6A.
- 2) Boys Basketball playoffs begin March 5. The boys have a record of 16-1 and are #1 in Section 8A.

Committees:

- 1) Aaron Cook reported on Building and Grounds meeting.
- 2) Josh Carlson reported on Staff Development meeting.
- 3) Dena Bishop reported on transportation meeting.
- 4) Aaron Cook reported on Health & Safety meeting.

Motion by J. Engel/D. Bishop; approve Adoption of Agenda. UC

Old Business: none

New Business:

- A) Consent Agenda:
 - a. Motion by G. Rockstad/P. Johnson; approve minutes from the January 14 Reorganizational Meeting and Regular Meeting.
 - b. Motion by G. Rockstad/P. Johnson; approve accepted donations from the Booster Club and Bob Kinkade. UC
- B) Personnel
 - I. Leaves
 - a. Motion by D. Bishop/J. Engel; approve maternity leave request for Brittany Stoltman. UC
 - II. New Hires
 - a. Motion by G. Rockstad/D. Bishop; approve hiring Danielle Strotroen as paraprofessional. UC
 - b. Motion by P. Johnson/J. Engel; approve hiring Ashley Willison as paraprofessional. UC
- C) Motion by G. Rockstad/P. Johnson; approve purchase of a Bluebird bus for Fiscal Year 2021. UC
- D) Motion by D. Bishop/G. Rockstad; approve Spring Baseball Coaches.
 - *Michael Erickson – Head
 - *Dan Jorgenson – JV
 - *Nate McCraven – JH UC

- E) Motion by G. Rockstad/M. Thompson; approve Spring Softball Coaches
 - *Amy Johnson - Head
 - *Trevor Stewart - JV
 - *Aimee Smith – Volunteer
 - *Ross Engelstad – Volunteer UC
- F) Motion by G. Rockstad/D. Bishop; approve Spring Golf Coaches
 - *Janna Engel – Head
 - *Dave Nelson – Assistant
 - *Marsha Johnson – Volunteer
 - Abstain: Janna Engel Motion Carried
- G) Motion by D. Bishop/P. Johnson; approve Spring Track Coaches
 - *Ruth Hayden – Girls’ Head
 - * Kevin Lindell – Boys’ Head
 - *Assistant - TBD
 - *Spencer Ruebke –Volunteer
 - *Denny Marcussen – Volunteer
 - *Dallas Benesh – Volunteer UC

Next Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, March 10, at 7:00 a.m.

Motion by P. Johnson/G. Rockstad; adjourn Regular Meeting at 7:47 a.m. UC

Nancy Merkens, Clerk

Minutes prepared by: Margaret Dosland