

AUGUST 8, 2022

A regular meeting of the Sidney Public Schools Board of Trustees was held at 5:30 PM Monday, August 8, 2022, at the Administration Office on posted notice by the clerk. Present were Trustees Ben Thogersen, Kelly Dey, Josh McGahan, Lisa Gorder and Jon Marker. Also in attendance were Superintendent- Brent Sukut; District Clerk- Nicki Beyer, Assistant Business Manager- Tracy Click, High School Principal- Carl Dynneson, Middle School Principal- Ashley Copple, Curriculum Director- Thom Barnhart, West Side Principal- Sharri Vandall, Central School Principal- Sara Romo and Special Ed Director- Michelle Monsen. Absent were: Trustees: David Seitz, Randy Iversen and Alex Villegas; and High School Assistant Principal- Danny Coryell.

At 5:36 PM, Chairman Thogersen called the meeting to order and welcomed all community members attending or on conference call-in. Mr. Thogersen stated an opportunity for community comment on non-agenda items would be provided at the end of the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: No Committee Meetings

ADMINISTRATOR’S, SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT AND FINANCE REPORTS:

- June Investment Reports
- Thom Barnhart, Curriculum Director, providing testing score recaps
- 2022-2023 TRANSFERS:
 - Lina Buchanan – Title I Teacher to Grade 1 Teacher
 - Aleah Rosaaen – WS Speech Aide to Grade 1 Teacher
 - Tonya Schoepp – Central Title I Tutor to Grade 5 Teacher
 - Tawnie Tribbey – Grade 1 Teacher to Grade 4 Teacher
 - Sierra Wesolowski (Allen) – MS Title I Tutor to MS Special Education Teacher
- 2022-2023 RESIGNATIONS:
 - Monica Baisch – School Food Services Worker
 - Christy Nelson – Payroll & Personnel Clerk
 - Rebecca Thompson – MS Special Education Teacher

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT: NONE

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Approve June 27th, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes**
- B. Approval of June and July 2022 Claims Warrants # 233501 - 233602 in the amount of \$522,736.11**
- C. Cancel District Warrants and/or Associated Student Body Checks: None**
- D. Associated Student Body Information:**
 - o Approve the June 2022 Report
- E. 2022-2023 Out-of-District Attendance Agreements Approved for the following to attend Sidney Public Schools:**
 - District to District: Grade 7 & 8: *Brorson* (3); *Rau* (7) *Horse Creek, ND* (2) + 1 Grade 10
 - Parental Requests: *Brorson*: 2 (Gr 1); 1 (Gr 2); 1 (Gr 5); 5 (Gr 6) *Culbertson*: 1 (Gr 7)
 - Fairview*: 4 (Gr 1); 1 (Gr 3); 4 (Gr 6); 2 (Gr 7); 2 (Gr 8); 1 (Gr 9); 3 (Gr 10); 1 (Gr 12)
 - Rau*: 1 (Gr K2); 1 (Gr 5); 1 (Gr 6) *Savage*: 1 (Gr 5)
- 2022-2023 Denied Out-of-District Attendance Agreements to attend Sidney Public Schools:**
 - *Brorson* 1 (Gr 5)
- Acknowledge 2022-2023 Out-of-District Attendance Agreements for Sidney Students to attend Fairview Public Schools:**
 - 2 (Gr K); 1 (Gr 2); 1 (Gr 5); 1 (Gr 6); 2 (Gr 7); 1 (Gr 9); 3 (Gr 11)
- F. 2022-2023 Pre-School Program Student Enrollment Approved for the following 14 students:**

<i>STUDENT</i>	<i>CLASS</i>	<i>STUDENT</i>	<i>CLASS</i>	<i>STUDENT</i>	<i>CLASS</i>
BA 5.9.17	AM 5	MM 7.30.18	PM 4	LH 7.6.19	3
JB 8.14.18	AM 4	EB 6.3.17	PM 5	CH 4.26.19	3
PR 5.11.18	AM 4	EL 6.13.17	PM 5	AG 11.17.18	3
XNB 4.2.18	AM 4	RB 8.26.18	PM 4	GLC 11.28.18	3
JN	AM	RH 12.5.17	PM 4		

G. 2022-2023 Bus Routes Approval

Sped Route 10 100 Miles per Day

Regular Routes: *Route 1:* 20.5 Miles per Day *Route 2:* 64 Miles per Day
Route 3: 79.6 Miles per Day *Route 4:* 43.2 Miles per Day *Route 5:* 20 Miles per Day
Route 6: 55.0 Miles per Day *Transfer:* 6 Miles per Day

H. 2022-2023 Change Accounts

- High School ASB \$3,200 - Middle School ASB \$300

Ms. Dey moved and Mr. McGahan seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed 5 to 0.

DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA:

*** Bid Opening and Consideration of 2022-2023 Fuel Bids:**

Two bids received:

Miller’s Corner/Exxon: Dyed Diesel \$3.96/Gallon; On-Road Diesel \$3.95/Gallon; Unleaded \$3.16/Gallon

Town Pump/Conoco: (Requires use of WEX card as per current District practice) Bid consists of a \$.14 per gallon discount based on posted street price the day of purchase applicable at any Town Pump in the state This discount also applies to activity buses travelling for away events

Following discussion of terms, bus barn preferences, the posted price on the date noted and the benefit to activity budgets, Ms. Dey moved and Mr. Marker seconded the motion to approve Town Pump to serve as the 2022-2023 gas/fuel vendor. The motion passed unanimously.

*** 2022-2023 ELEMENTARY DISTRICT #5 AND HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #1 FINAL BUDGET HEARING:**

- Clerk Beyer and Assistant Business Manager Click presented the 2022-23 budgets for condiseration. The High School budget was complete but additional finalization was needed on the Elementary Budget
- Following review of distribution of projected oil and gas revenue, current taxable valuation numbers and mill levies as compared to 2021-2022, the Trustees elected to continue the final budget hearings for both Districts until 5:30 PM on Monday, August 15, 2022

*** PROJECT UPDATES:**

- Removal of carpet at the West Side library resulted in tiles coming up. The project was immediately halted awaiting abatement of the flooring for asbestos. A proposal has been received from Tetrattech regarding said abatement. The abatement price quoted is \$12,950. They have actually scheduled us for the end of the month. Once the abatement is successfully performed, the flooring installation will be continued and the library open to students. Opening of the library will be delayed about 2-3 weeks

*** FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STAFF IS MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2022.** A catered staff lunch is scheduled for noon and Board members are invited to assist in serving the meal

*** NEW HIRES:**

- Nancy Bassett – Speech/Language Pathologist
- Kaylie Davidson – 3rd Grade Special Education Teacher
- Irma Gonzales – School Foods Worker
- Hunter Gordon – Head Boys’ Basketball Coach
- Rakyle Hier – Grade 1 Classroom Instructional Aide
- Anil Kara – Head Girls’ Volleyball Coach
- Jackie Miller – Middle School Volleyball Coach
- Cheyenne Ryan – Assistant Softball Coach
- Shane Schantz – Middle School Football Coach
- Kelsey Storer – Special Education Aide
- Falon LaRoche – Special Education Aide

Visitor, Tyson Schledewitz, asked to address the Trustees regarding the hire of Hunter Gordon as head baseball coach. As a spokesperson for an unidentified group of parents/players, he expressed concerns regarding the temporary demise of the Richland County Legion program following a season led by Mr. Gordon. Discussion followed regarding the county baseball program as it pertained to the newly established high school program.

Ms. Dey then moved to approve the employment of the recommended hires as listed above for the 2022-2023 school year pending the results of fingerprint/background checks. The motion passed 4 to 0 following a second by Mr. McGahan with Mr. Marker abstaining due to a conflict of interest.

*** FIRST READING OF BOARD POLICIES 3210, 5002 AND 5012:**

- *BP 3210- EQUAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY, NONDISCRIMINATION AND SEX EQUITY:* Change Title IX Coordinator to Karen Pollari and Title 504 Coordinator to Michelle Monsen with updated contact information
- *BP 5002- ACCOMODATING INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES AND SECTION 504 OF THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973:* Change designation of the 504 Coordinator from the Superintendent to the Special Education Director
- *BP 5012- SEXUAL HARRASSMENT OF EMPLOYEES:* Change Title IX Coordinator to Karen Pollari with updated contact information

Ms. Dey moved and Mr. McGahan seconded the motion to approve the first reading of Board Policies 3210, 5002 and 5012. The motion passed 5 to 0.

OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMUNITY COMMENT: NONE

Additional Information:

Mr. Sukut reviewed the current plan regarding the resignation of Christy Nelson, Payroll and Personnel Clerk. At this time, Christy will work evenings and weekends to complete payroll and intends to train her replacement. The opening will be listed once a job description is finalized.

Topics for next agenda include:

- 1) Superintendent Goals and Quarterly Evaluation
- 2) Second Reading of Board Policies 3210, 5002 and 5012
- 3) Approval of 2022-2023 Bus Driver TR-35

At 6:28 PM Chairman Thogersen, with no further business to come before the Trustees, adjourned the meeting.

Board Chair

Approved: _____

Attest:

District Clerk