

Sidney Community School District
Board of Directors Regular Monthly Meeting
November, 20, 2023 6:00 pm 2754 Knox Road
Call meeting to order and determine quorum

Board Secretary Randy Albright called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Present were President Renee Johnson, Vice-President Justin Travis, and Directors Teresa Graham, Megan Franks and Darynn Ruiz. Also present were Superintendent Tim Hood, Secondary Principal Kim Payne, K-6 Principal Shannon Wehling, and Business Manager Bailey McNees.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Recognition of guests and public comment

There were 12 guests present. No public comment.

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Director Franks with second by Director Ruiz.

Motion carried 5 ayes to 0 nays.

Motion to approve the minutes of October meeting, consideration of bills to be paid, financial reports, fundraisers (BPA fundraiser), and examination of financial statements from previous year was made by Director Franks with at second by Vice-President Travis. Motion carried 5 ayes to 0 nays.

Adjournment of Retiring Board of Directors

Motion to adjourn the retiring board of directors was made by Director Franks with second by Vice-President Travis. Motion carried 5 ayes to 0 nays.

Newly Elected Board Members: Election Results

Secretary Albright read the abstract of votes for the Sidney School Director At-Large.

Justin J. Travis received 267 votes

Teresa J. Graham received 290 votes

Renee Johnson received 250 votes

Scattering received 17 votes

Total 824 votes

We therefore declare Justin Travis, Teresa Graham and Renee Johnson to be duly elected for the office of Sidney School Director At-Large for the term of 4 years.

Administer Oath of Office for newly elected Board Members

The Oath of Office was then given to Justin Travis, Teresa Graham, and Renee Johnson by Secretary Albright.

Reorganization of the Board

Motion to reorganize the board was made by Director Ruiz with second by Director Graham.

Motion carried 5 ayes to 0 nays. Secretary Albright called the organizational meeting of the board to order and determined a quorum.

Election of Board President

Secretary Albright then asked for nominations for President. Director Franks nominated Director Renee Johnson. Director Franks made a motion that nominations cease with second by Director Travis. Motion Carried. Director Johnson was elected President 4 ayes 1 abstain 0 nays.

President Johnson then took over meeting after taking the Oath of Office from Secretary Albright.

Election of Vice-President

President Johnson asked for nominations for Vice-President. Director Graham nominated Director Justin Travis. Director Ruiz made a motion that nominations cease with second by Director Franks. Motion Carried. Director Travis was elected Vice-President 4 ayes 1 abstain 0 nays.

Vice-President Travis then took the Oath of Office from Secretary Albright.

Reports

Mrs. Wehling presented the PK-6 report, Discussed Veteran's Day Program, Title I Parent night informational meeting, enrollment, open positions, and future dates.

Mrs. Payne presented the Secondary report. Discussed Veteran's Day Program, CC Vocal Festival, enrollment, open positions and upcoming dates.

Mr. Dunkeson presented the Maintenance report. Discussed 2 open custodial positions, sewer line backed up at Red Building (Wrestling room), new water meter at Elementary, Insurance company walk through at Elementary and High School, replacing outside light with LED lights make it brighter.

Mr. Lemrick presented the Transportation report. Discussed 3 Electric Busses on hold in Omaha for final installation items. Should be ready soon.

Mrs. Payne presented AD/Extra Curricular Report. Jr High Girls wrestling home meet tomorrow, HS Girls wrestling home meet next week. New Scoreboard arriving in December, hopefully install over Winter Break.

Mr. Tim Hood presented the Superintendent report. Bond update nothing new. Stadium update: Actively pursuing restroom and concession stand bids.

Discussion

Next Information Gathered for 4 Day a Week Consideration. Mr. Thatcher indicated he only heard positive comments and feedback from the Teacher/Parent Conferences about the 4-day school week. Both board and teachers agreed the next step would be to set up a Community Meeting. Board suggested to have more than one meeting scheduled which would give more opportunity for citizens of the community to attend. Mr. Thatcher is going to come up with dates and get back to board members.

Board Policies: 401.1, 503.1, 503.1R1, 503.2, 505.4, 510.10, 605.1, 605.1R1, 605.2 and 605.3.

Modified Supplemental Amount for Increased Open Enrollment. (\$22,905).

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Action Items

The following items were approved by the Board: 5 ayes to 0 nays

Information Gathered for 4 Day a Week Consideration. Board approved next step to set up 2 to 3 Community meetings.

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Approval of Resignation of Personnel

Board approved the following Resignations 5 ayes to 0 nays

Cassandra Higgs Elementary Para

Kaylee Greene Elementary Para

Ward Umbaugh Voc Ag and FFA advisor

Approval of Personnel

Robin Drennen – Part Time Assistant to SBO

Eli Bales – Strength & Conditioning/PE Teacher Asst Wrestling

Samanatha Welch – Asst Girls Basketball

Aaron Lang – JH Girls Wrestling

Sierra Scheubaum Preschool Teacher

Board Comments

Board thanked teachers for their time and effort putting together the 4-day School week information. Board members let teachers know they would be happy to visit with them and come to a faculty meeting to further discuss.

Celebrations

Fall Sports Awards

Cross Country

Corner Conference Awards

Coach of the Year: Steve Meyer- The Cowboys were the League's only conference team Champion this season, finishing with 31 points and seven ahead of runner-up Griswold.

Freshman of the Year: Carter Buttry- Carter finished second in the Corner Conference meet and was a State Qualifier.

Male All-Corner: Flynt Bell, sophomore and Carter Buttry, freshman.

Female All-Corner: Alexis Barret, freshman.

Volleyball

Corner Conference Awards

First Team: Lilly Peters, senior

Second Team: Eve Brumbaugh, senior and Gabi Jacobs, sophomore

Honorable Mention: Fallon Sheldon, senior

SWI All District: Gabi Jacobs

KMAland Conference Awards

All Senior: Eve Brumbaugh and Lilly Peters

All Sophomore: Gabi Jacobs

Freshman of the Year: Addy Foster

All Freshman: Addy Foster and Myler Maher

All Defense: Gabi Jacobs

Football

8-Man District 10 Awards

2nd Team: Braedon Godfread- Utility (Defense), Kolt Payne- Punter, and Michael Hensley- Returner.

Honorable Mention: LaDarius Albright- Linebacker and Grant Whitehead- Quarterback.

Football team was tied for 1st in District with 12 Student Athletes making All-Academic Team (3.25 + GPA. Sophomores-Seniors).

Seniors: Trevor Contreras, Bohlen, Gabe Johnson, and Elliot Ward.

Juniors: LaDarius Albright, Andreas Buttry, Braedon Godfread, Michael Hensley, Isaac Hutt, Kolt Payne, and Grant Whitehead.

Sophomores: Aiden Stenzel and Tate Mount.

Congratulations to our Student Athletes that competed in the Special Olympics State Bowling Tournament in Omaha, NE. All 5 students that competed brought home medals!

Xavier Ratliff and Terry Moyer placed 1st.

Helaena Wheeler got 2nd place.

Mallari Olson received 3rd place.

Weston Shipley placed 4th.

Sidney Graduate, Noah Jorgenson Placed 24th at the NCAA Division III Championship Cross Country Meet to earn All-American honors.

Congratulation to all of our student athletes!!

Closed Session

16. Closed Session 21.5 1(I) To Evaluate the Professional Competency of an Individual Whose Appointment, Hiring, Performance, or Discharge is being Considered when Necessary to Prevent Needless and Irreparable Injury to that Individual's Reputation and the Individual Request a Closed Session.

Motion to go into Closed session was made by President Johnson with a second by Director Graham at 7:18 pm. Motion carried 5 ayes to 0 nays.

Motion to come out of closed session was made by Vice-President Travis with a second by Director Ruiz. Motion carried 5 ayes to 0 nays. Came out of closed session at 7:52 pm

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:53 pm was made by Director Graham with second by Vice-President Travis. Motion carried. This publication of minutes is the unofficial report of action taken. Official minutes are available for review at the Sidney Community School District after approval at the next regular board meeting. Next regular scheduled meeting will be held on December 18, 2023.