

MINUTES
SCHOOL BOARD, DISTRICT #2342
WEST CENTRAL AREA SECONDARY SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER
September 18, 2017

Meeting called to order at 6:33 pm by Beuckens. Members present per roll call: Beuckens, Christenson, Biss, Nessman, Ulrich (arrived after meeting called to order) and Meidl. Members Absent: Sabolik. Administration present: Schmidt, Prasch, Vincent, Powers, Moore, Foslien, Nibbe and McNamara. Administration Absent: None.

Visitors: CA Ray

Motion by Christenson, seconded by Biss, to adopt the agenda as presented. MCU

Motion by Nessman, seconded by Biss, to approve the minutes of the regular school board meeting held on August 21, 2017. MCU

Motion by Meidl, seconded by Nessman, to approve the payment of claims in the amount of \$607,163.54. MCU

Administrative reports were given as follows:

Tech Coordinator (Kevin McNamara) – Working on wifi's at secondary school. All student devices now connect to our server then onto the internet. Working on security at South and North, next working on web-site.

Community Education: (Jon Moore) – Starting fall classes. Little Knights Volleyball, Little Knights Football, AARP in October and November. Art classes are upcoming – will be 4 times throughout the year. Talked about Wrap Around Program.

Activities Director: (Jacob Foslien) – Update on activity numbers for fall sports. Update on Homecoming week. Homecoming date is September 30th. Update on winter coaches next meeting. Cover charge for Homecoming day is \$5.

Buildings & Grounds Director: (Wade Nibbe) – Secured entrances are almost complete. Football press box is done. Thanked custodians for their hard summer work. South boiler check was ok. North boiler waiting on parts yet.

Elementary School Principal: (Natalie Prasch) – Thanked staff for great start to the school year. Fast testing in reading and math coming up.

Secondary School Principal: (Claire Vincent) – Talked about student expectations met by grade levels. Talked about mock trial class.

Business Manager: (Diane Powers): Update on actual to budget expenses and revenues. Audit starts next week. Levy meeting next week. Food service audit in December.

Superintendent: (Barry Schmidt):

1. Talked about strategic planning process
2. Met with MREA staff

Motion by Ulrich, seconded by Christenson, to approve the following general consent items (MCU):

- 1) Approve the additional quotes for \$19,672.54 with PBBS for repairs to the boiler at North Elementary, breakdown as follows:
 - a. To remove & install feed water pumps, rewire pumps, replace hinges and replace (1) 2" check valve for \$12,694.71
 - b. To replace ball valve, blower wheel, check valve for \$2,385.25
 - c. To repair/fabricate/weld/rebuild and labor \$4,592.58
- 2) Set the Truth in Taxation Hearing for December 4, 2017 at 6:15 pm

- 3) Accept gifts from the following for the Kensington Playground:
 - a. Marshall Law Office \$500.00
 - b. Community Health Care Auxiliary \$1,000.00
 - c. Prairie Lakes CHS (Hoffman) \$400.00

Motion by Ulrich, seconded by Nessman, to approve the following unfinished business (MCU):

- 1) Final Reading of the following policies:
 - a. Policy #401 – Equal Employment Opportunity
 - b. Policy #402 – Disability Nondiscrimination Policy
 - c. Policy #403 – Discipline, Suspension, and Dismissal of School District Employees
 - d. Policy #404 – Employment Background Checks
 - e. Policy #404 Form – Sample Informed Consent Form

New Business:

- 1) First reading of the following policies:
 - a. Policy #405 – Veterans Preference
 - b. Policy #406 – Public and Private Personnel Data
 - c. Policy #406 Form
 - d. Policy #407 – Employee Right to Know – Exposure to Hazardous Substances
- 2) Motion by Nessman, seconded by Biss, to approve the 2018 Levy at the maximum amount. MCU

Other:

- 1) World's Best Workforce discussion by Mr. Schmidt
 - a. Advisory Committee
 - b. Annual public meeting on December 4th
- 2) This year West Central Area Schools is engaging in a strategic planning process grounded in the desired daily experiences of students, families, and staff. This process is designed to build a strategic roadmap **and operational plan** that will drive instructional, **operational**, and fiscal decisions in the coming years. An essential **first step** of the strategic planning process is to hear from students, parents/guardians and staff to enhance this year's theme of We Are One. We ask our district stakeholders to help us in this process by attending a public meeting at the school in Barrett on October 16th from 5:00pm – 6:00 pm.

Motion by Biss, seconded by Christenson, to adjourn at 7:22 pm. MCU

Chuck Meidl, Clerk/Treasurer