

FEBRUARY 20TH, 2017—REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING—7:00 P.M.
SAVAGE SCHOOL
LIBRARY

PRESENT: Charlene Jonsson by Skype, Lance Miller, Michelle Smith, Shawn Conradsen, Brandon Ler, Superintendent Lynne Peterson and Clerk Diana Miller

VISITORS: Amber Henwood and Cassandra Moos

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance

3.0 PUBLIC COMMENT: Shawn Conradsen mentioned that he thought we should have saved the snow day we used for the District Tournament until this week for the Divisional tournament. Superintendent Peterson said that the calendar was set up at the beginning of the year and would need the teacher's union vote to change. There was some discussion about snow days.

4.0 CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 JANUARY MEETING MINUTES There was an error in the January minutes. The word ant instead of and as it should have been. This will be corrected before becoming official.

4.2 CLAIMS/WARRANTS #952996-#953038, #18669-#18680

4.3 STUDENT ACTIVITIES

There was some discussion about the claims and warrants. Diana was asked to provide a printout of the DeLage Landen Public Finance to verify that one payment had indeed been missed. Shawn Conradsen made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the corrections. Michelle Smith seconded the motion. All voted yes. The motion carried.

5.0 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Angella Nelson was not present.

6.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Superintendent's report is attached to these minutes.

7.0 WRITING PROJECT PRESENTATION

Cassandra Moos and Amber Henwood gave a presentation about their trip to New Orleans in January for the Yellowstone Writing Project. This trip was totally funded by a grant. They are looking at a lot of innovations to get our students writing at a younger age and with more enthusiasm.

8.0 OLD BUSINESS

8.1 ACTIVITY BUS

This is an ongoing discussion that will be dependent on having the funding at the end of the fiscal year.

8.2 DRIVER'S EDUCATION CAR

Lynne has looked into a Driver's Education car with HKT in Glendive. They may be willing to provide us with a car with their advertising on the car for little or no charge to school. The Board was in favor of doing this if it is possible. Lynne did not hear back from Nate Creek at Gem City.

9.0 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

9.1 SET THE MARCH MEETING

The meeting is set for March 21st, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

9.2 PRESCHOOL

Charlene Jonsson has stated that she feels we need a Preschool again. Superintendent Peterson has a community member who is very interested in teaching this class. The class does not need to meet every day or all year long so start and end dates could be flexible. Michelle Smith brought up that the Preschool Program was started with a Board action. Therefore, she feels that we should have had a Board action to discontinue the program. According to Kris Goss a Board action should have been taken to discontinue

the program. Shawn Conradsen said that it was a Board consensus that the funding was not available to continue the program. Charlene Jonsson said that mistakes are a learning experience and that we need to move forward with the intent of doing things correctly in the future. She wants preschool on the agenda for March.

9.3 CALL FOR SPRING ELECTIONS

There are two trustee positions open for election this year. Shawn Conradsen made a motion to call for an Election on May 2, 2017. Brandon Ler seconded the motion. All voted yes and the motion carried. Judges will be Kaye Braun, Linda Nelson and Dee Jorgensen.

9.4 APPROVAL BUS DROP OFF/PICK UP

The new bus drop off and pick up area by Pust's and Salsbury's was discussed. It is not personal property so there should be no issues with the stop. Michelle Smith made a motion to approve the new drop off/pick up spot. Brandon Ler seconded the motion. All voted yes and the motion carried.

9.5 SECOND READING OF POLICY #2221

This policy deals with weather or emergency closings and the ability to post them on social media and the school alert system. Michelle Smith made a motion to adopt the second reading of the policy. Shawn Conradsen seconded the motion. All voted yes and the policy was adopted.

9.6 APPROVAL OF CBA AMENDMENT REGARDING DISCRETIONARY DAYS

The Savage Education Association presented an amendment to the CBA dealing with discretionary days. The amendment attached to the minutes, basically states that 2 or more discretionary days taken consecutively need to be approved at the superintendent's discretion. Also there will be "BlackOut Days" for Holiday breaks and only special circumstance leave on PI/PIR days. There was some discussion about the discretionary days. Shawn Conradsen made a motion to approve the amendment to the CBA. Michelle Smith seconded the motion. All voted yes and the motion carried.

9.7 DETERMINATION OF HEAD COOK WAGES

The new cook will be on 60-day probation. The Health Insurance benefit will be the same 60-day time period. After some discussion, Shawn Conradsen made a motion to have the beginning wage set at \$13.50 with a 50 cent increase when the Serve/Safe and summer training is completed. Michelle Smith seconded the motion. All voted yes and the motion carried.

9.8 SUPERINTENDENT'S CONTRACT 2017-2018

Superintendent Peterson asked for a 2.5% increase for the new contract. 2.5% amounts to \$1,723.95 for the year. She also would like two personal days in lieu of the day after Thanksgiving and the day after Christmas if it is on the weekend. State law does not allow us to extend holiday days. Shawn Conradsen made a motion to increase Lynne's salary to \$70,681.95, give her two personal days to use at her discretion and \$3,000.00 in her Health Savings Account as a one time this year contribution. Lynne will have 14 days to return the signed contract. Charlene Jonsson seconded the motion. All voted yes and the motion carried.

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business so the meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

