

Sergeant Bluff, IA
December 6, 2012

A special educational meeting of the Sergeant Bluff-Luton Board of Education was called to order by President Schaar at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: John Baker and Dean Williams. Absent: Jenna Wilson and Amiee Krogh.

President Schaar welcomed the visitors and asked if anyone present wished to address the board.

Motion by Schaar and seconded by Baker to approve the agenda as printed. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Supt. Earleywine presented the resignation of Colt Golden as a high school night custodian. Motion by Williams and seconded by Baker to approve the resignation of Colt Golden as a high school night custodian. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Mrs. McCrory gave a presentation on technology in the 3-5 Elementary Building with some members of her leadership team (Rahn Bertran, Terri Gotch and Julie Hovland). She showed pictures of students in several classrooms working on their Chromebooks and explained the various ways the students use them. She discussed how many computers and what software is used in the Elementary Building. Rahn Bertrand discussed a trip he made to Council Bluffs to see how the Chromebooks are used. His students use the Chromebooks for AR tests, reading websites, the Daily 5, writing, research, history and videos in his classroom. They are extremely quick, user friendly, lightweight, logging off only takes three seconds, long battery life, and it is easier to monitor students in the classroom setting. They are used daily in the classrooms. The board members were each provided with a Chromebook to test how quickly the students are able to access their information. Every student has their own Gmail account and they work on Google docs and presentations. A list of web sites was shown that are available to the students. Mrs. McCrory demonstrated some of the assignments and challenges the students do on the Chromebooks.

Terri Gotch talked about the Mimio Connect, which uses the white board to transform into an interactive lesson. The students are able to work right off the white board. It is used to enhance daily lessons, interactive participation of students with content, visually stimulating and engaging, it is user friendly and flexible. The Mimio Connects were purchased with grant money. An update was provided on Common Core. The teachers are able to pull their Common Core into their lesson plans.

Julie Hovland discussed how the Specials Teachers are able to use their website for Character Education. She has links available for additional information, such as bullying. All five Specials are available on the website. Jim Bisenius puts the student's art work on the website for parents to view. The music teacher, Amy Hansen, is able to put the program music on her website for the students to practice. Leslie Ellerbeck has a website for media for the Elementary. Heath Ter Wee puts the different activities the students are working on his website.

We LOVE Technology! Lots of great things are happening every day!

Motion by Baker and seconded by Schaar to adjourn. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Adjourn at 6:45p.m.

District Secretary

Date Approved: _____

Board President

Date Approved: _____