

Sergeant Bluff, IA
April 9, 2015

The regular April 2015 meeting of the Sergeant Bluff-Luton Board of Education was called to order by President Amiee Krogh at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: John Baker, Mike Laughlin, Dave Schaar and Dean Williams.

The Pledge of Allegiance.

A Public Hearing took place concerning the school calendar for the 2015-2016 school year. A discussion took place concerning the calendar. No written comments were given.

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

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

The minutes of the meeting of March 12, 2015 were reviewed by the board. Motion by Laughlin and seconded by Baker to approve the minutes. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

The Secretary reports were reviewed by the board. Motion by Schaar and seconded by Williams to approve the Secretary reports. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

The current bills were reviewed by the board. Motion by Baker and seconded by Williams to approve the current bills with the exception of Riverside Technologies (RTI). Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

A motion was made by Baker and seconded by Laughlin to approve the Riverside Technologies (RTI) invoices. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None. Schaar abstained.

Legislative issues: The school calendar start date has been resolved. The budget allowable growth is still ongoing.

Brad McCauley recognized the following:

1. The High School Band and Choir students for their performances at State Solo/Ensemble Contest. SB-L received 17 superior ratings and 13 excellent ratings.
2. The Women's Vocal Ensemble that received an outstanding performance award and a perfect score at the State Solo/Ensemble Contest: Mercedes Waugh, Taylor Rook, Josie Kasik, Hannah Schauer, Rogan Luse and Logan Waite.
3. The SBL Show Choir for their successful performance season:
 - a. 1st place in the unisex division at Bishop Heelan
 - b. 3rd place in the single gender division at East High
 - c. 2nd place in the all-female division at Westwood
 - d. 1st place in the unisex division at Hinton
4. Josie Kasik for her performances as a soloist during the show choir competitions.
 - a. 1st place women's solo competition at East
 - b. 1st place women's solo competition at Westwood.
 - c. Runner-up for female solo within a show at Hinton

5. The following students for their performance at the Morningside Jazz Festival where they earned the Outstanding Musicianship Awards and a \$5,000.00 music talent scholarship to Morningside College.
 - a. Madison Ryan - Sr.
 - b. Joseph Hauswald - Sr.
 - c. Evan Kaler - Sr.
 - d. Joanna Widjaja - Sr.

Chad Moore recognized Sidney Hardy for All State Speech in Cedar Rapids. Gavin Gray, Shelby Hagerdon and Megan O'Donnell also performed.

Dr. Earleywine recognized Deb Collins for her many years of service to Sergeant Bluff-Luton Schools.

Dr. Earleywine recognized Rick Admire as baseball coach.

Mr. Klingensmith gave a review of the high school enrollment numbers which are currently around 475. Four high school students went on the NASA trip: Sam Murphy, Tyler Strong, Nicholas Lennon and Blake Johannsen. Sam Murphy was on one of the winning teams judged by 8 NASA Engineers to Design a space settlement on Mars. The high school is finishing entering schedules for next school year. Prom takes place this weekend. Renaissance Reward Day is Friday, May 1st. Senior Awards Night is May 13th. Senior last day is Friday, May 15th.

Mr. McKelvey enrollment is at 384 students in the middle school. Conferences and 1:1 information was provided. Fusion and 2nd Chance Reading Updates were given. IXL Math and SRA Reading were reviewed. Choir/Vocal and Band Concerts as well as track meets are taking place in April and May.

Mr. McCauley gave a presentation of the Iowa Assessment scores. Our goal is to have 100% of our students proficient. ACT scores averaging 22.7 points. This is above the state and the national average. We have seen significant growth in almost every area and grade over the years. We are higher than the State and NW AEA in almost every grade for reading and math.

Dr. Earleywine presented resignations on the following:

- Tyler Andersen as a Middle School Associate.
- Rick Admire as the High School Varsity Baseball Coach effective at the end of the 2015 baseball season.
- Pat Jorgensen as the Primary School Secretary/Administrative Assistant.
- Holly Corcoran as a 4th grade teacher.

Motion by Baker and seconded by Williams to approve the above resignations. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine presented a resignation on Deb Collins as the 3-5 ELP/TAG teacher, District TAG Coordinator and High School Quiz Bowl Sponsor. Motion by Laughlin and seconded by Baker to approve Deb Collin's resignation as the 3-5 ELP/TAG teacher, District TAG Coordinator and High School Quiz Bowl Sponsor and to approve early retirement benefits per board policy. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine presented new contracts for the following:

- Carolyn Hauptman as a Middle School Associate, Level 1 \$11.66 per hour.
- Terry Guffy as a full time custodian, Level 1 \$12.06 per hour.
- Leslee Reiter as an Elementary Special Education Teacher, MA Step 4, \$50,311.
- Allison Seuntjens as a Middle School Special Education Teacher, MA 15 Step 7, \$56,033.
- Renee Beiermann-Winkel as head volleyball coach,
- Ashley Engel as high school science teacher, Step 1, \$40,739
- Matt Nelson as Junior High assistant football

Motion by Schaar and seconded by Laughlin to approve the above contracts. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine recommended that we adopt a minimum school year that consists of 1080 hours of instruction for the 2015-2016 school year. Motion by Krogh and seconded by Schaar to approve the adoption of a school year that consists of a minimum of 1080 instructional hours as defined by Iowa code 256.77(19) for the 2015-2016 school year. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine recommended the following school starting and ending times for 2015-2016 school year. This will provide 1,127 hours of instruction which is an additional 47 hours over the 1080 minimum. He believes this is enough of a cushion to account for late starts or early outs due to weather issues.

- Primary and Elementary – 8:25 am–3:20 pm, 8:25-2:40 pm on Wednesdays
- Middle and High – 8:15am-3:20 pm, 8:15-2:40 pm on Wednesdays

Motion by Baker and seconded by Laughlin to approve the school day starting and ending times as presented. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine discussed the School Calendar for 2015-2016 and the District Advisory Committee recommendations. Motion by Laughlin and seconded by Williams to approve the 2015-2016 school calendar as presented. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine discussed the Fiscal year 2014 financial audit, which was provided by Denise Patterson at the March board meeting. Motion by Baker and seconded by Laughlin to approve the 2014 financial audit as presented. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine provided copies of the bids to replace the bleachers at the high school. The plan is to replace one side this summer and one side next summer. Motion by Laughlin and seconded by Schaar to approve Iowa Direct Equipment bid in the amount of \$39,551 to replace one side of the high school gymnasium bleachers. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine discussed the replacement of the lights in the 3-5 Elementary gymnasium. This item will be tabled until the bids are received. Motion by Krogh and seconded by Laughlin to table the light replacement in the 3-5 Elementary gymnasium. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine provided copies of bids to replace the fence on the West side of the football field/track. Bostwick submitted a quote of \$9,880.50 and Cardis submitted a bid of \$9,464. Motion

by Schaar and seconded by Laughlin to approve the Cardis bid in the amount of \$9,464 to replace 450 ft. of fence. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine provided a copy of the Iowa Association for Educational Purchasing Agreement for 2015-2016 for review. This allows us to buy products for our Food and Nutrition Program at reduced bulk rates. Motion by Laughlin and seconded by Baker to approve the agreement with the Iowa Association of Educational Purchasing as presented. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine provided a copy of Wellness Policy 507.10 with updates including the notes and recommendations from the Wellness Committee meeting for your review. He also included a copy of the results from the student lunch survey. The survey was given to students in grades 3-12. Motion by Baker and seconded by Williams to approve the revisions to the Wellness Policy 507.10. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine asked for the Board's permission to sell used technology and other equipment. Technology equipment includes switches, wireless controllers etc. Other equipment includes, cupboards, counter tops, etc. Motion by Williams and seconded by Schaar to allow the superintendent to make arrangements to sell unused technology and other equipment/furnishings. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine provided bids and discussed the technology purchase of staff computers from RTI of \$162,754.50, student laptops from RTI for \$299,337.50. Motion by Laughlin and seconded by Krogh as presented. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None. Schaar abstained.

Dr. Earleywine provided bids and discussed the technology purchase of Middle School Chrome Books from Sterling for \$166,473 and Primary and Elementary Chrome Books from Sterling for \$72,345. Motion by Krogh and seconded by Schaar for the technology purchases as presented. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine discussed our Staffing Plan for 2015-2016. Based on our current enrollment for the 2015-2016 school year school we are recommending the following:

- K 110-115 students 6 sections
- 1st 95-100 students 5 sections
- 2nd 127 students 6 sections
- 3rd 136 students 6 sections
- 4th 110 students 5 sections
- 5th 126 students 5 sections
- 6th 131 students 5 sections
- 7th 128 students 5 sections
- 8th 132 students 5 sections
- 9th 124 students
- 10th 119 students
- 11th 119 students
- 12th 113 students

Transfer current 6th grade STEM teacher to 5th grade to teach 5th grade Math (he is a certified 5-12 Math teacher). Have him implement some of the STEM concepts into his math lessons. The STEM position was added this year due to high anticipated numbers in 6th grade with the plan to have this teacher follow the 6th grade class through middle school. The 6th grade class numbers no longer warrant this plan. This plan would require involuntarily transferring a current 5th grade teacher to 3rd grade as we need an additional 3rd grade teacher for the 6th section of 3rd grade.

Dr. Earleywine had Mr. McCauley review the anticipated curriculum purchases for 2015-2016.

Dr. Earleywine discussed that Denise Patterson is working to refinance the bonds on our high school addition/remodel project. This will save the district approximately \$79,000 in interest over the next 5 years. He included the refinancing documents from PiperJaffray for review.

Dr. Earleywine provided a copy of the summer maintenance projects for review.

Dr. Earleywine discussed the RFP for VMware virtualization upgrade Software and Hardware. He provided a copy of the RFP for review.

Dr. Earleywine had the architects from Cannon/Moss present to provide the board with an update concerning the new high school.

Dr. Earleywine discussed a joint meeting between the Sergeant Bluff City Council and the Sergeant Bluff-Luton Board of Education. Dr. Earleywine will send some options of dates to the board when he receives them.

Items of interest for next month:

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

Adjourn at 7:57 p.m.

District Secretary

Date Approved: _____

Board President

Date Approved: _____