

Sergeant Bluff, IA
March 3, 2016

The regular March 2016 meeting of the Sergeant Bluff-Luton Board of Education was called to order by President Mike Laughlin at 6:00 a.m. with the following members present: Amiee Krogh and Dave Schaar. Jeff Wright participated via phone. Absent: Tammy Matthey

The Pledge of Allegiance.

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

A Public Hearing took place concerning amending the fiscal year 2016 Budget. No oral or written comments were given.

A presentation and Public Hearing took place concerning the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget. No oral or written comments were given.

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

The minutes of the meetings of February 2016 were reviewed by the board. Motion by Krogh and seconded by Schaar to approve the minutes. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

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

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

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

Legislative issues: State Aid is still not decided. They are in committee now. They are still working on the Governor proposal to use any excess growth beyond \$10 million of One Cent Sales Tax towards water quality.

Mr. Moore recognized the speech team and Mrs. Quinn for all state honors. The speech team consists of: Shelby Hagerdon, Sidney Hardy, Nick Lennon and Naomi Schiller.

Mr. Moore recognized the wrestling team for 7th place at the All State Duals and Brayden Curry for placing 2nd and Rhyker Sims for placing 4th at State Wrestling.

Mr. Klingensmith recognized Mrs. Held and the Prostar students who attended the Des Moines Culinary Competition. They placed 5th in Culinary Arts. They placed 3rd in the Management competition, in which each student received a \$1,000 renewable scholarship.

Mr. McKelvey recognized the middle school and high school archery team for going to State.

Mr. McKelvey recognized the 7th grade for earning 1st place in Vocabulary.com in all of Iowa.

Mr. McKelvey recognized Chris Plendl and Dr. Earleywine for helping the middle school students make it to the Tolerance Week presentation about surviving the Holocaust.

Mrs. Adams and Mrs. McCrory discussed registration of preschool and TK (closed). Kindergarten parent night and roundup are coming soon. Classroom sections are being decided. Current enrollment was reviewed. Interviews for open positions have been started or are in the process to start. Fun Day is being planned. Professional Development was discussed and upcoming dates. Information on the SBL Ambassadors Program was provided. Every student at the primary school will be going to the Launch Pad, at the children's museum in Sioux City.

Dr. Earleywine presented resignations on the following:

- Bonnie Erkes as the head cook at the Middle School effective April 27, 2016.
- Scott Black as the 8th grade head girls basketball coach, pending finding a suitable replacement.
- Dwight Metcalf as a bus driver effective March 18, 2016.

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

Dr. Earleywine presented a new contract for Michael Beavers as a 1st grade teacher, Step 2, \$43,686 and Assistant 7th grade basketball coach. Motion by Schaar and seconded by Krogh. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine presented new contracts for the following:

- Jennifer Jaeger as a middle school associate Level 1 \$12.18 per hour.
- Judith Navarrete as a part-time custodian Level 1 \$11.78 per hour.
- Samantha Van Veldhuizen as a BASIC worker Level 1 \$11.93 per hour.
- Shelby Pieper as a BASIC worker Level 1 \$11.93 per hour.
- Trudy Painter as a bus driver Level 1 \$12.13 per hour.

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

Dr. Earleywine provided a copy of the Fiscal Year 2017 budget and asked the board to review it for approval as presented. Motion by Wright and seconded by Schaar to approve the fiscal year 2017 budget as published and presented. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine explained the Fiscal Year 2016 budget amendment. SBL approved the FY2016 budget in March 2015. In April 2015, Piper Jaffray recommended refinancing the Sales Tax Revenue Bonds to save the District \$58,759. SBL issued Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds on June 25, 2015. Those bonds were called and paid on July 2, 2015. This refunding increased the Total Other Expenditures budget item. The board needs to approve the budget amendment to stay compliant with the law. He included a copy of the published budget amendment document for review. Motion by Schaar and seconded by Krogh to approve the budget amendment to fiscal year 2016. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine provided copies of two quotes concerning the design, engineering and management of replacing our existing track. The total cost including the fees associated with these quotes will be approximately \$500,000. These costs have been included in our budget. Larson Engineering submitted a quote of \$38,375. Cannon Moss submitted a quote of \$26,500. Cannon Moss completed two similar projects in Sheldon and Spencer over the past few years. Based on the quotes Dr. Earleywine recommends that we use Cannon Moss. Motion by Krogh and seconded by Schaar to approve the fee proposal submitted by Cannon Moss for our track replacement project. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine provided updates/revisions of the 900 board policies for review. Motion by Schaar and seconded by Krogh to approve the first reading of review/revision of the 900 series policies. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine discussed the At Risk/Dropout Prevention Modified Allowable Growth. Each year we are allowed to apply for modified allowable growth to help cover costs associated with at risk students and dropout prevention. We use this money to help fund our guidance counselors, alternative school placements, before and after school homework completion programs, tutoring programs, summer school programs, and the police liaison officer. Motion by Krogh and seconded by Schaar to approve the At Risk/Drop-out Prevention modified allowable growth application in the amount of \$354,157 for the 2016-2017 school year. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine provided a copy of his recommendations for the Board's initial proposal to the SBLEA concerning contract negotiations including language and salary and benefits. Negotiations will move forward in closed sessions as we continue the negotiation process with the SBLEA.

Dr. Earleywine discussed the three missed school days due to weather related cancellations. The Board will need to decide how many of these days you believe the students should make up. We do have enough school hours to meet the current minimal hours of instruction without making up the days. At this time he believes we should make up all three days with Thursday, June 2 being the last day for students and Friday, June 3 being the last contract day for teachers. This is an information item this month and will be an action item next month.

Dr. Earleywine provided a copy of the Fiscal Year 2015 Financial Audit. The board will need to approve the audit at the April board meeting.

Dr. Earleywine provided a copy of the RFP for our annual financial audit for review. This is the same RFP we have used in previous years. The RFP is for a three year agreement. If there are no objections to the RFP, Denise will send out the RFP and have the Board approve the bids at the April meeting.

Dr. Earleywine is planning to have two public meetings prior to the April 5 bond referendum. The tentative dates are March 16 and March 30.

Dr. Earleywine provided a document that outlines Mr. Smith's request for an additional paid high school asst. coach.

Items of interest for next month:

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

Adjourn at 6:47 a.m.

District Secretary

Date Approved: _____

Board President

Date Approved: _____