

- 1.0 **CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE**
On September 14, 2015, Chairman Penrod called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30 p.m. in the library of the Central Linn Elementary School.
- 2.0 **ROLL CALL**
Members Present: Mark Penrod, Chris Wyne, Parker Leigh, George Frasier, David Goracke. Eric Gerber arrived at 6:40 p.m.
Members Absent: DeeDee Thomas
Employees Present: Brian Gardner, Superintendent; Susan Beaudin, Board Secretary; Celeste Van Cleave, Business Manager; Amanda O'Brien, Principal; Laurie McCloskey, Licensed.
Others: Patty Lynn and Emily Phearson
- 3.0 **GOOD OF THE ORDER/COMMUNICATIONS**
 - 3.1 **Agenda Adjustments** – 4.3 Rescind the resignation of Coach Kelly McLaughlin. Acknowledge the hire of Kelly McLaughlin as Jr. High GBX Coach; Dustin Walker as Jr. High BBX Coach; and Saul Smith as part-time Boys' Soccer Coach.
 - 3.2 **Building Principals** – Principal O'Brien reported a seamless start to the new school year. The Elementary has started student assessments. Using the STAR program they are identifying each student's reading needs and using Dream Box for identifying the exact math standard for each student. She reported the largest class size is 27 with the smallest at 17; student/teacher ratio is balanced and no staffing changes were needed at this time. A Focus School visit is scheduled for next week to review the reading and math programs. Smarter Balance test results will be made public this week; a report will be made at next month's meeting.
 - 3.3 **Student body Report** – Emily Phearson, Student body President, reported on upcoming homecoming activities.
- 4.0 **ACTION/BUSINESS**
 - 4.1 **Approve Minutes of the Regular August Board Meeting** - Director Frasier moved to approve the minutes of the August 10, 2015, meeting as submitted. Director Wyne second; the motion passed 6-0. Director Thomas absent for the vote.
 - 4.2 **Consider Request for Student Trip to Europe** – Art teacher, Laurie McCloskey, requested the Board approve fund raising for a proposed art trip to Europe in 2018. She gave a brief outline of the proposed trip and the experiences students may encounter. Director Wyne moved to permit funds being raised and plans moving forward for proposed art trip to Europe in 2018. Director Goracke second; motion passed 6-0. Director Thomas absent for the vote.
 - 4.3 **Acknowledge Staff Changes** - Accepted the resignation of elementary teacher, Nicole Kerins; science teacher, Ross Waite; bus driver, Tiffani Day; approved a year's leave of absence for educational assistant, Denise Johnson; hired - educational assistant, Linda McLain; bus driver, Larry Angland; Dustin Walker, Jr. High BBX Coach; Kelly McLaughlin, Jr High GBX Coach; and Saul Smith as part-time Boys' Soccer Coach.
 - 4.4 **Approve New Staff Hire** – Director Goracke moved to hire Jennifer Shadwick on a temporary contract to teach second grade. Director Leigh second, motion passed 6-0. Director Thomas absent for the vote.
 - 4.5 **Review District Survey Questions** - The Board discussed implementing the annual community survey. There was consensus to revise survey questions to gain a household response instead of a single individual response. Revised questions will be reviewed at next Board meeting. The survey will again be distributed by the District's newsletter and drop boxes. We will use Facebook to encourage patrons to return the survey.

- 4.6 **Review of Board Goals** - In reviewing its' goals, the Board discussed holding zone meetings just prior to a public board meeting as a way to meet the goal of increasing community participation and input. It was suggested perhaps a few Board meetings be held off campus such as Shedd Fire Hall and Rec Center in Brownsville. Superintendent Gardner will determine the legality of such meetings as all board members would be in attendance and report at next meeting.

Superintendent Gardner stated the original intent of a zone meeting was to have individual board members host meetings with their zone constituents, communicate progress within the district and take input. He further suggested we provide some facilitating training to assist Board members with these meetings.

In reviewing the Academic Goals Board members requested 2014-15 data, related to the academic goals, be provided at next Board meeting.

It was the consensus of the Board that its' goals remain unchanged with the exception of eliminating #4 from Management Goals. The district office has been moved to the high school campus.

- 4.7 **Discuss Local Bond Matching/SB477** – The Board discussed the \$175 million in seismic funding grants approved by the Legislature. Superintendent Gardner stated the current maximum grant is \$1.5 million per project/school building. And while this funding does not require matching funds building projects must address the entire building. For example you cannot just upgrade the gym. If the gym is connected to the school, the gym and entire school building must be brought up to standards. Local general obligation bonds were also discussed. Funding level for the 2015-17 biennium would be \$125 million statewide. Maximum district grant amounts would be \$8 million with a minimum \$4 million.

5.0 REPORTS

- 5.1 **Financial** – Celeste Van Cleave, Business Manager, reported the revenue and expenditure reports reflect the majority of encumbrances but noted some pieces still in play. If enrollment numbers hold there should be no major cuts.
- 5.2 **Superintendent** – Mr. Gardner reported student enrollment remains steady and was encouraged by the very positive attitude of the buildings. Regarding facilities, he reported Room 8, at the elementary school was repaired (sinking floor) but had more problems with the high school plumbing. A flow test with the sprinkler system failed due to a leak in a 2" hot water line. Also have a cold water leak near the softball field. The District office was in the process of generating an RFP for the Brownville property based on goals set by the Board. Reminded the Board Mawi Asgedom will be in district October 1, to speak with students, parents and staff.

6.0 ADJOURN

With no further business before the Board, Chairman Penrod adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:20 p.m.



Susan Beaudin, Board Secretary



C. Mark Penrod, Chairman

10-12-15
Date Approved