

## Regular Meeting of the St. Paul Board of Education

7:40 PM

July 8, 2019

Board Room, St. Paul Public School

The St. Paul School Board met in regular session on July 8, 2019 at 7:40 PM. The following board members were in attendance: Shelly Harrahill: Present, Jason Meinecke: Present, Janelle Morgan: Present, Marty Mrkvicka: Present, Dan Scheer: Present, Philip Thede: Present.

The meeting was called to order at 7:39pm.

President Scheer noted that notice of the meeting was properly published in the Phonograph Herald and/or in 3 public places, per policy.

President Scheer noted that the Open Meetings Law is posted on the wall of the meeting room.

President Scheer read the Americanism quote: "If we are to guard against ignorance and remain free, it is the responsibility of every American to be informed." Thomas Jefferson

President Scheer asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the previous meeting. None were made, and the minutes were declared approved.

The motion to approve the bills as presented by Superintendent Poppert passed with a motion by Marty Mrkvicka and a second by Janelle Morgan.

Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to approve the credit card bill as presented passed with a motion by Shelly Harrahill and a second by Jason Meinecke.

Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to pay Rasmussen Mechanical Service for 2 boilers, in the amount of \$41,115.00 from the Depreciation fund passed with a motion by Marty Mrkvicka and a second by Jason Meinecke.

Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to pay Environmental Direct for asbestos removal in the main hallway, in the amount of \$12,400.00 passed with a motion by Marty Mrkvicka and a second by Philip Thede.

Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

The Superintendent presented the Financial Report.

Mr. Scheer expressed appreciation to Supt. Poppert for the interview and article on school finances and state aid that was recently in the Phonograph-Herald.

There were no communications from the public.

Motion to appoint Thede and Meinecke to the Americanism Committee passed with a motion by Dan Scheer and a second by Marty Mrkvicka.

Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to approve Madison Hansen as a volunteer softball coach passed with a motion by Marty Mrkvicka and a second by Dan Scheer.

Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to reaffirm the Parent Involvement Policy passed with a motion by Jason Meinecke and a second by Philip Thede.

Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

The Board reviewed the Bullying Policy. Supt. Poppert stated that there are many ways for students to report instances of bullying. Each report is investigated. Most reports do not meet the strict criteria of bullying, but any issues, whether bullying or not, are addressed. Mrs. Morgan asked questions about the frequency and types bullying reports over the past school year. Supt. Poppert will ask Mrs. Paider and Mrs. Hagen to address those questions at the next meeting.

Motion to approve the Student Fees Policy passed with a motion by Philip Thede and a second by Jason Meinecke.

Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

The Board reiterated the importance of parent involvement in the school system. The Board discussed some of the ways in which parent involvement in the school is encouraged. These include: Grandparents Day, Donuts with Dad, Muffins with Mom, Math and Science Fun night, Family reading nights, the Makers Fair, the Boo Bash, Dr Suess' birthday celebration, the First day of school open house and Ipad Roll-Out, holiday parties and fieldtrips.

The Board discussed some ideas that were brought up by an architect on a recent visit. He mentioned some possibilities for the 3 story building renovation. The Board directed Supt. Poppert to meet with the architect to find out the cost to assess the salvagibility of the 3 story building. The board also discussed options to increase the size of the cafeteria.

The Building Committee reported on the progress of roof repair and the MPAC building.

In the Superintendent's report, Supt. Poppert reported on a new government requirement, the Federal Inventory Review. It requires the school to provide information on how it spends federal dollars. He also reported that the Membership meetings are scheduled for Aug 28 in Kearney or Sept 4 in York. The Board decided to go the the meeting in Kearney.

Mr. Scheer will get in touch with Marcia Herring at NASB regarding the Board's Annual goals, and to set up the strategic planning meetings that were discussed at the Board Retreat earlier this year. The meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

The meeting was adjourned at \_\_\_\_\_.

Shelly Harrahill  
Secretary