

Board of Education Meeting
Stapleton Public Schools
District 57-0501
December 21, 2020

President Opela called the special meeting of the Stapleton Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:10 p.m. on Monday, December 21, 2020, in the library at Stapleton Public Schools.

Moved by Rex Walz, seconded by Steve Schaeffer, to excuse Burnside and F. Kramer from the meeting. Motion carried.

Burnside: Absent, Kramer: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Schaeffer: Aye, Walz: Aye

President Opela observed the Open Meeting Law requirements.

The Board conducted the Superintendent Evaluation.

President Opela called the regular meeting of the Stapleton Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, December 21, 2020, in the library at Stapleton Public Schools.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the norms read aloud.

Burnside: Absent, Kramer: Absent, Kramer: Present, Opela: Present, Schaeffer: Present, Walz: Present.

Moved by Rex Walz, seconded by Steve Schaeffer, to to excuse from the meeting Burnside and F. Kramer from the meeting. Motion carried.

Burnside: Absent, Kramer: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Schaeffer: Aye, Walz: Aye

Moved by Rex Walz, seconded by Steve Schaeffer, to approve the board meeting agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Burnside: Absent, Kramer: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Schaeffer: Aye, Walz: Aye

Notice of the meeting was published in the Stapleton Enterprise on Thursday, December 17, 2020, and posted at five local business along with notice to the president of the board and all members prior to the meeting date.

President Opela asked if there was any public comment and referred to the guidelines in the agenda.

Dawnae Nichols, kindergarten teacher, addressed the board regarding her classroom curriculum with her ten students and the goals for the year.

Moved by K. Kramer, seconded by Kristy Opela, to approve the November 16, 2020, Regular Board Meeting and the December 2, 2020 Special Board Retreat minutes. Motion carried.

Burnside: Absent, Kramer: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Schaeffer: Aye, Walz: Aye

Moved by Rex Walz, seconded by K. Kramer, to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried.

Burnside: Absent, Kramer: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Schaeffer: Aye, Walz: Aye

The treasurer's report was presented by Superintendent Gaffney.

Lacy Kinderknecht gave her Community Liaison's report which included: Spelling Bee was moved to Jan 6th at 1:30 p.m., Stapleton School Foundation meeting was held with Gala planned for March 5th, junior chamber members attended Chamber meeting, continual updating of website and sharing stories with the newspaper.

The Activities Director's report given by Jason Wehnes included the following: update on winter sports season, One-Act Play Production was State Runner-up in D1, NCPA All-State Academic recipients: Jared Trimble, Tad Dimmitt, Hannah Burnside, Trinity Hansen, Megan Amos and Trisha Bernt, and winter sports season NSAA spectator guidelines.

Principal Walker's report included: Applegate Grant for art, K-12 benchmarks, STEM, and Standard Response Protocol for school safety programs.

The school improvement committee gave a report on their meeting.

A Card of Thanks was read from the Leo Walz family.

The board discussed attendance protocol at extra-curricular activities and the 2021 NASB Virtual Legislative Issues Conference.

Moved by Rex Walz, seconded by Steve Schaeffer, to approve and adopt a resolution authorizing the District to reimburse itself for certain capital expenditures from the proceeds of its tax-exempt bonds, as required by the Internal Revenue Code. Motion carried.

Burnside: Absent, Kramer: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Schaeffer: Aye, Walz: Aye

Moved by K. Kramer, seconded by Kristy Opela, to approve and adopt a resolution authorizing the issuance by the District of its General Obligation School Building Bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$2,900,000. Motion carried.

Burnside: Absent, Kramer: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Schaeffer: Aye, Walz: Aye

Moved by Rex Walz, seconded by Steve Schaeffer, to approve final construction plan as presented. Motion carried.

Burnside: Absent, Kramer: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Schaeffer: Aye, Walz: Aye

Moved by Steve Schaeffer, seconded by K. Kramer, to table choice of law firm. Motion carried.

Burnside: Absent, Kramer: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Schaeffer: Aye, Walz: Aye

Moved by Rex Walz, seconded by Steve Schaeffer, to put a bathroom in the basement of the superintendent's house. Motion carried.

Burnside: Absent, Kramer: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Schaeffer: Aye, Walz: Aye

Moved by K. Kramer, seconded by Rex Walz, to purchase appliances to be left in superintendent's house in the amount of \$2000. Motion carried.

Burnside: Absent, Kramer: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Schaeffer: Aye, Walz: Aye

Moved by Rex Walz, seconded by Steve Schaeffer, to table bus purchase of bus through grant. Motion carried.

Burnside: Absent, Kramer: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Schaeffer: Aye, Walz: Aye

Superintendent Gaffney's report presented information on the following: pandemic "new normal" with curriculum, GEERS grant, donation by Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus, guidance

counselor interviews, maintenance/custodian position, anticipated mat position, appliance invoice, scheduled maintenance over break, snow removal and bus route need.

The motion to go in to closed session to discuss negotiations and personnel and to prevent the needless injury to the reputation of an individual was repeated by President Opela.

The closed session started at 9:19 p.m. and ended at 9:54 p.m.

Moved by Rex Walz, seconded by K. Kramer, to go into executive session to discuss negotiations and personnel. Closed session is held to prevent needless injury to the reputation of an individual. Motion carried.

Burnside: Absent, Kramer: Absent, Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Schaeffer: Aye, Walz: Aye

The next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, January 18, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

President Opela adjourned the meeting at 9:54 p.m.

Kim Kramer, Secretary