

Board of Education Meeting  
Stapleton Public Schools  
District 57-0501  
March 20, 2023

President F. Kramer called the regular meeting of the Stapleton Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 20, 2023, in the library at Stapleton Public Schools.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited; the board norms were read aloud.

President F. Kramer observed Open Meeting Law requirements.

Burnside: Present, Connell: Present, F. Kramer: Present, K. Kramer: Present, Opela: Present, Walz: Present.

Moved by Opela, seconded by Connell, to approve the board meeting agenda and move New Business VIII.F. to end of new business. Motion carried.

Burnside: Aye, Connell: Aye, F. Kramer: Aye, K. Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Walz: Aye

Notice of the meeting was published in the Stapleton Enterprise on Thursday, March 16, 2023, and posted at five local businesses along with notice to the president of the board and all members prior to the meeting date.

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

Duane McClain, representing the Stapleton School Foundation, updated on the success of the Gala and expressed his thoughts regarding items on the agenda.

Scott Gaites addressed the board regarding the condition of the shot put and discuss ring.

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

Moved by K. Kramer, seconded by Burnside, to approve the February 20, 2023, Regular Board Meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Burnside: Aye, Connell: Aye, F. Kramer: Aye, K. Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Walz: Aye

Moved by F. Kramer, seconded by Opela, to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried.

Burnside: Aye, Connell: Aye, F. Kramer: Aye, K. Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Walz: Aye

The treasurer's report was presented by Superintendent Redinger.

Bryan Regier gave his Community Liaisons' report which included: Foundation Gala success, updating the website and Facebook page, sending pictures and stories to the newspaper, Chamber meeting, Easter Egg Hunt, Wednesday, April 5th for Preschool through 4th grade, and Community Cleanup Day on Thursday, April 20th from 1:00-4:00 p.m.

The Activities Director's report given by Eric Kloke included the following: winter sports wrap up with boys basketball ending season with 9-14 record, MNAC Conference Basketball Awards: Jaylen Dimmitt (1st team), Abigale Nicholson (honorable mention), Kyle Kramer (2nd

team), Caleb Burnside (honorable mention), Cooper Layher (honorable mention), spring sports preview, State Speech qualifiers: Cayson Johnston, Tessa Hansen, Tad Dimmitt, Emmalee Nicholson, Cameron Berliner with Cayson receiving 6th place in extemporaneous. Congratulations to all these students. Quiz Bowl contests have begun also.

Principal Gleisberg's report included: current enrollment, instruction evaluations, curriculum, February 20 In-Service, Arbor Day Presentation, and NPCC Inter-High Day,

The Buildings and Grounds Committee met and highlights were presented: electrical needs, painting needs, landscaping at superintendent's residence, concrete work to be done, parking lot rock, and finish covering the building with cameras.

Coop committee highlights: JH football looking at going back to 6-man with upcoming numbers, consistent coaching and websites, and upcoming renewal date for coop is November 12th this year.

Superintendent Redinger's report presented information on the following: building plans, truck and trailer needed to haul out accumulated metal, plans for family trip, renewal of teacher contract, and attending upcoming NRCSA convention.

Discussion was held regarding a community daycare.

Discussion was held regarding a sports program with McPherson County Public Schools. Items included utilizing administration more, sharing resources, sharing school schedules, transportation, player development and revisiting by-laws. With Stapleton's shorter school day this will create more of a delay before start of daily practice.

Moved by Burnside, seconded by Walz, to approve the 2023-24 school calendar as presented with first day of school on August 16, elementary's last day May 15, and high school May 16. Spring break will correspond with boys State basketball. Motion carried.

Burnside: Aye, Connell: Aye, F. Kramer: Aye, K. Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Walz: Aye

The board reviewed Board of Education Policy #5022 - Investigations, Arrests, and Other Student Contact by Law Enforcement and Health and Human Services with addition of wording clarifying law enforcement contact with student Moved by F. Kramer, seconded by Connell, to approve Board of Education Policy #5022 Option B - Investigations, Arrests, and Other Student Contact by Law Enforcement and Health and Human Services. Motion carried.

Burnside: Aye, Connell: Aye, F. Kramer: Aye, K. Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Walz: Aye

The board reviewed Board of Education Policy #5035 Student Discipline. Moved by Burnside, seconded by Walz, to approve Board of Education Policy #5035 Student Discipline with teacher and principal setting the deadline on completed classwork. Motion carried.

Burnside: Aye, Connell: Aye, F. Kramer: Aye, K. Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Walz: Aye

The Board reviewed Board of Education Policy #4058 - Confidentiality in Counseling and Guidance. Moved by Connell, seconded by K. Kramer, to approve Board of Education Policy #4058 - Confidentiality in Counseling and Guidance. Motion carried.

Burnside: Aye, Connell: Aye, F. Kramer: Aye, K. Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Walz: Aye

The board held a discussion regarding the financial impact of optional enrollment students.

Moved by Burnside, seconded by Opela, to approve surplus property as presented for sealed bid process excluding the lathes at this time. Motion carried.

Burnside: Aye, Connell: Aye, F. Kramer: Aye, K. Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Walz: Aye

Moved by Burnside, seconded by Walz, to approve contract with Bobbi Isom as Elementary Principal for the 2023-24 school year. Motion carried.

Burnside: Aye, Connell: Aye, F. Kramer: Aye, K. Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Walz: Aye

Moved by F. Kramer, seconded by Burnside, to approve contract with Jeremiah Johnson as Secondary Principal and Activities Director for the 2023-24 school year. Motion carried.

Burnside: Aye, Connell: Aye, F. Kramer: Aye, K. Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Walz: Aye

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

The closed session started at 8:53 p.m. and ended at 9:11 p.m. Moved by Walz, seconded by K. Kramer, to going into executive session to protect the reputation of the individual. Motion carried.

Burnside: Aye, Connell: Aye, F. Kramer: Aye, K. Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Walz: Aye

Moved by Walz, seconded by Connell, to approve certified contracts for 2023-2024 school year. Motion carried.

Burnside: Aye, Connell: Aye, F. Kramer: Aye, K. Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Walz: Aye

The Board discussed, considered, and took all necessary action with respect to ongoing litigation and indemnification of involved employees. Moved by K. Kramer, seconded by Walz, to indemnify Mr. Redinger, including defense costs, and direct school district attorneys to assist with that defense. Motion carried.

Burnside: Aye, Connell: Aye, F. Kramer: Aye, K. Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Walz: Aye

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

The closed session started at 9:15 p.m. and ended at 10:06 p.m.

The next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, April 17, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the library at Stapleton Public Schools.

President F. Kramer adjourned the meeting at p.m.

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Kim Kramer, Secretary