

Board of Education Meeting
Stapleton Public Schools
District 57-0501
September 18, 2023

President F. Kramer called the regular meeting of the Stapleton Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:10 p.m. on Monday, September 18, 2023, in the library at Stapleton Public Schools. Rich Burnside: Present, Chance Connell: Present, Frank F. Kramer: Present, Kim K. Kramer: Present, Kristy Opela: Present, Rex Walz: Present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited; the board vision and goals were read aloud.

President F. Kramer observed Open Meeting Law requirements.

Four board members and Superintendent Redinger attended the NASB annual membership meeting held in North Platte. Highlights of breakout sessions attended were presented.

Moved by Walz, seconded by Burnside, to approve the board meeting agenda as presented. 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, September 14, 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.

Chris Norm, representing the Logan County Ag Society, addressed the board regarding the wrestling program renting the ag building for practice. He is requesting the rent raise to \$2,500 for 2023-2024 school year from \$1500 to cover costs.

Duane McClain addressed the board thanking them for the great job they do to represent the school.

Mrs. Erin Hynes presented a report to the board pertaining to her K-12 Art program and curriculum.

Moved by K. Kramer, seconded by Connell, to approve the August 21, 2023, Regular Board Meeting minutes as presented. 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 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: applications for junior chamber members were given to Chamber Board and waiting to see who is selected.

The Activities Director's report given by Jeremiah Johnson included the following: fall sports update for junior high and high school, play production practice has begun with 30 students participating, updates to community, live stream viewing activities, marching band is working on performing, FFA is working hard, kudos to Mrs. Stewart on homecoming activities, official contracts, thanks to office staff, Bridget Weems, custodian and maintenance personnel for all their help with making things run smoothly, and youth programs and helping them.

PK-6 Principal Isom's report included: 31 students currently receiving SPED and speech services, 18 students being served in the Title I program, testing goals for the grades becoming more individual goals for next year, providing inclusive SPED and Title I services in the classroom for students, homecoming week including elementary, Ricky Robertson presented the teacher in-service, Partner Up Rodeo 7 students attended with 7 older students went as volunteers to help with the day, concerns involving discipline issues with a couple elementary students, and CPI training is available for deescalation and restraint for elementary staff to help with discipline issues.

7-12 Principal/AD Johnson's report included: first round of MAPS testing has been completed, results from the testing for the grades, juniors and seniors attended a career fair, ninth hour has started for students on the down list, enforcing tardy policy, Mrs. Doty is emphasizing vocabulary goals for CIP, and fall teacher observations being scheduled.

The Americanism Committee reported highlights on their meeting including, discussion on what is being taught in different classrooms involving Americanism and having students go to the state and national capitals.

The Transportation Committee met and discussed mileage on current vehicles and needs of the district.

Superintendent Redinger's report presented information on the following: possible attendance of a former homeschooled option student and response by home district involving the attendance, State NASB Conference, working on learning skills program for training students with dyslexia and other learning disabilities, Van 13 was made as a 15 passenger van previously, wheelchair vans are 80% reimbursable from SPED and extended Thanksgiving break possibly.

Moved by Burnside, seconded by F. Kramer, to approve the budget of expenditures as presented for the 2023-24 fiscal year for all district funds including General, Depreciation, Employee Benefits, Contingency, Activities, Special Building, Bond, School Lunch, Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking, Cooperative, and Student Fee as presented during the budget hearing. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Connell, seconded by K. Kramer, to approve the resolution to set the property tax request of \$2,584,847 for the General Fund and \$213,422 for the Bond Fund for the 2023-2024 fiscal year as presented. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Walz, seconded by Opela, to approve the repayment of the 2022 loan made from the Special Building Fund to the Bond Fund. Motion carried.

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

Discussion was held on Board of Education Policy #5045 as it pertains to elementary band fees. Moved by K. Kramer, seconded by F. Kramer, to approve funding elementary band at no cost to the students. Motion carried.

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

The board discussed the student capacities of programs, classes, or schools for the 2024-25 school year.

The board recessed from 9:03-9:08 p.m. Moved by Burnside, seconded by Connell, to approve resolution setting capacity limits for special education with specific academic and behavioral support at three and programmic and alternative ed closed for the 2024-25 school year. Motion carried.

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

The Board reviewed Board of Education Policies 3002, 3003, 3004, 3005, 3007, 3008, 3009, 3010, 3011, 3012, 3013, 3015, 3016, 3017, 3018, 3019, 3020, 3021, 3022, 3023, 3024, 3025, 3026, 3027, 3028, 3029, 3030, 3031, 3032, 3033 and 3035.

Discussion was held on improvement to building and grounds including repair to superintendent house basement, adding underground sprinkler, removing trees and cleaning up areas behind the school building and removing weeds and sandburs.

Moved by F. Kramer, seconded by Burnside, to approve bid purchase of the 2025 Thomas C2 bus from Nebraska Truck Center. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Walz, seconded by Burnside, to table purchase of other school vehicles. Motion carried.

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

Moved by K. Kramer, seconded by Opela, to approve 2024-2028 sports cooperative agreement with McPherson County Public Schools as presented. Motion carried.

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

The next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, October 16, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the library at Stapleton Public Schools.

President F. Kramer adjourned the meeting at 10:35 p.m.

Kim Kramer, Secretary