

October 15, 2018

Call to Order:

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Somers School District 29 was called to order at 6:05 p.m. in the Lakeside Elementary Music Room per Chairperson John Hollensteiner. Those in attendance stood for the pledge to the flag.

Roll Call:

Board members present were John Hollensteiner, Courtney Shaeffer, Mary Obermiller, and Meredith Coopman. Jenny Montague was excused. Administration present were Superintendent Joe Price, Somers Middle School Principal Rose McIntyre, Lakeside Elementary Principal John Thies, and Clerk Diane Fetterhoff.

Visitors:

Holiday Madich, Coleene Torgerson, Bri McGrath, Ben Umbriaco Rob Ford, Lorrie Gomez, and Tina Lerum.

Minutes:

Courtney Shaeffer moved to approve the minutes from the September 17, 2018 Regular Board Meeting. Meredith Coopman seconded the motion. For 4 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

Public Participation: None

Communications:

- a.) Fall Student Count for ANB – October 1, 2018
- b.) Community Use of School Facilities
Superintendent Price handed out copies of the present and suggested MTSBA Policy/Forms for Community Use of School Facilities. The Board Policy Committee will further review at their next meeting on November 6, 2018 for considerations and or changes.
- c.) Electric Usage Worksheet

Policy Considerations/Changes:

- a.) Board of Trustees Section – Resignation #1112 – Revision 1st Reading Completed.
- b.) Board of Trustees Section – Vacancies #1113 – Revision 1st Reading Completed
- c.) Board of Trustees Section – Abstentions From Voting #1425 – Deletion 1st Reading Completed.
- d.) Board of Trustees Section – Conflict of Interest #1512 – Revision 1st Reading Completed.
- e.) Instruction Section – School Year Calendar and Day #2100 – Revision 1st Reading Completed.
- f.) Community Relations Section – Visitors to Schools #4301 – Revision 1st Reading Completed.
- g.) Financial Management Section – Crowdfunding Proposals #7225 – New Policy 1st Reading Completed.
- h.) Non-Instructional Operations Section – Service Animals #8425 – New Policy 1st Reading Completed.
- i.) Non-Instructional Operations Section – Service Animal Allowance Procedure #8425P – New Procedure 1st Reading Completed.

Committees / Reports:

Superintendent Report: Written report included in board packet

Additionally:

- 1.) PTA has completed the installation of the new playground piece at Lakeside.
- 2.) Major water line leak in the ceiling in the music room at Lakeside.

Principal Reports: Written reports included in board packets

John Thies Additionally:

- 1.) 12” of Bark was laid under the new playground equipment
- 2.) 141 parents have signed up for the Harvest Lunch
- 3.) Kudos to our district Bus Drivers.

Staff Reports:

Ben Umbriaco, LES: Kudos to Nate Dorcheus. Doing a great job.

Holiday Madich, SMS: 6th Grade Field Trip to Avalanche Creek to kick-off this year's Geology Curriculum.

Rob Ford, SMS: Sara Wilson is back substituting at Lakeside.

Coleene Torgerson, LES: Kindergarten field trip to Pumpkin Patch.

Buildings and Facilities Discussion: Superintendent Price reported that new design plans should be finalized at the next design committee meeting scheduled for the end of October. Finalized plans will be presented to board with a recommendation for approval. Bid process for construction will be open in January with construction starting in March.

Financial and Federal Programs Committee: No Report

Disciplinary and Public Relations Committee: No Report

Buildings, Facilities and Grounds Committee: No Report

Transportation and School Food Committee: No Report

Curriculum and Extracurricular/PIR-CP Committee: No Report

Policy Committee: Mary Obermiller reported that the committee met September 25th to consider the above presented existing board policies for review as well as new board polices. Overview of committee considerations for policies were included in board packets. Recommendation for approval for revisions and adoption 1st Readings. Next policy committee meeting is scheduled for November 6, 2018 at Lakeside School at 5:00 p.m.

Negotiations Committee: No Report

Personnel Committee: No Report.

Schedule Meetings:

- a.) Negotiations Committee Meeting – October 30, 2018 – 7:30 am - Somers Middle School
- b.) Policy Committee Meeting – November 6, 2018 – 5:00 pm – Lakeside Elementary
- c.) Regular Monthly Meeting – November 12, 2018 – 6:00 pm – Somers Middle School

Consent Agenda:

Courtney Shaeffer moved to:

- a.) Approve 2018-19 Out-of-District Attendance Requests (2) w/Attachments
- b.) Acknowledge 2018-19 Out-of District Attendance to Fair-Mont Egan District #3
- c.) Acknowledge 2018-19 Out-of-District Attendance to Creston District #9
- d.) Offer 2018-2019 Basketball Coach Positions
 - 5th Grade – Jackson Holm
 - 6th Grade – Erin Jornonen
 - 7th Grade – Sierra Siblingud
 - 8th Grade – Kelsey Gillespie

Meredith Coopman seconded the motion. For 4 Opposed 0. Motions carried.

Singular Action Items:

- a.) Courtney Shaeffer moved to approve the Staff Handbook with modifications to the document noted. Meredith Coopman seconded the motion. Discussion. For 4 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

Courtney Shaeffer moved that expenditures presented for payment be approved. Meredith Coopman seconded the motion. Discussion. For 4 Opposed 0. Motion carried.

Courtney Shaeffer moved that the meeting adjourn at 6:55 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

John Hollensteiner, Chairperson

Diane J. Fetterhoff, Clerk