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The Board of Education of the Sterling Public School District met in regular session on Monday, May 10th at 8:00 p.m. in the Art Room as advertised in the Tecumseh Chieftain and Hickman Voice News. Board members present included: Dottie Heusman, Andrea Heusman, Mike Hestermann, Tom Nieveen, Paul Saathoff and Cherie Wirthele. Others present included Jill Shea, Principal Greg Peterson and Superintendent Larry Harnisch.

President Nieveen informed the public that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted at the entrance of the meeting room. All items on the consent agenda were approved as presented and a listing of approved claims are listed at the end of this summary.

The Transportation Committee reported that they had selected a 12 Passenger Chevy van as specified in state contract #12620 OC to be purchased with Special Education ARRA Grant. This van will be used primarily for transporting special education students to the ESU 4 Learning Center in Auburn.

Jill Shea reported that the district will be using the web based NWEA testing beginning September and April next year. This will replace the Terra Nova Achievement tests that had been used for years.

Principal Peterson's reported on: (a) Elementary Reading workshop May 27 & 28th. (b) Final exam schedule, (c) Wireless microphone may be outlawed in school gymnasiums, (d) Volleyball & basketball camps scheduled for June & July.

Superintendent Harnisch reported on (a) Virginia Thiesfeld is back teaching half days as of May 4th, (b) The kitchen floor and cafeteria floors will be stripped beginning the end of May and the Gym floor is scheduled for July. (c) Supt. office will be closed May 25 to June 8th.

In action items on the agenda, the board:

- a. Approved on second reading board policy 5127 "Graduation Requirements."
- b. Approved on first reading board policy 5420 "Dating Violence."
- c. Approved Activity Schedule for 2010-11 which included the following changes:
Elimination of Spirit Squad Sponsor, Melissa Boldt will serve as Homecoming Sponsor, Teresa Karr will be assistance Volleyball coach, and Melissa Boldt will be the Jr. High Girls Volleyball coach.
- d. Decided to freeze classified salaries rather than injecting a reduction in force.
- e. Set the following hot lunch prices for 2010-11: Breakfast \$1.25, El. Lunch \$2.00, 6-12 lunch \$2.25 and adult lunches at \$3.00.

In discussion items: (a) Mr. Harnisch presented a Roof Survey completed by Tremco Inc. on the districts buildings that included a 5 year plan, (b) Mike Hestermann and Andrea were appointed to select a plaque to recognize donations received in the Sterling Public School Foundation Improvement. Discussion will continue at June meeting on possible projects to be completed with donations.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:02 p.m. with the next meeting scheduled for June 14th at 7:30 p.m.