

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF STERLING PUBLIC SCHOOLS, DISTRICT #33
THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 2016

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Sterling Public Schools was convened in open and public session on Thursday, April 14, 2016, at 7:37 p.m. in the Music Room at Sterling Public School 250 Main, Sterling, Nebraska. The roll was called and the following Board members were present or absent:

Present: Agena, Goracke, Harms, Hestermann, Vollman, Wirthele

Superintendent Knippelmeyer, Principal Ryun Theobald, Athletic/Transportation Director Brent Heusman, Emilia Woeppel, Micah Erickson and Sydney Goracke were in attendance. Also attending but not speaking were Ann Wickett and Sara Hier.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. The agenda was posted in accordance to board policy. All proceedings of the Board of Education, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance.
- II. The meeting was duly called to order. At the beginning of this meeting, President Harms announced about the Open Meeting Act and how it was posted on the wall at the entrance of the meeting room wall. Then roll call was taken.
- III. No Public Comments
- IV. A motion was made by Hestermann, seconded by Agena to accept the consent agenda with minutes from the March 21, 2016 regular meeting as presented. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Voting for: Agena, Goracke, Harms, Hestermann, Vollman, Wirthele
Voting against: none
Motion carried
- V. Teacher Reports
Sponsor Emilia Woeppel, along with students Sydney Goracke and Micah Erickson shared with the board the progress of the FFA Chapter and their recent attendance at the State FFA Conference in Lincoln. There are currently 15 members in the Sterling FFA Chapter.
- VI. Board Reports
Agena shared with the board about her attendance at the Sterling Village Board meeting. She informed the board of some areas the village board is working towards and how we may be able to work together.
- VII. Administrative Reports.
Athletic Director, Transportation and Maintenance Director Report. (see attached report)
Brent Heusman reported on football field and yard work that has been completed, bus driver evaluations, repair work on a bus, track season in full swing, and the upcoming Sertoma Banquet in Beatrice.

Principal's Report. (see attached report)
Mr. Theobald presented to the board on the completion of the NWEA MAPS and the current NeSA testing, teacher observations have been completed, athletic participation survey to students, attendance at upcoming AQuESST Data Conference in Kearney and the plans to have all upcoming events and activities in the gym as previously scheduled.

Superintendent's Report. (see attached report)
Mr. Knippelmeyer reported to the board on the nomination for a Monsanto Grant, covering a coaching absence this spring, letter and survey sent to all option out families, update on legislative issues and some changes with the distance learning Spanish instruction for the 2016-2017 year.
- VIII. Action Items
 - A. Commendations

Discussion was held, but no action was taken.

B. Southeast Nebraska Regional Program Interlocal Agreement

A motion was made by Wirthele, seconded by Vollman to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Lincoln Public Schools for Southeast Nebraska Regional Program Services for Students who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing for the 2016-2017 school year. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Voting for: Agena, Goracke, Harms, Hestermann, Vollman, Wirthele

Voting against: none

Motion carried

C. Option Enrollment Application

Discussion was held, but no action was taken.

D. Pre-Kindergarten Teacher Contract

A motion was made by Goracke, seconded by Harms to approve the certified teaching contract for Katie Marshall for the 2016-2017 school year. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Voting for: Agena, Goracke, Harms, Hestermann, Vollman, Wirthele

Voting against: none

Motion carried

E. 2016-2017 Certified Teacher Contracts

A motion was made by Hestermann, seconded by Goracke to approve the certified teaching contracts for the 2016-2017 school year as presented by the administration. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Voting for: Agena, Goracke, Harms, Hestermann, Vollman, Wirthele

Voting against: none

Motion carried

F. Replacement of Gym Lights

A motion was made by Wirthele, seconded by Hestermann to approve the bid to replace the gym lights from Al Wusk Electric at a cost not to exceed \$16,020. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Voting for: Agena, Goracke, Harms, Hestermann, Vollman, Wirthele

Voting against: none

Motion carried

G. Replacement of Gym Scoreboards

A motion was made by Wirthele, seconded by Agena to table Item G until the May 2016 regular meeting. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Voting for: Agena, Goracke, Harms, Hestermann, Vollman, Wirthele

Voting against: none

Motion carried

IX. Non Action Items

A. Discussion was held on updates on Gym Work, Building and Facilities. The board discussed forming a committee to work with the village board and community association.

B. Discussion was held on the Gym Sound System Quotes.

C. Discussion was held on option of Educator Health Alliance - \$3500 Health Savings Account Options at no cost to the school district.

D. Discussion was held on the summer custodial and facilities work projects.

E. Graduation participation by board members was discussed.

- F. Discussion on having a Board Workshop prior to the May 2016 regular board meeting at 6:45 p.m.
- X. There will be a Regular meeting of the Sterling Board of Education held on Monday, May 16, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in the school Music room.
- XI. President Harms adjourned the meeting at 9:06 p.m.

The meeting was duly adjourned.
DATED this 14th, April 2016

JOHNSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #33,
a/k/a STERLING PUBLIC SCHOOLS

ATTEST:

Secretary