

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF STERLING PUBLIC SCHOOLS, DISTRICT #33
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2015

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Sterling Public Schools was convened in open and public session on Wednesday, September 16, 2015, at 7:30 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, Wirthele

Absent: Vollman

Superintendent Knippelmeyer, Principal Ryun Theobald, and Athletic/Transportation Director Brent Heusman were in attendance. Also attending but not speaking was Ann Wickett, Jill Shea, and Michelle Salberg.

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.
- III. A motion was made by Hestermann, seconded by Harms to approve the absence of board member Rick Vollman. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
Voting for: Agena, Harms, Hestermann, Goracke, Wirthele
Voting against: none
Motion carried
- IV. A motion was made by Hestermann, seconded by Agena to accept the consent agenda with minutes from the August 17, 2015 regular meeting, and special board meeting minutes from September 2, 2015 as presented, with the addition of the reimbursement check for special education transportation. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
Voting for: Agena, Goracke, Harms, Hestermann, Wirthele
Voting against: none
Motion carried
- V. Mr. Knippelmeyer shared with the board a video presentation, designed by Mr. Davenport and his computer class to be put on the school website.
- VI. Administrative Reports. (see attached report)
Transportation and Maintenance Director Brent Heusman reported on MUDECAS volleyball September 14th -18th, low numbers in other schools causing us to lose JV football games on the schedule, the 80 day inspections on all the transportation were completed, information on the stage curtain, scoreboard installation and painting of goal post, and work on the drainage between buildings.

Principal's Report. (see attached report)

Mr. Theobald presented to the board on having completed the first round of DIBELS testing in elementary, FBLA has selected officers, Prom being moved to April 16th due to conflicts with FFA and FBLA, and No elementary school on December 2nd for teacher workshop at ESU 4.

Superintendent's Report. (see attached report)

Mr. Knippelmeyer reported to the board on the playground upgrades being completed, completion of reports due to Nebraska Department of Education, planning to attend the School Law Conference in Kearney on Sept. 23 as well as the session by NCSA for new superintendents, Parent-Teacher Conferences will be September 24th from 2-8:30 p.m., Marzano training for all teachers is Sept. 29-30 in Lincoln, Dana Cole Co. will be doing the 14-15 audit on October 8th, walkway between shop and school needs repaired, getting bids for snow removal, and the ALICAP visit by Ed Johnson went well.

VII. Action Items

A. Commendations

Motion was made by Goracke and seconded by Agena to approve the recommendation from administration for Board Commendations to Kenny Wentz, Alan Wusk, Mark Wusk, Terry Thies, Harold Richardson, Ryun Theobald, and Brent Heusman. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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

Voting against: none

B. Policies

A motion was made by Hestermann, seconded by Goracke to approve the following board policy on second reading: 3130-Purchasing Policies. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows: After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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

Voting against: none

Motion carried

C. 2015-2016 Budget Approval

A motion was made by Hestermann, seconded by Wirthele to approve the 2015-2016 budget as presented, General Fund: \$4,802,933; Depreciation Fund: \$490,111; Employee Benefit Fund: \$20,000; Activities Fund: \$225,000; School Lunch Fund: \$126,000; Bond Fund: \$221,667; Special Building Fund: \$399,383; QCPUF: \$79,000; Student Fees Fund: \$845. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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

Voting against: none

Motion carried

D. Tax Request Approval for 2015-2016

A motion was made by Agena, seconded by Goracke to approve the 2015-2016 Property Tax Request as presented, General Fund: \$2,439,254.52; Bond Fund: \$181,818.18; Special Building Fund: \$143,366.67; QCPUF: \$74,237.37. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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

Voting against: none

Motion carried

E. Stage Curtain

A motion was made by Hestermann, seconded by Agena to approve the replacement of the front stage curtain and valance from Omaha Stage at a cost not to exceed \$5,500. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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

Voting against: none

Motion carried

F. Bleachers

Motion was made by Agena and seconded by Goracke to approve the administration to solicit bids to replace the bleachers in the gym. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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

Voting against: none

Motion carried

G. Updating Teacher Computers

A motion was made by Hestermann, seconded by Wirthele move to approve the administration to solicit bids to replace teacher computers. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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

Voting against: none

Motion carried

H. Phone System

A motion was made by Goracke, seconded by Agena move to approve the administration to solicit bids to replace the school's phone system. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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

Voting against: none
Motion carried

Item 11. A Van

A motion was made by Wirthele, seconded by Agena move to approve the purchase of a 2013 van at a price not to exceed \$10,000 from Mr. H's Auto R & R. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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

Voting against: none

Motion carried

VIII. Non Action Items

The board set a special goal setting workshop for October 5th. The regular board meeting for October will be on October 12, 2015.

Discussion was held on the upcoming NASB regional membership meeting and awards on October 7th in Nebraska City, and the upcoming November 18th-20th NASB state convention in LaVista, NE.

A tentative Annual Board calendar was reviewed.

Discussion was held on Superintendent Evaluation samples from the NASB and previous evaluation forms used.

IX. There will be a Regular meeting of the Sterling Board of Education held on Monday, October 12, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. in the school Music room.

X. A motion was made by Hestermann, seconded by Goracke move to adjourn the meeting at 9:13 p.m. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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

Voting against: none

Motion carried

The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

The meeting was duly adjourned.
DATED this 16th, September 2015

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

ATTEST:

Secretary