

SOUTH NODAWAY R-IV SCHOOLS
REGULAR MEETING – December 19, 2012

A quorum being present and due notice having been published according to Section 610.010 & 610.022 RSMo, the regular meeting of the South Nodaway R-IV Board of Education was called to order by President Lori Murphy on Wednesday, December 19, 2012 at 7:03 p.m. in the library at the high school in Barnard, Missouri.

Members Present: Lori Murphy – President;– Steve Farnan - Vice President; Chris LaMaster – Member; Shawn Beck – Member; Rick Holtman – Member, arrived at 7:08p.m.; Janet Hilsabeck – Member; and Macia Kemper – Member. Other School Personnel Present: Darbi Bauman, Elementary Principal; Shawn Emerson, High School Principal; Kyle Collins, Superintendent and Brandy Wolf, Board Secretary.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of Agenda and/or additions
- Approval of Minutes (November 15, 2012 regular meeting)
- Approval of Principals' and Superintendent's Reports
- Approval of Warrant #6
- Approval of Executive Session Minutes from November 5 and 15th, 2012

Steve Farnan made a motion and Chris LaMaster seconded to accept the consent agenda. The motion carried 6-1. With Rick Holtman abstaining.

Visitors, Delegations, Interviews

None

Teacher Representative Comments

Dorothy Nelson stated in her written report that there are two seniors, 3 sophomores, 4 ninth graders, and 4 seventh graders in the special education program. The seniors have completed their Exit IEP's and have taken their ACT exams twice. Both of them will be attending college. I have attended a law conference and a workshop at the Downs Syndrome Guild in Kansas City. Each month a group of Downs students meet to do activities that will aid them in transitioning into adult life. The family that I serve and myself will attend one of these activities in January. I have a very interesting group of students who have more gifts than disabilities.

Committee Reports

There were none at this time.

Elementary, High School, and Superintendent's Reports

Elementary Principal Darbi Bauman commented in her written report that the average daily attendance was at 97.8%. The Elementary Christmas program was held on December 6th. Thank you to Mrs. Davis, students and teachers for all of their hard work. Thank you to Mr. Emerson, Mr. Wray, Lisa and the staff at the high school for all of their help and our disruptions from practice. There has been 7 new students (4 families), enrolled into school during the first semester. PTO Santa's Workshop was a great success this year. There were several volunteers from the community that helped the students shop. We also had a Secret Santa donate \$5 to every child in preschool through sixth grade to shop for their loved ones. The 3rd-6th graders piloted the ACT test for elementary students in Reading, Math, Science, and Social Studies. By participating, our school earned an iPad to be shared by the classes. The recycling committee at the elementary has launched a paper recycling project through the

Northwest Missouri Regional Solid Waste Management District. We will be collecting paper and recycling until Earth Day. The committee collects the paper every Friday and weighs it. Last week we collected 24.5 pounds of paper. Mrs. Carter and the Service Learning Committee collected items to go to the VA Hospital for veterans to give as gifts. Brad Wolf and the National Guard in St. Joseph made a huge donation of hundreds of shirts which helped us surpass our goal. The 6th graders decided to adopt families for Christmas again this year for their service project. The Christmas party is scheduled for December 20th and the Principal's Pajama Party is scheduled for December 21st.

High School Principal Shawn Emerson stated in his written report that attendance for December is at 95.8%. There are 14 students with perfect attendance. The ACT prep class took the practice ACT in October and then toured NWMSU on December 12. This class has been a great addition to our curriculum. It has really helped our students understand questions that will be on the ACT and allows our students the chance to better prepare to succeed on the ACT. The Psychology class toured the Glore Psychiatric Museum in St. Joseph on December 12. The fall Sports Banquet is scheduled for December 20th. Congratulations to our girls Basketball team who won Consolation in the PVC Conference Tournament and to the boys who won 3rd place. Congratulations to Dakota Murphy who was 1st team Football All Conference, 1st team Football All District, and 2nd team Football All State. Congratulations to Blake Meyer who was also 1st team Football All Conference. Congratulations to Silas Nielson who was 1st team Football All District. Also Silas Nielson, Austin Pulley, Dalton Murphy, Garrett LaMaster were named Honorable Mention Football All Conference. Congratulations also goes out to Allison Hilsabeck and Kristen Nielson for Softball All District honors. The Stanberry Basketball Tournament is scheduled for January 7-12. Our first Junior High Academic Meet is scheduled for January 10 at South Nodaway.

Superintendent Kyle Collins told members in his written report that the elementary school did a very good job with the Christmas program. He is currently working with the Tech Coordinator, Kyle Budine, to make the entire high school wireless. This will enable students and teachers to log into the network anywhere in the building with any device they may be using. It will also enable us to move forward with transitioning to paperless board meetings. Our consortium did not receive the Race to the Top Grant. There were no schools in Missouri selected for this grant.

OLD BUSINESS:

Robert Davis construction update: We started this week with the monthly progress meeting. The building schedule has been updated. Footings were to be poured this week according to this schedule. As of Thursday morning concrete was ready to be poured according to the contractors. Mr. Davis wrote a deviation/correction notice report on the anchor bolts being set while the concrete was wet, which is not the correct way to do it according to Mr. Davis. A deviation/correction notice means when the detail is not per their specifications according to the plan. Mr. Davis has had conversations with the structural engineer to make sure that this gets fixed. The footing at the this point is 2/3 poured.

Doug Boe from River Bluff Architects was here to discuss the electrical that was left out of the bid of the conduit. When the project was started they realized the budget was tight and needed to get the project done within that amount. MC Cable was chosen to be used. The South Nodaway Construction Committee requested that conduit be added throughout and instructed River Bluff to add this to the bid addendum. However, River Bluff did not get the addendum submitted, and error which they acknowledge. Now they are looking at pricing of the conduit to see how

much it is going to cost to add to the budget. Doug says it was caught early enough as to not accrue any additional cost that wouldn't have been labor otherwise. There has been an increase in product prices. River Bluff is offering to cover 10 percent of the cost since it was left off in their error. Their errors and omissions insurance does not normally cover this sort of thing. They took a week and a half to go over documents to make sure the conduit was not listed somewhere else in other documents. The board has offered a 50% negotiation which the architects will take back and see if they are able to work this issue out. They will also look at some alternates and bring an itemized breakdown to the board.

Paperless Board Meeting:

Dr. Collins has looked at one program that a local vendor handles and has also talked to Kyle Budine our technology coordinator to see if this is something we want to go ahead with. The program is webbased. Dr. Collins has also been working with Mr. Budine to make the high school wireless. We are also looking at Chrome books for board meetings that will also act as computers that students could check out.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Audit-Management, Discussion and Analysis:

Board members were given the 2011-12 Audit in their packets for review prior to the board meeting. Macia Kemper made a motion to accept the 2011-12 audit from R. Scott Stephens, C.P.A from Chillicothe. Janet Hillsabeck seconded the motion and the motion carried 7-0.

Budget

Not much has changed in regards to the budget. We have expended 3% of the construction expenses. A handout of comparison Salaries for administration and teachers was given to show how we rate on paying our personnel compared to other school districts.

Other Agenda Items

Our student that went to ACES graduated and Mr. Emerson was able to go to his graduation and took him his diploma.

Movement into Executive Session, In Conformity with Section RSMo 610.021 (13) for legal actions, causes of actions or litigation involving the district and any confidential or privileged communication between the Board or the Board's representative and its attorneys.

Macia Kemper made a motion to go into executive session at 8:43 p.m. to discuss legal actions, causes of actions or litigation involving the district and any confidential or privileged communication between the Board or the Board's representatives and its attorneys. Rick Holtman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Shawn Beck, yes; Chris LaMaster, yes; Steve Farnan, yes; Lori Murphy, yes; Rick Holtman, yes; Macia Kemper, yes; and Janet Hillsabeck, yes.

Litigation was discussed.

Shawn Beck made a motion at 8:59 p.m. to come out of executive session and return to open session. Chris LaMaster seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Shawn Beck, yes; Chris LaMaster, yes; Steve Farnan, yes; Lori Murphy, yes; Rick Holtman, yes; Janet Hillsabeck, yes; and Macia Kemper, yes.

Adjournment

Shawn Beck made a motion to adjourn and Lori Murphy seconded the motion. It carried and the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

The next meeting was scheduled to be January 16, 2013 in the high school library.

Approved by the South Nodaway R-IV Board of Education.

President

Secretary

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