

SOUTH NODAWAY R-IV SCHOOLS
REGULAR MEETING –July 16, 2014

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 Chris LaMaster on Wednesday, July 16 , 2014 at 7:01 p.m. in the Commons area at the school in Barnard, Missouri.

Members Present: Chris LaMaster – President; Macia Kemper - Vice President; Rick Holtman – Member; Shawn Beck – Member; Steve Farnan – Member; Janet Hilsabeck – Member; and Debbie Bennett – Member, Absent. Other School Personnel Present: Johnnie Silkett, Superintendent and Brandy Wolf, Board Secretary. Also present was Kathryn Rice, Nodaway News Leader.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Agenda and/or additions
Approval of Minutes (June 18, 2014 regular meeting)
Approval of Superintendent's Report
Approval of Warrant #1.

Chris Lamaster made motion to remove warrant #1 from the consent agenda. Shawn Beck seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Janet Hisabeck motioned and Macia Kemper seconded to accept the consent agenda. The motion carried 6-0.

Shawn Beck made a motion to approve the Warrant #1. Rick Holtman seconded. The motion carried 5-0 with one abstaining.

Visitors, Delegations, Interviews

None at this time.

Teacher Representative Comments

None at this time.

Committee Reports

There were none at this time.

Superintendent's Reports

Superintendent Johnnie Silkett told members in his written report that he has received feedback on the tuition rate for out of district students. Mr. Silkett thinks that the district should set the tuition anywhere from \$2,000 to \$3,000 for the first child and \$100.00 to \$300.00 for every additional student. Mr. Silkett states that the gym ceiling has been installed, the new LED lights have been installed and the gym floor has been refinished.. The district came in way under budget on those items. Maintenance has been started on the locker rooms as well as the construction of a family bathroom. Superintendent Silkett would like to drop the athletic fees that the students pay but instead would have a technology fee for grades 7-12. The money

that is collected for this fee would go to repair any damaged chromebooks as well as purchase new chromebooks at the end of each year.

OLD BUSINESS:

Tuition

Superintendent Silkett suggested to the board to set the tuition rate between \$2000-\$3000 per child with an additional \$100-\$500 per additional child. Discussion was held on other local schools tuition policies. If families paid taxes to the district but not going to our school the tax they paid to the district would come off of their tuition. Macia Kemper made a motion to set the tuition rate at \$2000 for the first child and \$200 for each additional child. Shawn Beck seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

Vo-Tech for Juniors

Superintendent Silkett suggested the district pay for all Juniors and Seniors to go to Vo-Tech. Discussion was held on current policy and the benefits of paying for Juniors and Seniors to go to Vo-Tech. Chris LaMaster made a motion to change the policy to allow the Juniors to attend Vo-Tech at South Nodaway's expense. Macia Kemper seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

2nd Reading of Student Handbook

Superintendent Silkett discussed a change to the handbook in regards to the grade checks and suggested "check periods will run from Monday to Monday for all sports seasons during a playing schedule. A grade "F" in any subject makes the student inelligible until the next check period unless they sign up and attend tutoring before or after school and log a total of two hours that next week, then that student will get a week of probation. They will be eligible to participate in all activities. If they do not complete their tutoring that week then they will be ineligible the following week even if the grade is raised." Discussion was held. Shawn Beck made a motion to second the student handbook. Rick Holtman seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

Certified/Non-Certified Handbooks

Certified/Non-Certified Handbooks will be handed out at the next meeting for approval. President LaMaster would like to create a policy for approval of these handbooks to ensure they are approved annually.

NEW BUSINESS

Heidi Klamm-Parents As Teachers Educator

Elementary Principal Darbi Bauman held interviews for the Parents As Teachers Educator. Janet Hilsabeck made a motion to hire Heidi Klamm for Parents as Teachers Educator and Macia Kemper seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Activity Fees

Superintendent Silkett proposed to eliminate the activity fees for students. Current Activity fee is \$25 per activity with a maximum of \$50 per child.

Chris Lamaster made a motion to eliminate the activity fee for extracurricular activities. Shawn Beck seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

Chromebook/Laptops for Students

The district has purchased 94 chromebooks for student use. Each student in the grades 7-12 will have a laptop/chromebook with a case. The elementary will also all have laptops or chromebooks for use in the classroom. Superintendent Silkett proposed a technology fee of \$25 in which would go towards repairs to the devices or to purchase new technology. The school received a grant from the state for technology in which the state will pay 75% and the school will pay 25%. This will go towards new tower computers in the classrooms. Macia Kemper made a motion for a \$25 technology fee per student in which needs to be paid in the first semester. Janet Hilsabeck seconded the motion. Discussion was held. The motion carried 6-0.

Set Tax Rate Hearing

Tax Rate hearing is set for August 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. with regular board meeting to follow. Rick Holtman made a motion to set the tax rate hearing on August 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. with the regular board meeting to follow and Chris LaMaster seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Reimbursement of Superintendent for June

Discussion was held on reimbursing Superintendent Silkett for the work he did in June before he was under contract. Chris made a motion to reimburse Superintendent Silkett at \$7000 for work that was done the month of June. Shawn Beck seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

Commodity Bids

Trash: Porter Trash at \$150 per month.

Chris LaMaster made a motion to accept bid from Porter Trash. Macia Kemper seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Milk: Hiland Dairy: Chocolate milk \$0.3545; 1% white milk \$.3427; strawberry milk \$.3545

Anderson Erickson: 1% milk \$.2800; Chocolate \$0.2839; Strawberry \$0.2839; Sour Cream \$7.20; and Yogurt \$5.35

Chris LaMaster made motion to accept Anderson Erickson for milk commodity bid. Janet Hilsabeck seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0

Fuel:

McPike Oil Co in Savannah: \$.12 over daily rack cost this includes 500 gallon tank

MFA: unleaded 3.16 per gallon Diesel 3.426

Andrew Co oil: gas not available Diesel 3.1725

A phone call was made to McPike Oil to clarify the bid that was given.

Break from 8:19-8:26

Chris LaMaster made a motion for Superintendent Silkett to make a decision when he found out pertinent information from McPike Oil. Rick Holtman seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

Budget and Training

Superintendent Silkett gave a budget lesson to the board on how to read the ledgers and discussion on what they meant.

Other Agenda Items

President LaMaster wanted to remind the board about BBQ for employees before the open house on August 12.

Arrangements were made.

Adjournment

Shawn Beck made a motion to adjourn and Janet Hilsabeck seconded the motion. It carried and the meeting was adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

The next meeting was scheduled to be August 20, 2014.

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

President

Secretary