

Regular Meeting

March 14, 2011

Miller School Board Minutes

(Unapproved)

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, Miller School District #29-4 was held on Monday, March 14, 2011, in the Junior/Senior High School Library. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by David Fremark, President of the Board. Other members in attendance were Kurt Pfeifle, Connie Schroeder, Kevin Watts, Ed Werdel and Tim Zacher. Absent was Paul Duxbury. Also in attendance were Mike Ruth, Superintendent, Anthony Siebrecht, Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Tammy Caffee, Elementary Principal and Lisa Werdel, Business Manager.

Motion by Zacher, second by Schroeder to approve the amended agenda. All voting aye.

Motion by Pfeifle, second by Zacher to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 25, 2011. All voting aye.

Motion by Werdel, second by Pfeifle to approve the Cash Transactions Report for February 2011, as presented (include report). All voting aye.

Motion by Werdel, second by Watts to approve the claims presented and have warrants drawn for same (list bills). All voting aye.

Visitors were recognized to the meeting: Mark Ketelhut and Tammy Caffee, representing the NCA Committee, gave an overview and what to expect for the upcoming review in April. Lisa Anson, Marissa Resel and Mary Breitling reported on the SDEA Conference they attended in Kansas City, MO in January. Tom Morog and Norm DeWitt discussed renovating the current elementary versus building new.

There were no principals reports given.

Mike Ruth, Superintendent, recommended to not have school on Thursday, March 17th for the state boys basketball tournament. He also recommended we add 3 days to the calendar to make up for the snow days. Mr. Ruth gave a legislative summary reporting that the final school funding was a 8.5% cut to per pupil allocation with the legislature giving a one-time money in the amount of \$12 million for FY12 which will result in a 6.6% cut to the districts. He also informed the board that with the cap on General Fund reserves being lifted, Miller will now be classified as sparse, which could result in more money. Mr. Ruth stated that the city will move the fence around the substation approximately 40 feet to the east so an additional substation can be put in.

Discussion was held on concussion evaluations and the 2011-2012 school calendar.

Motion by Pfeifle, second by Zacher to accept the resignation of April VanDerWerff as paraprofessional effective on March 18, 2011.

Motion by Werdel, second by Watts, to accept the resignation of Kathy Yost as Title I Reading instructor with commendation for years of service. All voting aye.

Motion by Pfeifle, second by Zacher to appoint David Fremark to serve on the Consolidated Board of Equalization. All voting aye.

Motion by Pfeifle, second by Watts to adjust the 2010-2011 school calendar including March 17, 2011 as a no school day and adding May 16th, 17th and 18th as days of school. All voting aye.

Motion by Schroeder, second by Watts to approve the 2011-2012 school calendar as presented. All voting aye.

Motion by Pfeifle, second by Schroeder to approve the request to waive facility use charges for April 9, 2011 for the Kindle benefit. All voting aye.

Motion by Watts, second by Zacher to enter into executive session for the express purpose of student and personnel issues at 8:16 p.m. All voting aye.

President Fremark declared return to regular session at 10:26 p.m.

Motion by Watts, second by Werdel to table the issuance of administrative contracts. All voting aye.

Discussion was held on the wrestling room addition, renovation versus new construction, directing HKG to perform feasibility study comparing renovation to building new. The board decided to have HKG move forward with feasibility study.

The next regular school board meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 11, 2011, at 8:00 p.m. in the junior/senior high school library.

Motion by Werdel, second by Zacher to adjourn at 10:47 p.m. All voting aye.

David Fremark, President

Board of Education

Lisa Werdel

Business Manager