

**SIBLEY EAST PUBLIC SCHOOLS
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 2310
ARLINGTON-GAYLORD-GREEN ISLE
ARLINGTON CAMPUS-MEDIA CENTER
MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2024 @ 6:30 P.M.**

A call to order with a Salute to the Flag started the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Members present: Brian Brandt, Sara Ziegler, Avery Grochow, Ashley Latzke and Rachel Lueth. Members Absent: Laura Reid.

A motion by member Reid, second by member Latzke to approve the agenda with no revisions. The motion was approved. Vote: 5-0

VISITOR COMMENTS: Carol Mader, Arlington resident addressed the board with concerns regarding the closing of the pool, the plan for closing the pool, and asked the board to reconsider their decision to close the pool.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of Minutes: Recommend approval of September 16, 2024 Regular School Board Meeting Minutes. **Resignations:** None **Hires:** Luke Westphal, custodial/maintenance. **Internal Transfer:** Kishan Latchman, Custodial/Maintenance to Technology Asst. **Community Education Volunteer Coach:** Youth Basketball: 3rd Grade Boys - John Stepian, Kameron Berget, Tim Bratsch, Bria Brown, 4th Grade Boys - Scott Husfeldt, 5th Grade Boys - Matt Graham, Andrew Hayden, 6th Grade Boys - Adam Cowell, Rachel Pichelmann, 3rd/4th Grade Girls - Kirsten Guentzel, 5th/6th Grade Girls Todd Fischer, Teresa Jahr.

Fundraiser Requests: FFA - Fruit Sales. **Policies:** Second Reading for Review or Revision: Policy 101 - Legal Status of the School District, Policy 101.1 - Name of the School District, Policy 103 - Complaints: Students, Employees, Parents, Other Persons, Policy 104 - School District Mission Statement. Second Reading for Deletion: Policy 110 - Philosophy of Education, Policy 111 - Achievement Goals for Sibley East Students, Policy 112 - Staff Relations to Students, Policy 113 - Property Respect

A motion was made by member Ziegler, seconded by member Latzke to approve the consent agenda. The motion was approved. Vote: 5-0

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

An introduction of Elizabeth Odenthal and Luna, her therapy dog, was provided to the board. An explanation was provided regarding the purpose and benefits a therapy dog can provide to school aged students. Elizabeth and Luna are at the elementary three (3) mornings a week to greet and work with students.

The World's Best Workforce and Achievement/Integration reports were provided by the Teaching and Learning Coordinator, Elementary Principal, and the Secondary Principal.

BOARD REPORTS:

An update was provided by the finance committee on the building bond refinancing, the audit, and negotiations.

A report was provided regarding the Sibley County Children's Collaborative.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Member Grochow moved, second by member Ziegler, to approve the October 2024 bills totaling \$1,479,823.75. The motion was approved. Vote: 5-0

Member Latzke moved, second by member Ziegler, to call for bids for snow removal for 2024-2025.. The motion was approved. Vote: 5-0

Member Latzke moved, second by member Grochow, to set a board meeting for Thursday, November 14, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. to canvas school board election results. The motion was approved. Vote: 5-0

DONATIONS: \$2,303.50 Sibley County Agricultural Association to Girls Basketball, 41,000.00 Sibley County Agricultural Association to English Trip, \$500.00 Redeemer ELCA Women to student needs, \$900.00 Todd Kettner to Girls Volleyball, \$500.00 Arlington Bank to Wolverine Mascot, \$500.00 Alloy Insurance Agency to Wolverine Mascot, \$300.00 Gaylord Area Chamber of Commerce to Girls Volleyball, 110 T-Shirts Sibley Electric, Inc. to Youth Flag and Tackle Football. A motion was made by member Ziegler, second by member Brandt to accept the donation with gratitude. The motion was approved. Vote: 5-0

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: Elementary principal, Mrs. Feterl, secondary principal, Mr. Wagner, and superintendent, Mr. Seifert provided reports and updates.

OTHER INFORMATION: The board will meet on Thursday, November 14, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Media Center at the Arlington Campus to canvas school board election results. The next Regular School Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 21, 2024 beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Media Center at the Arlington Campus. The Truth in Taxation meeting will be on Monday, December 16, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the Media Center at the Arlington Campus. The Regular School Board Meeting for December will be on Monday, December 16, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the media center at the Arlington Campus.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by member Lueth and seconded by member Latzke to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved. Vote: 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.



Brian Brandt-Board Chair



Avery Grochow - Board Clerk

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