

Arapahoe Public School
Board of Education – Regular Meeting
School Library
December 14th, 2015 7:30 pm

President Todd Watson called the meeting to order at 7:39 pm.

President Todd Watson welcomed the visitors and announced that the Arapahoe Board of Education follows the rules of the Open Meetings Act which is posted.

The following members were present: Todd Watson, Dan Warner, Rod Whipple, Dennis Roskop and Lisa Anderson.

The following member(s) were absent: Kelly Breinig.

Also present was Charlie Curnyn, Superintendent, Bob Braithwait, Principal and Cassie Hilker, Board Secretary. Guest(s) included Tammie Middagh.

A motion was made by Roskop and seconded by Whipple to excuse Kelly Breinig from the meeting. AYES: Warner, Whipple, Roskop, Anderson and Watson. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Warner and seconded by Whipple to approve the agenda. AYES: Whipple, Roskop, Anderson, Watson and Warner. Motion carried 5-0.

President Watson asked for Public Comment - None.

REPORTS

Braithwait reported that the UNL Math Students finished second in Lincoln. Mr. Schaben has started a math club that meets two mornings a week. One Act Play won several acting awards recently at Districts. Winter activities are now underway with Speech, Basketball and Wrestling going strong. Quiz Bowl season has begun and all grade levels have done well and brought home medals. APL Training was very good. I have seen it being used in the classrooms already. All observations are done with staff. Non-Tenured staff will have a second evaluation done in March. I want to thank you for the opportunity to go to Washington DC. It was as rewarding as anything I've experienced in education. NSAA has proposed a transgender policy and is in the comment period, a final policy will be coming later.

Curnyn reported that work has been completed on the 2015-2016 SPED Consolidated Grant. Congratulations to our staff for receiving a #3 "Great School" ranking with the new NDE accountability system AQuESTT. There will be a NASB conference in Lincoln on January 31 – February 1st. Please let me know if you would like to attend.

Board Member Reports – None

Board Committee Reports:

Watson reported that the Negotiations Committee has met and is working through negotiations with the AEA.

Watson also reported that the Buildings & Grounds Committee had a telephone conference with TJ of Clark Enersen and Matt Schendt of Hausmann. They discussed scheduling a community meeting to request the community's input on what needs to be done to then determine the scope of a project.

ACTION ITEMS

A motion was made by Roskop and seconded by Whipple to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. AYES: Roskop, Anderson, Watson, Warner and Whipple. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Whipple and seconded by Warner to approve claims including the General Fund, Equipment Depreciation Fund, Employee Benefit Fund, Lunch Fund, Building Fund, QCPUF and Bus Depreciation Fund totaling \$376,878.47. AYES: Anderson, Watson, Warner, Whipple but abstaining from Claim No. 27452 to ATC for \$496.96 and Roskop. Motion carried 5-0.

The board discussed the three superintendent search firms that presented earlier in the evening.

A motion was made by Warner and seconded by Anderson to select the Nebraska Association of School Boards to conduct the Superintendent Search. AYES: Watson, Warner, Whipple, Roskop and Anderson. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Roskop and seconded by Whipple to approve Ameritas as our finance company to assist with any expansion / renovation projects. AYES: Warner, Whipple, Roskop, Anderson and Watson. Motion carried 5-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Public Comment – None.

The board discussed and reviewed the final audit for the 2014-2015 year from Dana Cole. Anderson requested an actual to budget report similar to what was in the audit be prepared and given to the board either monthly or quarterly.

The board discussed dates and times available to hold a community meeting. The meeting will be run by representatives of the architect and construction firms previously hired. The purpose of the meeting will be to gain the community's input on an expansion / renovation project to then determine the scope of the project. The proposed date of the meeting is January 6th at a time yet to be determined. The board also discussed multiple ways to advertise for the meeting.

The final item up for discussion was the 2016-2017 Certificated Staff Negotiated Agreement.

A motion was made by Watson and seconded by Whipple to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing the collective bargaining agreement, policy # 9370 (b) at 8:40 pm. AYES: Whipple, Roskop, Anderson, Watson and Warner. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Warner and seconded by Whipple to exit executive session at 9:17 pm. AYES: Roskop, Anderson, Watson, Warner and Whipple. Motion carried 5-0.

Community Meeting, Wednesday, January 6th, 2015 at a time yet to be determined.

Regular Board Meeting, Monday, January 11th, 2015 at 7:00 pm.

A motion was made by Warner and seconded by Whipple to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 pm. AYES: Anderson, Watson, Warner, Whipple and Roskop. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Cassie Hilker, Board Secretary