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July 12, 2016

1. Call to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. Establish quorum/Roll Call, Present, Howard Alsdorf, Tony Beardsley, Steve Cox, Joe DeRouen, Alicia Knotts, Mary Ley, Anthony Porchia and Dave Russell(arrived at 6:45)
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Comments from the Public: None
5. Consent Agenda

- Approve minutes from June, Regular School Board Meeting
- Approve February Financial Report
- Enrollment Report – Lottery Data

Motion to approve Consent Agenda by Alicia Knotts and 2nd by Joe DeRouen, motion passed 6 - 0

6. New Business

Board Officer Elections:

A motion was made by Tony Beardsley to nominate Dave Russell for Secretary/Treasurer, Tony Beardsley ask for any other nominations and none were presented. Steve Cox second the nomination and the motion was passed 6 – 0 for Dave Russell to be Secretary/Treasurer. Steve Cox nominated Howard Alsdorf for the Vice President position, Tony Beardsley ask if there were any other nominations and none were presented, Tony Beardsley second the nomination and the nomination passed 6 – 0 for Howard Alsdorf to remain as Vice President. Howard Alsdorf nominated Tony Beardsley for President position. Howard Alsdorf ask if there were any other nominations and none were presented. Steve Cox second the nomination and the motion was carried 6 – 0 for Tony Beardsley to be President.

Principal Board Report – Matt Young (K8) Barb Padgett(HS)

Matt Young shared that we now have 44 students that have signed up for bus transportation.

Summer Projects are going well and shared that the gym renovation was going well that the bleachers have been removed,

The old floor will be removed tomorrow and that 6th grade classroom renovations in the gym were moving along.

The drainage problem and roof repairs are going well.

There is a waiting list for all grades K – 8.

Dance classes have been moved to the Annex.

Pianos have been delivered.

Barb Padgett shared that Patti Stoltman traveled with 12 students to attend a Studio Camp in Ohio.

The HS pianos have arrived and will be set up in the library. They are full size keyboards with weighted keys and full size bench so transition to a regular piano could easily be made.

We will be offering 3 new AP classes this fall, AP Studio Art, AP Statistics and AP Chemistry.

Summer cleaning and maintenance is on schedule.

Athletics (competitive Sports) will be added this fall including Mountain Biking and Cross Country. Heather Wright is attending Google classroom class and will come back and teach staff.

Technology Report and Board Approval on report items – Conner Dohse

The hardware support has been added for our new animation class.

53 Security cameras have been installed with 15 more to do.

Erate project of installing switches and batteries is in process.

Student devices: Conner proposed selling our Ipads 3rd generation because Apple will no longer be support this model. Conner has found a company that will purchase the Ipads for \$113 each for a total of \$93,338. Conner has negotiated a price of \$199 for Chrome Books to replace the Ipads for a total of \$112,503, a difference of \$19,165. That difference will be cover by \$12,000 from a previous Erate project and the budget will cover the remainin \$7,165.

Dave Russell made a motion to sell our Ipads and Anthony Porchia second the motion and the motion was carried 7 – 0

Dave Russell made a motion to purchase the Chrome Books, Joe DeRouen second the motion and the motion was carried 7 – 0

Facility Funding Use/ Benefits – Nathalie Brunell: Employee Benefits: Nathalie spoke with several companies about updating secondary insurance (Dental, Vision and Life Insurance). Nathalie liked JTS Financial they can provide the same rates as their larger school districts.

Board Elections – Spring 2016: There will be 3 board members up for re-election, Anthony Porche, David Russell and Howard Alsdorf. Ms. Ley ask that we think of using a majority for elections so board members are elected in one election instead of two or three for cost saving measures.

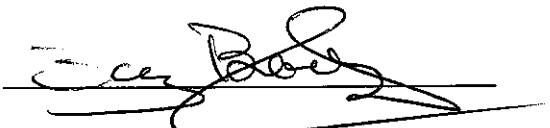
7. Discussion of items since publication of the agenda: Mary Ley shared that Darlene Gregory is doing a great job and has been working hard to lower food costs by negotiating with vendors and has already lowered our milk cost by more than 10 cents a carton.
High School remodel: The benefactors have hired a consultant and they have already contacted our Bond holders for information and Mary and Nathalie several times for further information.
Howard Alsdorf mentioned a reality tv producer has contacted us about doing a show about AAA.
Ms. Ley has contacted them for further information.

8. Personnel: Hiring/Renewal/Promotion/Demotion/Transfer/Non-Renewal/Termination): Moved to Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. and moved back to public meeting at 7:41 p.m.

9. Adjournment at 7:54 p.m.

10. Upcoming Events

Open Houses will be held Aug 8th for the HS, Aug 9th for MS and Aug 10 for Elem and the first day of school will be August 11th.



Tony Beardsley, President