

Regular Board Meeting - October 11, 2023

The Tri-Center Board of Education met October 11, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center.

Board members present were: President Mike Olsen; Board Members: Katie Ausdemore, Sara Arnold, Jeremy VanArsdol, and Amanda Scherer. Others present were Superintendent Angela Huseman; Principals Jami Bertelsen and Chad Harder; Athletic Director Cassie Harris, Curriculum Director Michelle Baatz, and Business Manager/Board Secretary Jennifer Harder.

Board President Olsen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Ausdemore with a second by Arnold to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Arnold with second by VanArsdol to approve the consent agenda including paying the bills, approval of financial reports and the minutes from the previous board meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

Superintendent Huseman, Principals Bertelsen and Harder, Athletic Director Harris, and Curriculum Director Baatz reported on the following items:

- Elementary LTRS training completed unit 1
- Data Day for MS/HS went well today
- Starting post season for Fall activities this week
- Winter sports registration with Bound will be shared soon
- Girls Wrestling Coop
- Field Trips: PK to Vala's Tuesday, 5th Grade on Public Art Tour last week, Kindergarten to Nishna Bend
- Fire Safety later this week for the elementary
- Porktober celebrated in Knd & 1st with live pigs by Haley Fischer from West Pott. Farm Bureau
- Paras in the district are becoming CPI trained
- Positive Office Referrals started in the Elementary this year
- Monster Math night will be October 30th @ TC
- Ag Safety Day was a great success
- Character Strong during advisory for MS/HS
- iJAG update
- FBLA & FCCLA programs are off to a good start this year
- Math staffing update
- Extended Trojan Time starting well
- IASB Convention

Old Business: Audit results from FY22 shared by Business Manager Harder. Motion by VanArsdol and a second by Scherer to approve the report. Motion carried 5-0.

Under New Business, motion by Ausdemore with second by Arnold to table bus bids. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Arnold with a second by Scherer to approve the bid from Motorola to purchase 4 bus radios in the amount of \$11,160.64. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Ausdemore with a second by VanArsdol to approve the contract with CDW for Google Workspace renewal. Motion carried 5-0.

First reading of the following policy.

- 503.8 Discipline of Students Who Make Threats of Violence or Cause Incidents of Violence

Superintendent Huseman discussed the policy. Motion by Scherer with second by Arnold to approve first reading of the above policy and waive the second reading for this mandated policy. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by VanArsdol with a second by Ausdemore to authorize the district's administration to submit a request to the School Budget Review Committee for LEP Allowable costs in the amount of \$2,902.19. Motion carried 5-0.

Girls Wrestling Sharing Agreement shared by Superintendent Huseman and Athletic Director Harris. Motion by Ausdemore with a second by Arnold to start a sharing agreement between AHSTW, Tri-Center and Underwood referred to as "ATU". Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Scherer with a second by Ausdemore to approve a Maintenance Sharing Agreement pending approval of the Underwood School Board. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by VanArsdol with a second by Arnold to approve a stipend to Elizabeth Nielsen and Justin Milliken for additional duties for the 23-24 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

Superintendent Huseman discussed the Rural Schools Advocate of Iowa membership. Motion by Arnold with a second by Ausdemore to join RSAI. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Ausdemore with a second by Arnold to appoint Amanda Scherer as Delegate for IASB convention. Motion carried 5-0.

Nomination procedure for director district #7 seat on the IASB Board shared by Superintendent Huseman.

Annual Review of Attendance Center and course enrollment data was shared for FY24 by Superintendent Huseman.

Motion by Scherer with a second by Ausdemore to approve the hiring of Rebecca Thomas as Wrestling Cheer Coach, Chloe Killpack as Prom Sponsor and Sarah Elliott as MS Girls Basketball Coach all for the 2023-24 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

Negotiation options discussed.

The November meeting will be held November 14th at 5:00 p.m.

Motion by VanArsdol with second by Arnold to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

President Olsen declared the meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Jennifer T. Harder
Business Manager/Board Secretary

Mike Olsen

Board President