

SODA SPRINGS JT. SCHOOL DISTRICT #150

BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 9th, 2013

DISTRICT OFFICE

6:30 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

ALAN ERICKSON CHAIRMAN

JAMES STOOR VICE-CHAIRMAN

CHAD CHRISTENSEN TRUSTEE

1. Call Meeting to Order. Chairman Erickson called the Board meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the above trustees in attendance as well as Dr. Molly Stein, Superintendent, Jonathan Balls, Clerk, Sue Hansen, Principal, Doug Owen, Principal, Robert Daniel, Principal, Doug Hogan, Maintenance Director.

1.1 Approval of Agenda. Chairman Erickson asked if any additional agenda items were needed. No additional agenda items were needed. Trustee Stoor made a motion to approve the agenda as posted. The motion was seconded by Trustee Christensen. Motion passed unanimously.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Erickson invited the trustees, administration, and staff to join in saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Read and Approve Minutes.

2.1 Approve Minutes of December 12th, 2012. Trustee Stoor found in 8.1 the word 'the' should be changed to 'be' and in 8.3 'discussion' should be changed to 'discussed'. Trustee Stoor moved to accept the minutes as amended for December 12th, 2012. The motion was seconded by Trustee Christensen. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Ratify Bills / Budget Report

3.1 Ratify Bills: December 2012 After discussion and questions by the board, Trustee Christensen made a motion to accept the bills from November 2012. Trustee Christensen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

3.2 Budget: None

4. Correspondence. Superintendent Stein mentioned that the District and Board had received thank you notes from the Bonnie Bailey family, JoAnn Robinson family, Jane Garbett, Gina Williams, and Brent John.

5. Public Input: None

6. Faculty/Staff Input: Principal Owen mentioned to the board that the High School was able to purchase 13 bikes with helmets through the penny drive.

7. Old Business

7.1 Final Reading – Policy 522: School Attendance and Habitual Truancy

Trustee Stoor made a comment regarding a grammar change, but no change to the Policy.

7.2 Final Reading – Policy 573: Athletic Activities Insurance

With short discussion, Trustee Stoor made a motion to accept for final reading Policies 522 and 573. Trustee Christensen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7.3 Calendar Change for Common Core Training – February 4th

Superintendent Stein explained that on this day the students would stay home and ISU instructors would come coordinate the efforts and start the plan to align the District for Common Core. The students would still be above the required instructional hours. Trustee Christensen made a motion to accept the calendar change as proposed. Trustee Stoor seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8. New Business

8.1 School Safety Update Superintendent Stein mentioned that they have finished re-evaluating the building for various safety scenarios. She reported the buildings are in good shape. Small changes are being looked at, but overall the buildings are a very safe place for the children to learn.

8.2 Policy 500's - Board Review The board will continue to read through the 500 section of the Policy manual and will report back on February 6th with any changes.

8.3 Sequestration – March 2013 Superintendent Stein and Clerk Balls presented that if the Federal Sequestration cuts are enacted on March 1st, the cut to the District's Federal Programs would be 5.9% or \$21,201.

8.4 Personal Property Tax Superintendent Stein gave a report on the current state of the Personal Property Tax legislation.

8.5 Levy Amount for March 12th Election Superintendent Stein and Clerk Balls gave a list of increased costs that the District will receive. Principals Hansen, Owen, and Daniels each said how they are still using 4 – 5 year old text books in an effort to save money. The board will consider these items and be ready to decide on a Levy amount at the next board meeting.

9. Superintendent & Chairman Report: Superintendent Stein mentioned that the items that she was planning to discuss was already brought up in the Agenda.

10. Executive Session – None

11. Adjournment. With no other business to come before the Board of Trustees, Chairman Erickson declared the meeting adjourned at 8:26pm.