

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education of Murray County Central ISD#2169 was held, pursuant to notice, on Monday, August 8, 2016, in the high school library. Members present: Tom Mesner, Sue Streff, Tony Clarke, Cindy Meling and Jeremy Steinle. Members not present: Dan Woldt. Administration: Joe Meyer, Jacob Scandrett and Todd Burlingame. Others: Dan Blankenship, Rebecca Hudson, Kari Fransen, Jane Qualey. Vice Chair Mesner called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM, opening with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Tony Clarke made a motion, seconded by Cindy Meling, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Jeremy Steinle made a motion to act on the consent agenda items. Approve July 11, 2016 minutes. Approve payment of claims in the amount of \$303,055.12. Receive Trial Balance and Cash flow reports for FY17. Approve request for lane change for Suzanne Bau, approve Cheer Advisor contract for Jessamy Schaap, approve lane change for Patrick Freeman, and approve reading/math corps / intervention coach work agreement for Kelly Muldoon. Approve 16-17 Coaching contracts for Lucas Freeman and Adam Neubarth as Assistant Football Coaches and Misse Swanson as Assistant Volleyball Coach. Recognized Tom Whitehead and Craig Gertsema as 16-17 volunteer Football Coaching Staff. Sue Streff seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Scandrett's report:

- We are preparing for fall workshops and the return of our teachers. Workshop week is August 29<sup>th</sup> -September 1<sup>st</sup>. Welcome back letter and schedule went out last week. We are planning an all staff picnic for August 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm at Bi-Centennial Park.
- Registration is coming up August 9<sup>th</sup> (4-7 pm) and 10<sup>th</sup> (11-1 pm).
- Fall Sports Eligibility Meeting- August 8<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm (tonight)
- Color Guard started meeting last week, cheerleading practices/tryouts will be starting this week, and other fall sports will start the week of the 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 7<sup>th</sup> grade orientation coming up August 31<sup>st</sup> at 7:00pm in the auditorium- more information will be going out to families after registration.
- I attended the College Now review workshop on August 2<sup>nd</sup> at SMSU.
  - The College Now program is a program through SMSU that allows students to earn college credit while taking classes at their own HS- taught by their own teachers.
  - This year we are offering College Writing, Literature, Speech, Algebra, Art, Spanish, and Sociology
  - Future changes: The HLC (Higher Learning Commission) has implemented new requirements on college concurrent enrollment programs nation-wide. At present by September 1<sup>st</sup> 2017, all College Now teachers will need to have a Masters in their discipline area or have a Masters in another area and 18 graduate credit in their discipline area in order to be certified to teach these classes. MNSCU is asking for a 5 year extension on this deadline and is putting together an application for the extension now. This would mean that all of our College Now teachers would need to be credentialed within 5 years. Program coordinators at SMSU are confident this will go through; however, SMSU is saying no new teachers will be allowed to teach college classes through the College Now Concurrent Enrollment program after September 1, 2017 unless they have a Master's Degree in their content area or a Masters in another area with 18 graduate credits in their content area.
  - Ramifications: If teachers are not credentialed then our students will have to seek alternative options to earn college credit- AP or PSEO routes.
  - Recommendations: We may have to look at adding incentives for teachers to get credentialed. All MN schools are in the same situation and several districts have agreed to pay additional dollars to certify their teachers.
- Data Mine workshop- will be August 18<sup>th</sup> in Westbrook to look at our student data and performance on the MCAs.
- School District Fair Booth August 17-20<sup>th</sup> let me know and I can sign up any board members who would like to sit for one of the time slots.

Mr. Burlingame's report:

- Projected Enrollment for 16-17 as of today: K 55, 1st 55, 2nd 52, 3rd 64, 4th 56, 5th 58, 6th 59=Total 399 Added 9 new students this summer
- Registration tomorrow 4:00-7:00 and Wednesday 11:00 to 1:00.
- Safe Routes to School Grant: We got one. Kick off meeting scheduled for Thursday.
- ESY summer school going well

- We have 4 teachers at West doing the flexible seating this year.
- West Elementary building will be done tomorrow. Looks great. Finishing up a couple rooms at Central.

Mr. Meyer's report:

- Baseball Dugout project update. The holes have been dug and the footings are poured. The formed walls are being completed at Schuur Concrete and will be moved in and placed sometime in the next couple of weeks.
- We met with Bennett Office on July 13<sup>th</sup> to go over our past year usage and issues. They will be delivering a different copier for Central and a new color printer for Central that we had issues with last year. Our 5 year contract is up at the end of this year and we will be going out for bids after the first of the year.
- Installation of the new floor tile in room 121, 125, 231A and 231B will start tomorrow. We will also be painting the custodial room cement floor in the basement with an epoxy finish. Should all be finished in 2 weeks. We will also be replacing the front entry carpet and east entry carpet with carpet squares.
- Paving of the parking lot by our van/car garage is complete. The city will be coordinating with us on painting in parking lines.
- Boy's Locker room update. Electrical is almost finished. Tiling and grout work is almost finished. Installation of the fixtures started today and should finish this week. Final touch ups and cleaning will happen the week of the 15<sup>th</sup>. We have a finished project walk through scheduled for the 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Phase II Girl's Locker Room. We had a construction meeting on August 3<sup>rd</sup> to discuss that project and measure for the drop ceiling. One item that is probably going to be a change in the original plans is also including a new hot water storage tank. When the insulation was pulled away on this, it is all rusted out and could leak at any time. This will approximately be around \$10,000.
- New Gym Project. Steve Paasch (architect) emailed a contract today and is finishing up on a rough schedule to move forward on that can be presented to the county.
- Negotiations. I met with the EA negotiating team on July 21<sup>st</sup> and received their proposal. The board negotiating committee and I met on July 26 to go over the proposal and came up with a counter proposal. We met jointly on August 1<sup>st</sup> to give the EA our counter proposal. The lead negotiator stopped in today with some questions and clarification but other than that, there has not been a request to meet again.
- We purchased a new enclosed trailer from Dierks Trailer Sales on trade in of our old trailer. The Music Boosters and Athletic Boosters purchased the MCC decals that have been placed on the sides.
- Auditors are scheduled to start on August 18<sup>th</sup>. We may postpone this depending on the possible settlement of the EA contract.
- I attended a new Superintendents meeting put on by the coop on Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Chad Anderson from Tracy will be my mentor for the year.
- Buildings prep for the new year. We are behind a bit. This is due to the locker room construction and new tile being placed in the 4 rooms. Things will be ready.

Second reading of Policy 721 Uniform Grant Guidance regarding Federal Revenue sources and Policy 621 Education of Homeless Children with no action at this time.

Jane Qualey from Minnesota Community Solar provided information on local solar gardens, commitment and potential savings for the District.

Sue Streff made a motion to approve 761 Meal Charge Policy update. Seconded by Tony Clarke. Motion carried unanimously.

Board Retreat rescheduled for 9/12/2016 after the regular board meeting.

Cindy Meling made a motion, seconded by Jeremy Steinle, to adjourn at 6:53 PM. Motion carried.

Deb Bleyenbergh for Cindy Meling, Clerk