

The regular meeting of the Aberdeen School Board was held Monday, January 9, 2012, at the Hub Area Technical School.

President Sharp called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with the following members present: Mr. Mike Miller, Mr. Brad Olson, Dr. Linda Burdette, Mr. Brian Sharp, Mr. Duane Alm and Mr. Bob Nikolas. Mr. Scott Wirth was absent.

Call to Order

Mr. Roger McCafferty, Oral Interp Coach, introduced Central High School students Nick Brandt, Stetson Heirigs and Brody Morten, who were recognized for their superior ratings at the state Oral Interp contest in December. Congratulations!

Oral Interp
Recognition

Mr. Mike Miller informed the board that the school's building trades home will have a sealed bid setup this year opened in January. In previous years, the house had typically been sold at a public auction. The technical school has received interest from other area schools about possibly bringing in their students. Inquiries are expected from other schools which could likely be due to retirement of industrial technology teachers, and schools not filling the position. 2012-13 class offerings have been finalized along with the Channel 7 contract.

Hub Area
Technical School

12-115

It was moved by Alm and seconded by Nikolas to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2011, meeting.
All voted "Aye."

Approval of
Minutes

12-116

It was moved by Burdette and seconded by Olson to approve the consent agenda including the following:

Approval of
Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Financial Statements
- b. Approval of Bills
- c. Approval of Donations
 1. Gregg & Nancy Carlson - \$300
 2. Alex & Annie Falk - \$100
 3. Thomas & Marcia Luzier - \$250
 4. Rob & Liza Ronayne - \$250
- d. Approval of Garbage Bid - The board approved a garbage service bid from Dependable Sanitation in the amount of \$2,850 per month. The contract will be valid from February 27, 2012 through February. 26, 2014. The contract can be extended at the district's discretion by one-year increments after the initial two-year term. The total length of the contract shall not exceed four years.
- e. Approval of Personnel
 1. accept the resignation of Randy Hermansen, New Beginnings School Teacher at end of the 2011-12 school year.

All voted "Aye."

12-117

It was moved by Olson and seconded by Burdette to approve the agenda.
All voted "Aye".

Approval of
Agenda

In salute and thanks to locally-elected school board members, January 9-13, 2012, has been designated South Dakota School Board Recognition Week. Dr. Gary Harms, Superintendent, took this opportunity to build community awareness and understanding about the crucial role an elected board assumes in a representative democracy. Their commitment to service and public education affects the present and future lives of our children and our communities.

School Board
Recognition

Mrs. Sherron Grote, Special Education Director, updated the Board on the 2011 Special Education Enrollment. The percentage of students enrolled in Special Education declined from 16.17% in 2010 to 15.6%.

Special
Education Child
Count

Counselors Lois Walpole and Annie Falk presented an update on counseling within the district. Falk, a counselor at O.M. Tiffany Elementary School, talked about transition activities on the elementary level. She said the biggest transition stages for students are coming into kindergarten and preparing for sixth-grade. Walpole, a counselor at Simmons Middle School, discussed various transition activities that are in place for students entering sixth-grade and preparing for high school.

Counselors
Updater

12-118

It was moved by Olson and seconded by Alm to approve the joint resolution with the City of Aberdeen and Brown County to hold a joint election on June 5, 2012, and share the costs thereof. All voted "Aye".

Joint Election
Resolution

12-119

The second reading of Policy JHA was held. It was moved by Olson and seconded by Burdette to approve the revision of Policy JHA. All voted "Aye".

Approval of
Revision of Policy
JHA

12-120

It was moved by Olson and seconded by Miller to adjourn into executive session at 6:41 PM, pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2, as amended, to prepare for contract negotiations or negotiating with employees or employee representatives and to discuss the expulsion, suspension, discipline, assignment of or the educational program of a student. All voted "Aye".

Adjournment Into
Executive
Session

President Sharp declared the Board out of executive session at 7:56 PM.

Adjournment Out
of Executive
Session

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It was moved by Alm and seconded by Burdette to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 PM.

All voted "Aye."

Adjournment

Brian Sharp _____
President

Tom Janish _____
Finance Director