

Santee Community School
Knox County School District 0505
MINUTES of Board of Education Meeting
Tuesday, December 20, 2016
Santee Community School Library, Santee, NE

The December 20, 2016 regular meeting was called to order at 5:03 PM by Board President Steve Moose.

Roll call of members:

PRESENT were Stacy Johnson, Steve Moose, Donnie Pike Jr., Cindy Whipple, Rosella Whipple.
ABSENT was Sidney Tuttle.

There was a quorum to conduct business.

The meeting notice was posted as per board policy and all board members had prior knowledge of the meeting.

The presiding officer informed everyone in attendance the open meetings law was posted on the south wall.

No public comment was given.

It was moved by R. Whipple and seconded by C. Whipple to approve the consent agenda consisting of the minutes from the November regular meeting, December payables, and December treasurer report.

Roll call vote: Johnson, YES; Moose, YES; Pike, YES; R. Whipple, YES; Tuttle, ABSENT; C. Whipple, YES.

Motion carried 5 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

Ms. Rempp gave the Superintendent report. She explained the updated priority and progress plan. She explained that outside consultants Dr. Troutman and Dr. Kennedy continued to visit monthly, visiting classrooms and working with Principals and teachers. On November 9th a Veterans' Day program was held at the school and on November 28 Cloud Boy Consulting presented to several groups of students, professional development for staff and held evening session for community.. They will be back in the Spring. The Patron Advisory Committee (PAC) met on November 29 at the Casino. The group will serve as the sounding Board for projects associated with Title I, Impact Aid, Title VI, the improvement plan and any other entity needing a committee. Community members were elected as officers and the group will meet two more times before the end of the school year. Interviews were held by DTSU for a truancy/school resource officer for the school. Also, Ms. Rempp reported the dates for Christmas break and the Mead holiday basketball tournament.

Ms. Rempp would also like to recognize Sidney Tuttle for his service to the Board during his term and presented a certificate, pen and tag. The Board members also added that they were thankful for his service.

A discussion was held on 0 grades versus INC grades and the impact it was having with students. Mr. Hoffman congratulated Damon Pojar as the first graduate to complete the requirements of the Academy. Tower transportation was discussed. It was shared that two drivers are needed to transport the three students because of the behaviors that have happened during the transport. In addition, the students will not be allowed to be transported with the Bloomfield and Wausa students as originally planned. The after school program bus transportation was also discussed. Staff are not getting out of the vehicle to help students get out and to their houses safely, especially young students.

The next item on the agenda was a negotiation update from the Board committee to the Board.

It was moved by Pike and seconded by Johnson to move into closed session at 5:41 PM to discuss negotiations.

Roll call vote: C. Whipple, YES; Johnson, YES; Moose, YES; Pike, YES; R. Whipple, YES; Tuttle, ABSENT.

Motion carried, 5 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

It was moved by Johnson and seconded by R. Whipple to come out of closed session at 6:02 PM.

Roll call vote: Johnson, YES; Moose, YES; Pike, YES; R. Whipple, YES; Tuttle, ABSENT; C. Whipple, YES.

Motion carried 5 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

It was moved by Pike and seconded by R. Whipple to move into closed session at 6:03 PM to discuss ongoing litigation with Mr. Carlstrom and Mr. Higgins with Attorney Bressman.

Roll call vote: Pike, YES; R. Whipple, YES; Tuttle, ABSENT; C. Whipple, YES; Johnson, YES; Moose, YES.

Motion carried. 5 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

It was moved by Johnson and seconded by C. Whipple to come out of closed session at 6:16 PM.

Roll call vote: R. Whipple, YES; Tuttle, ABSENT; C. Whipple, YES; Johnson, YES; Moose, YES; Pike, YES.

Motion carried 5 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

Mr. Hoffman gave his report about the progress for early graduation for Brandy Beltrain-Henry. She has good grades, no behaviors and no tardies between classes. The only requirement of the Board she did not meet was her attendance. Mr. Hoffman proposed that she come to winter school and help tutor students in order to make up the days she missed during the semester.

It was moved by Johnson and seconded by R. Whipple to approve early graduation for Brandy Beltrain-Henry.

Roll call vote: Pike, YES; R. Whipple, YES; Tuttle, ABSENT; C. Whipple, YES; Johnson, YES; Moose, YES.

Motion carried. 5 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

The administration would like to change January 4th to a professional development day and have students return on January 5 to hold an Autism training for all staff. It was suggested to add an evening parent session one of the evenings she is town.

It was moved by R. Whipple and seconded by Johnson to approve the calendar change.

Roll call vote: R. Whipple, YES; Tuttle, ABSENT; C. Whipple, YES; Johnson, YES; Moose, YES; Pike, YES.

Motion carried 5 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

Ms. Leader and Ms. Avery presented a draft contract the senior class will be editing and using for a senior class trip in the Spring. At this point they would like to go to Disneyland in Anaheim California but have not raised enough money. The sponsors would like to seek approval to move forward with some kind of trip on behalf of the class.

It was moved by C. Whipple and seconded by R. Whipple to approve a senior trip after graduation with the proposed requirements spelled out in the draft contract.

Roll call vote: Tuttle, ABSENT; C. Whipple, YES; Johnson, YES; Moose, YES; Pike, YES; R. Whipple, YES.

Motion carried 5 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

It was moved by Johnson and seconded by C. Whipple to adjourn the meeting.

Roll call vote; Tuttle, ABSENT; C. Whipple, YES; Johnson, YES; Moose, YES; Pike, YES; R. Whipple, YES.

Motion carried, 5 YES 0 NO 1 ABSENT

President Moose adjourned the meeting at 7:12 PM