

**Treynor Community School District
Board of Directors
Regular Meeting
December 14, 2020**

1. Call to Order & Roll Call
2. Amend and/or Approve Agenda
3. Recognition of Visitors and Open Forum (Public comment is limited to items on any current or upcoming published board agenda)
4. Consent Agenda: Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting(s), Bills, Financial Statements, and Open Enrollment Requests
5. Reports and Communication Items
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 - B. Elementary Principal
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 - D. High School Principal
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10. Adjourn

Minutes

The Board of Directors of the Treynor Community School District met in regular session on Monday, December 14, 2020, 5:00 p.m., in the HS/MS Library, located in Middle School Building, 102 E. Main St., Treynor, IA 51575.

Call to Order & Roll Call

President Vorthmann called the regular meeting to order at 5:02 p.m., and roll was taken. The following board members answered roll call: President Vorthmann, Vice President Stogdill, Mr. Dreyer, and Mr. Winchell. Mr. Christensen arrived at 5:15 p.m.

Amend and/or Approve Agenda

A motion was made by Stogdill, seconded by Dreyer, to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

Recognition of Visitors and Open Forum (Public comment is limited to items on any current or upcoming published board agenda)

Mary Stanley spoke to the Board regarding face masks, the COVID vaccine, and other government overreach issues.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Winchell, seconded by Stogdill, to approve the following:

1) Minutes of the November 9, 2020 regular meeting;

2) Bills in the amounts of:

General Fund \$32,864.42

Capital Projects Fund \$573,031.33

SAVE Fund \$2,890.93

Debt Service Fund \$600.00

Activity Fund \$1,071.47

Nutrition Fund \$22,755.17

4) November 30, 2020 Financial Statements;

5) Open Enrollment Requests.

Motion carried 4-0.

Reports and Communication Items

Curriculum & Instruction: High School Agriculture Students

Caden Hill and Kale Vorthmann, two students who attend the Intro to Agriculture class at Riverside High School, spoke about the class and the additional opportunities provided through FFA (Future Farmers of America).

Mr. Hedger, High School Principal, reported: 1) Jodi Behrendt, THS business teacher, has received a \$3500 RPP (Regional Planning Partnership) grant to purchase a poster printer, computer, and accessories. The RPP grant is a Career & Technical Education grant that was approved based on a multi-year plan by the regional partnership; 2) high school students are being nominated for Student of the Month by their peers based on character traits, such as gratitude, kindness, and optimism.

Mrs. Berens, Middle School Principal, reported: 1) Recent volunteer opportunities for 5-8 students include decorating 54 trees for Primrose Retirement Community, grocery items for 14 family Thanksgiving meals, collecting items for the Micah House as part of Giving Tuesday, and thank you notes for healthcare workers in Council Bluffs.

Ms. Kay, Elementary Principal, reported: 1) Treynor elementary students are utilizing the TS Bank Cardinal Branch in the building. 2) K-5 teachers will pilot two math resources beginning in January before a decision is made on which to purchase. 3) Students have completed FAST testing in math, with interventions provided for those not meeting benchmarks.

Discussion/Information/Review Items

COVID-19 Information and Updates

Superintendent Hopkins provided the latest COVID-19 letter sent to parents and employees. Board members also received the updated (12-04-2020) COVID-19 Quarantine Flowchart from the Iowa Department of Public Health.

Administrative Goals for 2020-2021

Building principals provided their 2020-2021 Iowa Individual Administrator Professional Development Plan for review. Each principal explained: 1) General District Goal, 2) Specific School Goal, 3) Specific Leadership Goals, and 4) Learning Goals. The purpose of the plan is to promote individual and group professional development. The individual plan is based, at a minimum, on the needs of the administrator, the Iowa standards for school administrators, and the student achievement goals of the attendance center and the school district as outlined in the comprehensive school improvement plan.

Labor Management Committee Update

The Labor Management Committee includes two board members, two Treynor Education Association members, and the superintendent plus ad hoc members as needed according to the agenda of any current meeting. Meetings occur quarterly during the school year unless significant issues are identified that require more timely consideration. The committee discusses and provides input of employment terms and conditions found in the employee handbook and master contract. Vice President Stogdill, Board Member Winchell, and Superintendent Hopkins attended the committee meeting on December 9th. One topic of discussion was the current salary schedule.

Construction Update

Kevin Strehle, BCDM architect, provided a written construction update.

Work Complete:

- Elevator installation is substantially complete.
- Tiling in the new restrooms is complete.

Short-term look ahead for future activities:

- Hallway tile is 90% installed and is being grouted.
- Carpet is being installed in the classrooms.
- Countertops for the restrooms are scheduled for installation the week of 12/21.
- Installation of theatre seats is scheduled for week of 12/28, but dependent on scaffold removal.
- Concrete contractor has 2 more sidewalks and paving pours to complete concrete work.
- Some final grading has started on the east side of the building.

Upcoming Milestones for the project:

- Elevator inspection in 2 weeks.
- Finish classroom flooring by 12/25.

The project remains on schedule with the fine arts area scheduled for completion approximately February 2021. The balance of the work is scheduled to be completed approximately May 2021.

School Leader Update

The School Leader Update is a monthly newsletter published by the Iowa Department of Education that includes a variety of timely topics, issues, and deadlines. Board members received a link to the December 2020 newsletter.

Action Items

Early Graduation Requests

A motion was made by Dreyer, seconded by Winchell, to approve the early graduation requests for Sierra Anderson and Bergynn Kinnison. Both students have met Treynor Community School District graduation requirements and will graduate at the end of the semester. Motion carried 5-0.

Special Education Contracts

A motion was made by Stogdill, seconded by Christensen, to approve the tuition out special education contracts for the following school districts: Tri-Center and Lewis Central. Treynor Schools will be billed by these districts for special education services provided to Treynor resident students. Motion carried 5-0.

Cooperative Sharing with Lewis Central (Bowling)

A motion was made by Dreyer, seconded by Christensen, to approve the cooperative sharing application for boys' bowling for the 2020-2021 school year. Treynor high school boys, who are interested, will participate with the Lewis Central bowling team. Motion carried 5-0.

Wrestling Room Equipment

A motion was made by Dreyer, seconded by Stogdill, to approve the purchase of 2 exercise bikes and 2 treadmills at a cost of \$3,550. This purchase will update old equipment currently being used in the wrestling room. The purchase will be made using bond funds as part of the facility renovation. Motion carried 5-0.

Personnel

Resignations

There were no resignations to consider.

Employment

A motion was made by Stogdill, seconded by Winchell, to approve employment for Shane Reed as JH Girls' Basketball coach for this school year. This employment is due to the resignation of Lauren Beck on November 9, 2020. Motion carried 5-0.

Vacancy Update

The following positions are currently listed as open: junior high girls' track, and substitute support staff (custodians, food service, secretaries, and para-educators). Board members gave verbal support for Superintendent Hopkins to begin the search for a part-time custodian to assist in maintaining the HS/MS building with the additional footage in the new addition.

Superintendent's Report

Facilities and Grounds Updates

Superintendent Hopkins provided an updated list of items ongoing, in progress, and completed recently. One elementary classroom received new lighting during the Thanksgiving break. Two additional rooms will receive new lighting during the Christmas break. A frame is being constructed to hold the new wrestling mats in place over the top of the old ones. The new lighting in the athletic hallway will be completed this month, December 2020.

Meetings & Miscellaneous Updates

No upcoming meetings were specified.

Next Meeting(s)

A list of regular board meetings for the 2020-2021 fiscal year can be found on the district web site on the Board of Education link. The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors is Monday, January 11, 2021.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Winchell, seconded by Stogdill, to adjourn the meeting at 6:09 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Approved on January 11, 2020



Board President



Board Secretary