

Treynor Community School District
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
September 10, 2018

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Minutes

The Board of Directors of the Treynor Community School District met in regular session on Monday, September 10, 2018, 6:30 p.m., in the Board Room, located in High School Building, 102 E. Main St., Treynor, IA 51575.

Call to Order & Roll Call

President Graber called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., and roll was taken. The following board members were present: President Graber, Vice President Guttiau-Fox, Sally Myers, Mickey Stogdill, and Brandon Vorthmann.

Amend and/or Approve Agenda

A motion was made by Guttiau-Fox, seconded by Stogdill, to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

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

President Graber welcomed all visitors. No visitors chose to participate in the open forum.

Student Good Conduct Appeal

School Attorney Brett Nitzschke explained the appeal would be heard by the Board of Directors in open session or in closed session at the request of the student and parents. The student was represented by legal counsel, who stated the parties chose to proceed in open session. Mr. Nitzschke explained the superintendent would provide background information, school administration would provide presentations to the Board, followed by presentations from the parents'/student's attorney. He also explained the superintendent is allowed time to respond to the appeal and board members would have the opportunity to ask questions. The board would then deliberate and determine whether to uphold the appeal or deny the appeal.

The administrators presented Board Policy 503.4 Good Conduct Rule, Board Policy 502.8 Smoking-Drinking-Drugs, and photo documentation. Mr. McNeal, High School Principal, referred to these policies while addressing the incident in question. The Superintendent stated she found no documentation allowing her to change the consequences of violation when asked by the parents. Jordan T. Glaser, the student's/parents' attorney, stated facts and circumstances should be considered and the board should consider lessons learned by the student during this incident. When asked, Mr. McNeal said the Good Conduct Policy is followed each time an incident warrants it. The board deliberated with the administrators, student, parents, and student's attorney absent from the board room.

Action on Student Good Conduct Appeal

At 7:00 p.m., with board deliberation complete, the administration, student, parents, and Attorney Glaser returned to the board room. A motion was made by Graber, seconded by Vorthmann, to uphold the administration's decision and deny the Good Conduct appeal. A roll call vote was taken: Stogdill-aye, Gutttau-Fox-aye, Graber-aye, Vorthmann-aye, and Myers-aye. The motion was approved on a unanimous vote.

With the Student Disciplinary Hearing scheduled for 7:30 p.m., the board moved to Item 10, Consent Agenda.

Consent Agenda: Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting, Bills, and Financial Statements

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

- 1) Minutes of the August 13, 2018 regular meeting;
- 2) Bills in the amounts of:

General Fund	\$90,782.90
SAVE Fund	\$37,755.54
PPEL Fund	\$2,680.62
Activity Fund	\$9,802.37
Nutrition Fund	\$12,477.83

- 3) August 31, 2018 Financial Statements.
- Motion carried 5-0.

Annual Appointment of Level I Investigators

A motion was made by Vorthmann, seconded by Stogdill, to approve the following as Level I Investigators for 2018-2019: Gary McNeal, High School Principal; Jenny Berens, Middle School Principal; and Jill Kay, Elementary Principal. Motion carried 5-0.

Open Enrollment Requests

A motion was made by Myers, seconded by Vorthmann, to approve open enrollment out applications from 3 students, an open enrollment in application from 1 student, and an open enrollment in application for 2019-2020. Motion carried 5-0.

Personnel: Review and Approval of New Contracts and Resignations

A motion was made by Vorthmann, seconded by Myers, to approve the following personnel contracts for 2018-2019:

Kelly Carman-JH Boys' Basketball Coach,
Justin Huisman-Assistant HS Girls' Basketball Coach,
Phillip Kennedy-Head HS Wrestling Coach,
Jason McIntosh-Head HS Boys' Soccer Coach,
Julie Showalter-Head Speech Coach,
Marilyn Abbott-Prom Coordinator,
Jeff Koenck-HS Student Council Sponsor,
Chyle Thomas-Mowing and Grounds,
JoEtta Alsman-Paraprofessional,
Jill Brown-Paraprofessional,
Nicole Maguire-Paraprofessional,
Shantelle Vohs-Elementary TLC Mentor Teacher,
Reesa Waymaster-Elementary TLC Mentor Teacher,

and approve the following lane adjustments on the salary schedule for 2018-2019:
Katie Campbell, Kara Huisman, and Michael Stinman. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Myers, seconded by Guttiau-Fox, to approve the contract with Laurie Stogdill as MS TLC Building Leadership Team Member. Motion carried 4-0, with Stogdill abstaining as Laurie Stogdill's spouse.

Facilities and Transportation

Bulk Natural Gas Consortium

Board members discussed exploring the possible move to a different bulk natural gas consortium to recognize greater savings in natural gas purchasing. It was the board's consensus to allow the superintendent to move forward in exploring the move to a new supplier. If it proves advantageous to make the move, a final decision on contract approval will be made by the Board of Directors.

Agreement for Professional Services Pending a Successful Bond Election

BCDM Architects has proposed an Agreement for Professional Services, pending a successful bond election on September 11, 2018. The proposal provides the scope of services and fees, which approved, would serve as the authorization to proceed with the basic scope of services for the project. It was the consensus of the board to allow Interim Superintendent Howell to work with Ahlers and Cooney attorneys to review the agreement and negotiate final terms with the architect, along with Board Member Vorthmann. Following negotiations, the final version of the agreement will be brought to the entire board for approval before proceeding.

Telephones in Classrooms

Discussion was held on the need to install telephones in each classroom for student safety, primarily for emergencies. Telephones in classrooms could also aid teachers in communication with parents and other teachers. With the state requiring an updated emergency plan by all districts in the state this year, installation of phones in each classroom would add to the items completed. IT Director Shelly Bailey received a quote from ThinkSpace IT for 65 VoIP telephones, with or without installation. Following discussion, a motion was made by Guttiau-Fox, seconded by Myers, to approve the quote of \$8,893.95 from ThinkSpace IT for 65 VoIP telephones, PoE switch with ports, and patch cables, including installation. Motion carried 5-0.

Student Disciplinary Hearing 7:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Guttiau-Fox, seconded by Stogdill, to conduct a hearing to consider disciplinary action against a student as provided by Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(e). A roll call vote was taken: Stogdill-Aye, Guttiau-Fox-Aye, Graber-Aye, Vorthmann-Aye, and Myers-Aye. The motion passed on a unanimous vote and the board entered closed session at 7:30 p.m.

President Graber declared the board out of closed session at 9:11 p.m. and asked for a roll call vote: Stogdill-Aye, Guttiau-Fox-Aye, Graber-Aye, Vorthmann-Aye, and Myers-Aye.

Car

Interim Superintendent Howell asked the board to consider the purchase of a car to replace a current one with 240,000 miles that is in need of repair. She thanked Larry Olsen, who searched for a replacement, as well as Director Vorthmann, and Chad Polly, who met to discuss the various options. The recommendation from that meeting is we replace the car with a five-passenger Taurus available at both Keast and McMullen car dealerships.

- 1) Keast - \$20,880, which includes a \$2500 Ford credit rebate if the district finances at least \$10,000 of the purchase price and for at least one month. This vehicle is new with no miles on it.
- 2) McMullen - \$20,800, with 3,000 miles.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Vorthmann, seconded by Stogdill to approve the purchase of a Ford Taurus from Keast at a cost of \$20,880, pending approval by school auditors to finance. Motion carried 5-0.

Baseball Request

Bob Mantell, high school baseball coach, was present to request a concrete addition on the baseball complex. The 60' x 50' x 50' concrete would be poured directly behind the baseball building and would be used to facilitate additional hitting stations. Athletic Booster Club funds would be used to fully fund the project. Bids have been received from three vendors and will be forwarded to the superintendent. Following discussion, a motion was made by Graber, seconded by Myers, to approve the concrete addition on the baseball complex based on the lowest bid, with the school paying the vendor and the Athletic Booster Club reimbursing the school. Motion carried 5-0.

Principals' Reports

Interim Superintendent Howell reviewed the elementary report: Treynor Elementary 2017-2018 FAST data that was recently released by the state indicates the number of students who met the spring benchmark has increased for the past three years:

2015-2016 84.4%

2016-2017 85.8%

2017-2018 87.2%

FAST (Formative Assessment System for Teachers) is a suite of assessment progress monitoring tools designed to help educators screen, monitor progress, and analyze reading skills of students from kindergarten to fifth grade. Each question in the predictive assessment tests is individually tailored to the test taker.

Jenny Berens, Middle School Principal, reported:

- 1) Middle school staff analyzed data from Iowa Assessment testing done in April during professional development time just prior to the first day of school.
- 2) Learning Targets are posted in each middle school classroom.
- 3) Western Iowa Conference schools will work to expand electronic plans for Professional Learning Communities (PLC) this school year. Electronic meetings allow teachers to collaborate with peers in other districts when they otherwise would not have the opportunity.

Gary McNeal, High School Principal, reported:

- 1) High school staff also analyzed data from Iowa Assessment testing during professional development.
- 2) Homecoming is this week and we would like to invite board members to participate in all scheduled activities.

Superintendent's Report

Interim Superintendent Howell reported:

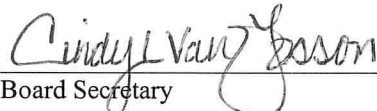
- 1) We will forego discussion on our book study, *Coherence*, at this meeting.
- 2) Thank you to the vendors who contributed funds for Back-to-School: Campbell Insurance, State Farm Insurance, Bearance Management, and American Family Insurance.
- 3) New mats have been installed in the west gym.
- 4) Perpetual banners will be hanging in the west gym for each sport above the mats.
- 5) Reminder of the Iowa Association of School Boards Annual Convention November 14-16, 2018.
- 6) We will set additional tentative meetings for September 24th, October 22nd, and November 26th for possible business of the board.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Stogdill, seconded by Guttau-Fox, to adjourn the meeting at 10:17 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.



Board President



Board Secretary