

St. Rose School District #14-15
Minutes of the January 17, 2012 Board of Education Meeting

President Tebbe called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. in the school's meeting room. Present were: Rich Knebel, Rhonda Fehrmann, Rich Koerkenmeier, and Karl Klostermann. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Patricia Cornell and Teacher Laura Wesselmann.

This month the board salutes Larry and Peggy Thole for donating a desk to the school. Denise Burris was the recipient and she is thrilled to have it!

A motion to approve the agenda of January 17, 2012 was made by Klostermann and seconded by Koerkenmeier. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Knebel made a motion to approve the minutes of the Tax Levy Hearing Meeting of December 19, 2011. Koerkenmeier seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Knebel made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 19, 2011. Koerkenmeier seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Klostermann made a motion to open the minutes of the Executive Session Board Meeting of November 30, 2011. Koerkenmeier seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Superintendent Cornell reviewed the financial report as of December 31, 2011 with the board members. The total cash in the bank for all funds was \$966,537.41. The following items are in the education fund: petty cash - \$100.00, imprest fund - \$4,654.51, and \$360,896.48 on CD's. The total of all funds is \$1,680,826.21. A motion to approve the treasure's report of December 31, 2011 was made by Koerkenmeier and seconded by Klostermann. Voting aye: Tebbe, Knebel, and Fehrmann. Voting no: none. Motion carried.

Klostermann made a motion to approve the journals of December 31, 2011 and Koerkenmeier seconded the motion. Voting aye: Tebbe, Knebel, and Fehrmann. Voting no: none. Motion carried.

Under communications we had several thank you notes for the Wal Mart gift cards from the school staff, office staff, and Father Ed.

Under public comments teacher Laura Wesselmann was welcomed.

Under committee reports it was discussed as to where we want to go from here with our parent group members who met prior to this meeting. Top of the list was a generator.

Next, Dr. Cornell gave the Superintendent's Report. She informed the board of the following items:

- The School Board Dinner sponsored by the ROE and KSED is scheduled for Monday, February 6, 2012. It has since been canceled due to a lack of participants.
- Annually Dr. Cornell has to complete the survey of our district assets/liabilities for Prairie State Insurance Company so that they can determine our rate for the next school year. There are very few changes in our requirements from last year.
- Dr. Cornell provided a draft copy of next year's calendar for Clinton County. There has been much discussion on the pending legislation that will require 5 hours on the first and last day of the school year. We will approve the calendar for 2012-2013 at the March meeting.
- Charlie Korte had a list of projects that was presented in December. Alex Knebel came in for the five days and they scrubbed down the bleachers as well as refinished hall floors. In addition to that, Charlie also put up a dry-erase board in one classroom.
- Dr. Cornell would like to thank Larry and Peggy Thole for thinking of us when Korte Company had some office supplies to dispose of. Denise Burris has the new desk in the office and it is beautiful.
- The SIP day on Friday was dedicated to teachers in Clinton County gathering to discuss curriculum and the implementation of the Common Core Standards for Language Arts. David Braun gave a presentation on the Education Reform Act and the Performance Evaluation Reform Act. These are both hot topics and will impact tenure and evaluations for all teachers.
- Based on the Census in 2010, our poverty rate has gone down by 12.74% leaving us at a rate of 7.36%. While this is good for the overall economy of St. Rose, our grant dollars will decrease. We will still be eligible for the Title I allocations, but should anticipate a decrease.
- The metal coping has been installed on the new roof over the conference room and classrooms. The windows, doors, and lights in the gym area are scheduled for the last week in January and the first week in February.

Under old business the lunch audit is scheduled with ISBE on Tuesday, January 31, 2012. We are prepared and will learn what we need to know to do a better job. The focus is on our cafeteria program along with our free/reduced verification process.

Klostermann made a motion to exit regular session at 8:09 p.m. for an executive session and Koerkenmeier seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

Koerkenmeier made a motion to re-enter regular session at 8:17 p.m. and Fehrmann seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried. Present were Susan Tebbe, Rich Knebel, Rhonda Fehrmann, Rich Koerkenmeier, and Karl Klostermann.

Under new business, Klostermann made a motion to approve Paula Munie for the Fifth Grade Teaching position for the 2012-2013 school year. Knebel seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

Koerkenmeier made a motion to approve Tracy Martin for the Third Grade Teaching position for the 2012-2013 school year. Klostermann seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

Klostermann made a motion to approve the repair and replacement of boiler units with Prost Heating and Cooling at a price not to exceed \$20,360.90. Koerkenmeier seconded the motion. Voting aye: Tebbe, Knebel, and Fehrmann. Voting no: none. Motion carried.

At 8:27 p.m. Klostermann made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Koerkenmeier. All voted aye. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Susan Tebbe
President

Rhonda Fehrmann
Secretary