

SWALLOW SCHOOL DISTRICT
W299 N5614 Highway E
Hartland, Wisconsin 53029

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

August 17, 2015

6:30 p.m.

Present: Rebecca Morrison, Susie Polentini, John Fuhs, John Stahl, Aaron Dentz, Melissa Thompson, Thomas Karthausser, Kyle Moore, and Kim Zabel.

Also in attendance: Nine (9) citizens were in attendance as well as staff members Rachel Crockford, Annie DiPietro, Kimberly Sanchez, Jennifer Lindee, Nancy Hazelberg, Linda Moss, Jeanne Hanson, Michele Whaley, and Emily Luck.

CALL TO ORDER

Rebecca Morrison, President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., read the Notice of the Meeting, and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Susie Polentini motioned to approve the agenda. John Stahl seconded and the motion carried 5-0 on a voice vote.

CELEBRATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS

Ms. Thompson introduced the following new staff members: Kimberly Sanchez – Library/Media/Tech Aide, Nancy Hazelberg – Bookkeeper/Purchasing Assistant, Durelle Chopp – Reading and Professional Development Specialist, Annie DiPietro – 4th Grade, Dacia Hopfensperger – Director of Special Education and Assessment Coordinator, Jennifer Lindee – Kindergarten, Emily Luck – Art, Linda Moss – Spanish, and Kyle O'Rourke.

Ms. Thompson commended the following eighth grade students for achieving high honors in the second semester of the 2015-16 school year: Ethan Hill, Emma Hofman, Elijah Jones, Holly McLoughlin, Stuart McLoughlin, Andrew Nixdorf, Willem Paulson, Patrick Quinn, MacKenzie Rudy, Jacob Schleicher, Kierra Schmitz, and Anthony Sikorski.

Ms. Thompson commended the following eighth grade students for achieving honors in the second semester of the 2015-16 school year: Ryan Adapathya, Vincent Airoidi, Ashley Arneson, Elizabeth Artone, Jacklyn Batley, Samantha Bittman, Kevin Burns, Jonathan Cornell, Rachel Diel, April Fan, Francesca Gastrow, Gabrielle Hower, Madeleine Kredell, Nicole Larson, Emily Lauterbach, Lauren McDonald, Sophia McLees, Fiona Morris, Caroline Nelson, Kyle O'Connor, Emma Quinn, Matthew Raab, Andrew Schubert, Karlea Schuelke, Matthew Smith, Ella Tschurwald, James Van Gilder, Isabelle Vetta, Lauren With, Emily Wood, and Matthew Young.

Ms. Thompson commended the following seventh grade students for achieving high honors in the second semester of the 2015-16 school year: Anne Bartosz, Julia Beth, Emily Dorau, Alayna Ennis, Courtney Froemming, Tyler Gallun, Stephanie Holtz, Abbey Julius, Lily MacLean, Lauren Martin, Kavya Mohanram, Tatum Neville, Olivia Panos, Anthony Polentini, Michaela

Prevallet, Ziara Scaringi, Alayna Schneider, Margaret Siepmann, Malia Westlake, and Megan Yi.

Ms. Thompson commended the following seventh grade students for achieving honors in the second semester of the 2015-16 school year: Jesse Adams, Adam Allen, Noelle Bax, Frederick Boelter, Coleton Borkowicz, Nolan Burkard, George Case, Eddie Cooper, Everett Fawley, Josie Fox, Kendall Fullerton, Abigail Griepentrog, Zoe Hanson, Avril Herrada, Allison Hofkamp, Abby Ignatowski, Elizabeth Kaiser, Meredith Maginot, Lucille McSorley, Allison Parish, Alyssa Proell, Lauren Quast, Connor Renner, Graham Stigler, Lauren Thiel, Madeline Walsh, Jacquelyn Weatherbee, and Kate Winston.

CITIZENS' FORUM

No comments were made.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Superintendent's Report

Ms. Thompson presented the following information:

Teaching and Learning

Spanish Department Curriculum & Programmatic Review Update – Ms. Whaley, Ms. Hanson, Ms. Moss, and Ms. Crockford presented a review of the professional development and curriculum work developed throughout the summer for the Spanish program.

Student Enrollment Update – Ms. Thompson presented the latest enrollment data for the upcoming school year.

Staffing Update – Ms. Thompson discussed the recent staffing hires as introduced earlier in the meeting.

Finance and Operations

Engineering Programming and Discovery Spaces Project Update – Mr. Smith and Mr. Evans completed their summer STEM Training. Ms. Thompson reviewed this training as well as the progress in the discovery spaces. The board toured and discussed the space.

Secure Front Entry Project Update – Ms. Thompson reviewed the secure entry project. The board toured and discussed the space.

Policy

New Additional Annual Notices Required by Law Pertaining to Swallow – Ms. Thompson reviewed the Student Academic Standards, School Accountability Report, Educational Options, Special Needs Scholarship Program, and Participation of Home-Schooled Students in Interscholastic Athletics and Extra-curriculars Notice Requirements which are new as a result of the biennial budget.

Principal's Report

Mr. Moore presented the following information:

Preview of start of 2015-16 School Year – Mr. Moore discussed plans and exciting things to come for the start of the upcoming school year.

Professional Development – Beginning of the Year – Mr. Moore reviewed the upcoming professional staff development days in August.

Washington, D.C. 8th Grade Trip – Lake Country Travel will coordinate the trip again in May 2016. Later in the fall Mr. Moore will ask to board to approve the agreement with Lake Country Travel and an informational meeting is scheduled for early September for 8th grade families.

ACTION ITEMS

The Board reviewed and took action on the following items:

Approval of Minutes

Susie Polentini motioned to approve the following minutes: July 21, 2015 – Regular Meeting, July 21, 2015 – Executive Session, July 27, 2015 – Negotiations, July 27, 2015 – Negotiations Executive Session, and August 6, 2015 – Special Meeting. Aaron Dentz seconded and the motion carried 5-0 on a voice vote.

Finance and Operations

Monthly Accounts – John Stahl moved to approve receipts in the amount of \$31,247 and expenditures as presented in the amount of \$175,618 during the month of August 2015. John Fuhs seconded and the motion carried 5-0 on a voice vote.

Policy

Approval of Notification to Parents/Guardians of the Student Enrolled in the District of the Academic Standards to be Used for the Upcoming School Year – John Fuhs moved to approve the notification to parents/guardians of the student enrolled in the district of the academic standards to be used for the upcoming school year. John Stahl seconded and the motion carried 5-0 on a voice vote.

Teaching and Learning

Approval of Alternative Application for Open Enrollment – John Stahl moved to approve an alternate open enrollment application for a 2nd grade student. John Fuhs seconded and the motion carried 5-0 on a voice vote.

Approval of 8th Grade Washington, D.C. Trip in May 2016 – Susie Polentini moved to approve the 8th grade Washington, D.C. Trip in May 2016. John Fuhs seconded and the motion carried 5-0 on a voice vote.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

The board discussed the upcoming budget hearing and annual meeting to be held on Wednesday, August 26, 2015.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Board reviewed and discussed upcoming events.

CLOSED SESSION

At 8:20 p.m. the Board of Education convened into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1)(c) "considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility." This session is being held specifically to discuss staff management planning and individual teacher performance. (Roll Call Vote Required) Dentz – YES, Stahl – Yes, Morrison – YES, Fuhs – YES, and Polentini – YES

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

At 9:26 p.m. the Board of Education reconvened into open session. Dentz – YES, Stahl – Yes, Morrison – YES, and Polentini – YES

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:27 p.m., Susie Polentini made the motion to adjourn which was seconded by Aaron Dentz and carried 5-0 on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Thompson
Superintendent

Approved: _____

_____, President

_____, Clerk