

Stanford School District 12
Official Minutes for the Regular School Board Meeting
Monday, March 18, 2024
5:00 PM Superintendent Interview, Pax Haslem -- 6:00 PM CBA Negotiations
6:30PM Bond Update -- 7:00PM Regular Board Meeting
Stanford School Library

Attending: Chairman Kurt Myllymaki, Vice Chairperson Billi Taylor; Trustees – Sherry Berg, Karnes Neill, and Cyndie Sherer; Superintendent Craig Crawford; School Clerk Jennifer Mitchell; and Athletic Director Vance VonBergen

Absent:None

Public in Attendance: Nancy Metcalfe, Meredith Phillipe, Kathy Ward, PJ Myllymaki, Sadie Bingham, Braeden Tempel, Kristi Mauws, Lander Ridgeway, Don & Deb Hajenga; via Zoom: Tony Copley (McKinstry), Halvor Kamrud (McKinstry), Thomas Paul (McKinstry), Kim Rethans, Janet Ridgeway, Shelby Fiedler, Levi Cook & Matt Neumann

1. Call to Order-Meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance-Chairman Myllymaki opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance
 - b. Establish Quorum

Pax Haslam, superintendent candidate, was interviewed. He presented his qualifications and experience to the Board. Pax is the current Principal at the Havre 4th/5th grade school.

Board members and CBA members (Nancy Metcalfe & Meredith Phillipe) discussed negotiations, which are ongoing.

Toney Copley, Halvor Kamrud and Thomas Paul were present via Zoom to give an update on bond.

-Weekly update was discussed.

-June 17, 2024 anticipated date to break ground on teacher housing. This will allow baseball to take place on existing fields this year.

-Re-design of athletics addition comes at a cost of \$40,010, which is already accounted for in the design costs.

*Motion was made to accept the Design-Build Change Order Form, motion seconded.

Berg/Sherer

Motion carries

5/0

-Metering of utilities for teacher housing was discussed and pros/cons either way; per unit or per duplex

-McKinstry associates will be on site on March 26, 2024 for ongoing assessment

2. Public Comment

- a. Lander Ridgeway voiced his concerns regarding the DGSG Co-op's non-hiring of the HS Football coach

3. Review, Revise, and Approve the Agenda-Motion was made to approve as is, motion seconded.

Myllymaki/Taylor

Motion carries

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4. Consent Agenda- Motion was made to approve as is, motion seconded. Includes March claims, March payroll, February 19, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, Cash Report & Budget vs. Actual reports for February. Claims 20727-20762; Payroll 47285-47304, ACH 86008-86062

Sherer/Taylor

Motion carries

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5. Reports

a. Clerk report

- i. TRS audit resulted in \$9,269.92 due for 2023-2024 school year. Buybacks for previous years are unknown at this time.
- ii. Brief synopsis of 2022-2023 school audit
- iii. March 2024 payroll & claims processed
- iv. Donnie at MASBO coming beginning of April to help with Misc Fund 15 cleanup amongst other new clerk help
- v. Attending MASBO new SBO training beginning of April (2, ½ days)
- vi. Attending MASBO spring meeting March 20, 2024
- vii. Will attend MASBO summer conference in June 2024
- viii. Need to amend 2 routes to account for loss of white shuttle bus on route

b. Athletic Director report

- i. Brief synopsis on past sports seasons and upcoming seasons
- ii. Attended 8C meeting
- iii. Current going on's and updates with MHSA
- iv. See attached Athletic Director's report

c. Superintendent report

- i. 12:00 dismissal on April 5, 2024
- ii. Possible HS math opening
- iii. April 18, 2024 Beyond the Bell & PreK licensing
- iv. Grant updates
- v. Electric bus update
- vi. Levi Cook (future ELA teacher) will be in house on March 29, 2024
- vii. School audit update
- viii. 8 kids (JH & HS) attending National BPA, cost to be \$1,689/child

6. New Business

a. Central Montana Learning Resource Center Cooperative Interlocal Agreement

- i. Motion was made to renew Central Montana Learning Resource Center Cooperative Interlocal Agreement, motion seconded.

Myllymaki/Taylor

Motion carries

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b. Golden Triangle Curriculum Cooperative Agreement

- i. Motion was made to renew Golden Triangle Curriculum Cooperative Agreement, motion seconded.

Taylor/Berg

Motion carries

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c. Non-Voted Levies

- i. Transportation & Bus Depreciation figures were updated from last year to account for 1 new bus route & the purchase of 2 new Ebusses.

- ii. Motion was made to accept Notice of Intent to Increase Non Voted Levies spreadsheet, which will be posted in the Judith Basin Press on/before March 31, 2024, motion seconded.

Berg/Sherer

Motion carries

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d. Personnel Actions

i. Resignations

1. Craig Crawford- Superintendent- 6/30/2024- Retirement

- a. Motion was made to accept the resignation of Superintendent Craig Crawford, motion seconded.

Myllymaki/Taylor

Motion carries

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ii. Hiring-

1. Levi Cook- ELA- 2024-2025

- a. Motion was made to hire Levi Cook as the ELA teacher for the 2024-2025 school year, motion seconded.

Taylor/Sherer

Motion carries

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7. Future Agenda Items

- a. Superintendent search
- b. Teacher housing utilities
- c. Contract renewals
- d. Calendar
- e. Approve amended bus routes
- f. Student Handbook
- g. School board member committees

8. Adjournment-Motion was made to adjourn the meeting, motion seconded.

Myllymaki/Taylor

Motion carries

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Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm


Respectfully Submitted



Jennifer Mitchell, School Clerk



Kurt Myllymaki, Board Chairman



Date