

Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, February 12, 2024 7:30 PM Central
Posting Locations:

Fillmore Central High School
1410 L Street
Geneva, NE 68361-1599

- Nebraska Signal

Posted Date: February 7, 2024

Chad Engle: Present
Shaun Farmer: Present
Christin Lovegrove: Present
Whitney Peppard: Present
Scott Schelkopf: Present
Adam Wallin: Present
Present: 6.

1. Call to Order

President Engle called to order at 7:30 PM

2. Recognize Open Meetings Laws and location of the poster

3. Roll Call

4. Declaration of Legal Meeting/Excuse Absences

4.1. Declaration of Legal Meeting

Recommendation that this regular meeting of February 12, 2024 be declared a legal meeting passed with a motion by Shaun Farmer and a second by Whitney Peppard.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

4.2. Excuse Absences

5. Public Comment

6. Reports from Administration

FCMS/AD - Mr. Theobald reported on state qualifiers for wrestling, discussion on the downtown gym and issues with backboards/hoops pulling away and causing problems. 56% of our students are on at least one of the honor rolls for first semester.

FCMS – Mrs. Lamb reported middle school boys basketball is wrapping up, concluding Saturday for the "A" team in a tournament; review of Students of the month, and wellness day.

FCES – Mr. Veleba reported on a review of kindergarten registration and Valentines for Veterans.

Superintendent – Mr. Cumpston reminder on elections, update on city purchase/lots; review of

cyber awareness for parents/kids; review of school improvement presentation and visit that will happen march 12 and 13; on Our Town Geneva commercial.

7. Action Items

7.1. Consent Agenda

Recommendation that the Board approve the Consent Agenda as presented passed with a motion by Whitney Peppard and a second by Shaun Farmer.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.1.1. Approval of the Minutes of the following board meetings: January 9, 2024, January 15, 2024

7.1.2. Receive, review and accept Finance reports

7.1.3. Review and approve the General Fund Claims

7.1.4. Review and approve the Building Fund Claims

7.2. Review, discuss and take any necessary action regarding the land East of the football field
No discussion. Nothing back from city.

7.3. Review, Discuss, and take any necessary actions regarding negotiations with the teachers
Have agreed (in principal) to base salary \$40,000 with a deductible of \$1050, there are some minor adjustments left on the extra duty schedule still being negotiated.

7.4. Review and Accept Early Retirement Applications (if any received)

None received

7.5. Review, discuss, and take any necessary action on the Master Planning Process

A special meeting will be held on February 21, 2024 at 7:00 pm with the Board of Education.

7.6. Review, discuss, and take any necessary action on Classified Salary Increases for the 2024-25 school year

No action was taken. Nothing to present.

7.7. Discuss, consider, and take any necessary action to revise the classified employee pay scale or to deviate from it when necessary

Recommendation that the Board authorize the Superintendent to deviate from the Board approved classified pay scale when it is necessary to retain qualified individuals for the classified position of Bookkeeper passed with a motion by Shaun Farmer and a second by Whitney Peppard.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.8. Accept Certificated Staff Resignation(s)

Recommendation that the Board accept Certificated Staff Resignation from Elizabeth Schaldecker (3rd Grade) passed with a motion by Christin Lovegrove and a second by Whitney Peppard.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

8. Discussion Items

8.1. Review the no cell phone policy at Grand Island Public Schools

There are three different levels of the no cell phone policy: Level 1 - Yondr Pouch (devices go into a bag, locked at the beginning of the day, unlocked at the end). Level 2 - expectation that no cell phones are used, but can be by teacher discretion. Level 3 – Students able to use their phones when they want.

8.2. ESSER Spending

ESSER 1 and 2 have come and gone. We are currently on ESSER 3. ESSER 1 we spent and got reimbursed \$89,418. ESSER 2 we spent and reimbursed \$355,710. ESSERS 3 we have reimbursed \$212,067 out of \$800,241.

8.3. 2024-25 District Calendar

8.4. Board Standing Committees

Finance - Engle, Farmer, Lovegrove

Policy - Engle, Wallin, Lovegrove

Americanism - Schelkopf, Wallin, Peppard

8.5. SNC membership request

EMF formally applied to join SNC. Earliest they would be able to join would be likely 2025-2026 school year. AD's are likely not in favor due to scheduling conflicts with 13 schools instead of 12.

8.6. Master Planning

8.7. Classified Staff Benefits

Affordable insurance requirements are being worked through. Request for classified staff regarding snow days.

8.8. Staff Negotiations

8.9. Next Meeting: Special Meeting February 21, 2024 at 7:00pm

Regular Meeting March 11, 2024 at 7:30pm

9. Adjourn meeting

Recommendation that the Board adjourn this regular meeting of February 12, 2024 at 8:45 pm passed with a motion by Shaun Farmer and a second by Whitney Peppard.

Chad Engle: Yea, Shaun Farmer: Yea, Christin Lovegrove: Yea, Whitney Peppard: Yea, Scott Schelkopf: Yea, Adam Wallin: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0