

MINUTES
SCHOOL BOARD
SURING PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Meeting - Suring School Library
Wednesday, September 11, 2013
6:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Suring School Board was called to order by Board President Trepanier.

Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members present: Lundgren, Piepkorn, School, Sleeter, Strehlow, Trepanier, Ustianowski.

Administration present: Mr. Ray, Mr. Huisman.

Visitors present: Laura Fisher, Donna-Mae Schelk, Brook Wendorf, Tonia Kruschke, Greg Jaeger, Evon Moede, Lauren Koenig, Debra Miles.

Motion by Piepkorn, seconded by Lundgren to approve the agenda. Carried 7-0.

Motion by Sleeter, seconded by Ustianowski to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 14, 2013 and minutes of August 19, 2013 special meeting. Carried 7-0.

COMMUNICATIONS - Robert Ray sent an email to all board members in regards to joining the Sunshine Club.

PUBLIC INPUT – There was no public input at this time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - The Lamer's transportation contract extension was discussed at the property & transportation committee meeting held on August 14, 2013.

Discussed at the finance committee meeting of August 14, 2013 were the support staff and teacher collective bargaining agreements.

Motion by Piepkorn, seconded by Strehlow to approve the August Financial Report as stated. Carried 7-0.
Financial Report as follows:

	Balance on hand August 1, 2013	\$1,637,783.94
	Receipts for August, 2013	<u>1,412,792.66</u>
		\$3,050,576.60
August Disbursements		
Net Payroll	\$ 49,407.41	
Accounts Payable	<u>298,559.29</u>	
	(\$347,966.70)	
	Total Disbursements for August, 2013	<u>\$ 347,966.70</u>
	Balance on hand August 31, 2013	\$2,702,609.90

Motion by Sleeter, seconded by Lundgren to approve and pay bills - check numbers 84481 through 84589. Carried 7-0.

Mr. Huisman introduced members of the new teaching staff including Lauren Koenig-2nd grade; Debra Miles-3rd grade; Brook Wendorf-special education. Mitch Szwet-4/5 grade was not at the meeting, however, he has been part of our teaching staff previously as a special education teacher.

Tonia Kruschke updated the board on the progress of improving the district report card. Superintendent Robert Ray shared that the teaching staff has really taken charge of the data room, which has helped in student learning.

There was nothing for the personnel report at this time.

Laura Fisher presented the technology report. There is an improvement in computer performance as a result of redoing the data cabling. Due to the larger high school class sizes, thin clients were purchased to accommodate an increase of students in the computer labs.

Greg Jaeger presented the building and grounds report. The storm damage at the athletic field has been repaired. Once again there was floor seepage and drain back-up issues after another heavy rain storm. Greg is working with the Village of Suring, County Line Plumbing and ABT as to possible suggestions as to why this is happening and how to fix it. The new maintenance request system is up and running. In the future, he will share reports and actual running of the program. Bids will be requested for a computer room air conditioner and be brought to the board at the October meeting.

Evon Moede presented the food service report. She stated that the food service costs have risen over the past two years due to the implementation of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act. All schools that participate in this program must adhere to the continuing changes and absorb the costs. She felt that lunch counts are down "because students just don't want to eat healthy". With the start of the 2013-2014 school year, the breakfast and lunch counts are fluctuating daily. Effective July 1, 2014, the HHFKA is requiring changes in school à la carte sales, vending, school stores and fundraisers. She stated that the USDA is accepting comments of this proposed rule with a deadline of October 28, 2013.

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/governance/legislation/allfoods.htm>.

Cheryl Ustianowski requested that a daily lunch count be brought back to the board at the October meeting. Evon will contact technology services to have the cafeteria menu updated on the website to include the sandwich of the week offering.

Mr. Ray shared the unofficial 2013-2014 student count. At this time there are 277 students in early childhood – 8th grade and 128 students in 9-12 grades. The official count will be taken on September 20, 2013.

Motion by School, seconded by Lundgren to approve the student transportation contract for the 2013-14 school year as presented. Carried 7-0.

Motion by Sleeter, seconded by Piepkorn to approve the Lamer's contract extension as presented. Carried 7-0.

Mr. Ray stated that a wellness committee is being organized. He is requesting that the committee consist of teaching staff, administration, support staff and school board members. Mr. School and Mrs. Trepanier showed interest in representing the board on this committee.

Mr. Ray shared the rosters for football and volleyball.

Mr. Sleeter asked how the school's supplemental insurance works in school injuries.

Mr. Huisman gave the principal's report. The back-to-school night had a lot participation from students, teachers, parents and community members. Mr. Huisman was very pleased with the turnout. The first day of school started with an assembly where he introduced himself. MAPS testing is scheduled to start September 23, 2013. An update on current school fundraisers included the football 'Eagle Card' sale and the 5th grade sucker sale to raise money to attend Camp-U-Nah-Li-Ya.

Mr. Huisman is monitoring the high school students' behavior during open campus. An offering of an NWTC math course (which meets NWTC program requirements) is being offered to high school students. He acknowledged the custodial/maintenance staff for their ability to work with the staff's need and for the continued great presentation of our school building. All of the faculty should be acknowledged for their hard work in contributing to the successful start of the school year.

There was nothing new to report at this time for the CESA 8 report.

If any board members are interested in attending the Fall Regional Meeting on October 1, they need to let Mr. Ray know.

The date for a special board meeting is set for October 30, 2013 at 5pm. Following the meeting at 6pm, there is a CESA board in-service at the Holiday Inn at Kelly Lake.

Board members Sleeter, Strehlow, Ustianowski, Piepkorn and Lundgren showed interest in attending the WASB convention. Mr. Ray would also like to attend this year. Mrs. Trepanier requested information of the cost to the district of the members attending the convention for the previous year.

Mr. Sleeter requested that all pertinent information for board members be accessible to the members via a CD or a password protected access point.

The 2013-2014 district goals will be presented at the October meeting for approval.

Mr. Ray doesn't have any additional information on a possible baseball co-op at this time.

Mrs. Ustianowski will update Mr. Ray if the AAA texting simulator will be available for parent/teacher conferences.

PUBLIC INPUT - There was no public input at this time.

Motion by Lundgren, seconded by Ustianowski to convene in Closed Session if approved by roll call vote of the Board. Roll Call Vote: Lundgren-yes, Piepkorn-yes, School-yes, Sleeter-yes, Strehlow-yes, Trepanier-yes, Ustianowski-yes. Carried 7-0.

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Lundgren, seconded by Piepkorn to adjourn the Open Meeting. Carried 7-0.

Cheryl Ustianowski, Clerk

Time: 8:06 P.M.