

LITCHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
November 20, 2017

President Mitch Feldman called the regular meeting to order at 7:29 p.m.

Members Present: Bill Howard, Marie Sweley, Mitch Feldman, Todd Wardyn, and (Jim Holm and Steve Heapy were absent).

Visitors: Susan Poland, Judy Kucera, Barb Kratzer, and Carissa Pierce.

President Mitch Feldman announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Law is posted on the wall of the meeting room, and also indicated the instructions for those who wish to speak during the public forum.

The minutes of the last meeting were read. Bill Howard made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Second by Marie Sweley. Motion carried 4-0.

Wade Finley reported a balance of \$1,055,097.14 in the district treasury. Payroll and claims in the amount of \$240,056.75 were presented for payment. Todd Wardyn made a motion to pay the claims. Second by Bill Howard. Motion carried 4-0.

Matt Drew reported on the Implementation of Standard Response Protocol (SRP), MNAC Vocal Clinic ran by Mr. Hiebner, Veteran's Day Program, School Improvement Committee 11-7-17, One-Act, Winter Sports Participation, STEM Lab from Custer Public Power, UNL Math Day 11-15/16-17.

Wade Finley reported on Pre-K Numbers, Budget Adjustments, District Audit, COOP Issues, long-range planning, State Education Conference, and Superintendent and Board Evaluations.

Carissa Pierce reported on the projected numbers of the Pre-K in the upcoming years and possible issues that the district may face.

Todd Wardyn made a motion to approve the corrected figures in the 2017-2018 budget from \$2,203,664.63 to \$2,268,378.97 which is an increase of \$64,714.34 of the "Total Personal and Real Property Tax Requirement for ALL Other." The Levy asking remained the same. Second by Bill Howard. Motion Carried 4-0.

All board members received a copy of the district audit.

The Board discussed setting up a COOP meeting in Litchfield either November 27th or December 1st. Who would be able to attend as needing to discuss issues with the COOP.

Long-range planning was discussed in the items of installing locks on doors and have an intercom system to gain entrance into the building, camera, basketball goals for side baskets, and weight room improvements.

Bill, Todd, and Wade shared things from the State Education Conference and Wade included Superintendent and Board Evaluations to be filled out before the next board meeting and given to Mitch.

Todd Wardyn made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss teacher salary negotiations. Second by Bill Howard. Motion carried 4-0.

President Mitch Feldman restate the intent to go into executive session was to discuss teacher salary negotiations. The Board enters executive session at 9:02 p.m.

Todd Wardyn made a motion to exit executive session. Second by Marie Sweley. Motion carried 4-0.

Board Exit executive session at 9:52 p.m.

Marie Sweley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:57 p.m. Second by Todd Wardyn. Motion carried 4-0.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be at 7:30 p.m. on December 18, 2017. The agenda is a continuous agenda and is available for examination during regular hours at the office of the Superintendent. Public notice of the meeting will be given in the Small Town Times newsletter and in the Sherman County Times.

Marie Sweley
Board Secretary