

Quinter Public Schools USD 293
Official Minutes of Regular Board Meeting
April 11, 2016

Call to Order:

President Dave Polifka called the Regular Board of Education meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. In attendance were Aaron Betz, Giovanni Caasi, Shane Mann, Robert Herl, Travis Hargitt, and Tara Thornburg. Also attending were Supt./Princ. Linda Zeigler; Principal Toby Countryman; Clerk Evone Waggoner; Teachers John Crist, Tracie Betz, and Micah Roehl.

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda. Betz/Mann (m/s/c 7-0)

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the Regular Board of Education meeting minutes of March 7, 2016.
Mann/Hargitt (m/s/c 7-0)

Approval of Bills: Motion to approve bill checks #21167 thru 21216 including additional bills. Herl/Caasi (m/s/c 7-0)

AD Report:

Spring sports numbers: JH girls track 10, JH boys track 12, HS girls track 18, HS boys track 10. Invitational track meet there will be 14 JH teams and 20 HS teams attending. Athletic Banquet is on April 19th.

OTA Report:

None

STUCO Report:

None

Site Council Reports:

None

PDC Report:

Presented by Toby Countryman.

NKESC Report:

Presented by Aaron Betz.

Transportation Report:

None

Public Forum:

None

Grade School Building Report:

Mrs. Zeigler and Wanda are working on next year's grade school schedule. Early childhood screening for 0 to 5 year olds had 57 kids go through. Pre-school enrollment for 2016-17 could be up to 40 students. Teachers honored Para-professionals last week during school. Exploring the idea of a Sensory gym that would be an area designated to help students receive more sensory input. Mrs. Zeigler and Tracie Betz will look for a grant and a place to set one up in the building.

Junior-Senior School Building Report:

Senior trip itinerary was presented for approval. Work Keys test result was given to Seniors and certificates are provided so students could provide them to employers to show their aptitude. Trees in the front of the school have been removed. Mr. Nicholson's class is working on landscaping projects. Forensics has won 12 league titles in a row. 19 students qualified for state music contest as part of the choir, and women's ensemble. Katelyn Lee, Alicia Guisinger qualified to do vocal solos, and Brice Hackler qualified to do a trumpet solo. KU Choir came to Quinter and performed for the student body and also took time to work with our choir. Students took third place in the Interhigh Day at McCook Nebraska. Thanks to Nex-Tech employee Ivan Sanders, Nex-Tech will be installing equipment to broadcast live from the district auditorium Tuesday as a community service project so the district cost will only be \$500. Mr. Countryman visited with the BOE about possibly starting a random sampling drug testing program. Sample drug testing policies were reviewed. BOE members recommended Mr. Countryman visit with the STUCO and SADD officers to get feedback from students and report back at the next meeting. Tara Thornburg and Aaron Betz volunteered to hand out diplomas at Quinter High School Graduation.

Action Item:

Motion to approve Senior trip itinerary as presented. Polifka/Caasi (m/s/c 7-0)

All-School Building Report:

State assessments continue. A cable was cut at the testing receiving site due to construction so testing has not been fully functioning since. District is looking for someone to mow for the summer. Advertising for a cook and a HS custodian. Retirement reception for Madeline Musick has been set for May 3rd during the JH/SH woods/art show and spring music program.

Superintendent's Report:

With state new equalization bill Quinter funds would increase in the capital outlay, but decline in the LOB. KPERS payment by the State has been put on hold. Bill to work to eliminate students in courts system will have each school work with local police to develop a memoranda of understanding and staff will need training. Extraordinary Needs funds will operate differently next year. Technology committee met and will get a rotation of equipment started. District will add some equipment for lager 5th grade class, and Chromebooks will be ordered for new freshman class.

Information Report

Board of Education took a 5 minute break at 8:07 PM.

Old Business:

6th grade participation in basketball was reviewed. Motion to terminate 6th grade participation failed. Board recommended to set a head count limit to determine 6th grade participation. 2016-2017 projected JH student count is 38.

Action Item:

Motion to end 6th grade participation in basketball. Mann/Polifka (m/s/c 3-4) Motion failed.

Action Item:

Motion to approve 6th grade participation for basketball if total student count for grades 6 & 7 each spring is 30 or less. Herl/Betz (m/s/c 6-1)

New Business:

Lonnie and Kathy Custer would like to start a scholarship in their daughters name. Katie Blackwill has resigned as HS head volleyball coach and Ashley Coberly has resigned as play director. Winter coach contracts were to be reviewed in executive session. Scott Crist and Josh Albin have expressed interest in being QHS play sponsor.

Action Item:

Motion to approve the Theresa E. Custer Memorial Scholarship Fund as presented. Herl/Thornburg (m/s/c 7-0)

Motion to accept Katie Blackwill's resignation as high school head volleyball coach. Polifka/Herl (m/s/c 7-0)

Motion to accept Ashley Coberly's resignation as play director. Herl/Betz (m/s/c 7-0)

Motion to offer Scott Crist and Josh Albin split head play sponsor contracts for the 2016-2017 school year. Caasi/Mann (m/s/c 7-0)

Executive Sessions:

Motion to enter into executive session with Supt. Linda Zeigler, and Princ. Toby Countryman at 8:40 PM until 8:55 PM for 15 minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Polifka/Thornburg (m/s/c 7-0) The executive session is necessary to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed.

The Board of Education meeting returned to open session at 8:55 PM.

Motion to enter into executive session with Supt. Linda Zeigler, and Princ. Toby Countryman at 9:00 PM until 9:15 PM for 15 minutes to discuss negotiations. Polifka/Hargitt (m/s/c 7-0) The executive session is necessary to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed.

The Board of Education meeting returned to open session at 9:15 PM.

Action Item:

Motion to approve winter coach sponsors as follows: John Crist- HS head boys basketball, Micah Roehl- HS assistant boys basketball, Matt Havlas- HS head girls basketball, Daryl Havlas- HS assistant girls basketball, Brian Roesch- JH head boys basketball, Chris Lee- JH assistant boys basketball, Roger Beesley- JH head girls basketball, and Scott Crist- JH assistant girls basketball. Herl/Hargitt (m/s/c 6-1)

Adjournment:

Dave Polifka adjourned the Board of Education meeting at 9:27 PM.

Approved:

President: 

Date: 5-9-16

Clerk: 

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