

Regular Meeting of the St. Paul Board of Education

7:30 PM

October 14, 2019

Board Room, St. Paul Public School

The St. Paul School Board met in regular session on October 14, 2019 at 7:30 PM. The following board members were in attendance: Shelly Harrahill: Present, Jason Meinecke: Present, Janelle Morgan: Present, Marty Mrkvicka: Present, Dan Scheer: Present, Philip Thede: Present.

President Scheer noted that notice of the meeting was properly published in the Phonograph Herald and/or in 3 public places, per policy.

President Scheer noted that the Open Meetings Law is posted on the wall of the meeting room.

President Scheer read the Americanism quote. "But a Constitution of Government once changed from Freedom, can never be restored. Liberty, once lost, is lost forever." - John Adams

President Scheer asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the previous meeting. None were made, and the minutes were declared approved.

The motion to approve the bills as presented by Superintendent Poppert passed with a motion by Marty Mrkvicka and a second by Philip Thede.

Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to approve the credit card bill as presented passed with a motion by Janelle Morgan and a second by Philip Thede.

Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

paying Rasmussen's boiler for final installation of single boiler. \$13,798.05 passed with a motion by Marty Mrkvicka and a second by Shelly Harrahill.

Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

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Motion to approve building fund bill for to Greenland Construction \$50,723 Greenland Construction \$14,259 passed with a motion by Jason Meinecke and a second by Philip Thede.

Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

The Superintendent presented the Financial Report.

A letter written by Audrey and Brad Thomsen was read aloud regarding the addition of a St. Paul Baseball team by parents supporting the addition of the program. Track coach Shawn Fairbanks spoke on behalf of the track team and discussion numbers and participation, lost academic time, increase in transportation and the record of the successful track team. We are not adding a sport but extending a season for baseball.

More parents in support of the baseball team spoke on the opportunity that the new program would offer for their children and the choices they deserve.

Tara Nettifee from Grand Island Economic Development spoke on Future Builders Challenge program. As part of the Grand Island Economic Development Corporation, a select number of our 9th and 10th grade students will be invited to grow their entrepreneurial skills during a two day educational workshop. Participating students will be identified through Gallup's Builder Profile assessment. Those students will then develop a plan that identifies initiatives and gaps in the local economy/community (with local mentors) and pitch the plan to a committee for prizes.

Executive session for legality 8:22-8:51 passed with a motion by Marty Mrkvicka and a second by Philip Thede.

Harrhill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to implement boys baseball and girls tennis in the 19-20 school year passed with a motion by Marty Mrkvicka and a second by Jason Meinecke.

Harrhill: Nay, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Nay
Yea: 4, Nay: 2

Meinecke 35 kids interested and obstacles are not enough to not implement the program. Marty talked about opportunity for students. Thede drawback was not sure about putting everything we can towards the academic side and putting more into activities as far as finances etc. Approximately \$20,000 for the first year to implement both tennis and baseball. Scheer concern saying that they are concerned about hurting our legion baseball and Morgan has patrons approaching her about it helping legion baseball. Marty asked Kayla Svoboda about being a possible tennis coach and how that program could become successful.

Motion to accept the bid from BVH Architecture for option 1 \$8500 for the three story building study. passed with a motion by Jason Meinecke and a second by Philip Thede.

Harrhill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to purchase the 71 passenger Thomas bus with full AC for approx \$99,456.00 passed with a motion by Marty Mrkvicka and a second by Shelly Harrhill.

Harrhill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to approve bid from Control Logic for \$34,238 to replace pneumatics in the small gym and two systems in the new gym passed with a motion by Philip Thede and a second by Shelly Harrhill.

Harrhill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to use WEX cards for gas and diesel in school vehicles passed with a motion by Jason Meinecke and a second by Janelle Morgan.

Harrhill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

New activity building should be ready for use by November 11. What else do I need to add to this?

Safety report - maintenance has taken care of everything on the list. Board goals were emailed out after admin went over and added to help the educational process. State score were considered great, great and overall was good. Signage for the new activity building was presented to the board.

Negotiations listed

Mr. Poppert will get a few more quotes for signs.

Get dates from John to add to this.

The meeting was adjourned at _____.
Shelly Harrahill
Secretary