

Regular Meeting of the St. Paul Board of Education

7:30 PM

August 12, 2019

Board Room, St. Paul Public School

The St. Paul School Board met in regular session on August 12, 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. "If the freedom of speech is taken away then dumb and silent we may be led, like sheep to the slaughter." - George Washington

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 Jason Meinecke.

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 Philip Thede and a second by Janelle Morgan.

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

The Superintendent presented the Financial Report.

Parents in support of the

Communication from the public policy was read. Parents and student in support of implementing a school sponsored baseball team were present. Information from other schools and opportunities for athletes was presented. Mr. Fairbanks spoke on behalf of our successful track program and suggested that we should have a feasibility study before moving forward with a new program in a school of our size. Parents present would like to see more opportunities for spring sports and a school sponsored baseball team would give legion players an advantage. Speaking to the city about field usage and more information as needed will be supplied by supportive

Our school attorney - equal opportunity for sports. Currently we are 6 and 6 for offered sports and how many girls vs. boys are participating. You can also do a survey for the lesser slot participating then you can offer the sport they are interested in. OCR could be contacted if we have more opportunity for boys vs. girls. To be in line with class B we would need to co-op with four area schools to get to at least 50% of the numbers and that can also cause a lot of issues.

Motion to move 7.9 up on the agenda. passed with a motion by Dan Scheer and a second by Philip Thede.
Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Discussion of the facility we currently have and the land lock we are in with possibility of salvaging the 1920's structure vs. building new. BVH offers structure and facility studies to help plan and make an informed decision on the future of our educational specifications.

Motion to adopt Board Goals from NASB following the school year calendar. passed with a motion by Marty Mrkvicka and a second by Jason Meinecke.

Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Mr. Thede would like to see further development of our HAL program.

Motion to approve policy 4039 with minor title change 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

Motion to approve policy 5044 passed with a motion by Jason Meinecke and a second by Shelly Harrahill.

Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to approve Teacher Handbook as presented passed with a motion by Janelle Morgan and a second by Jason Meinecke.

Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion to approve the Student Handbook as presented passed with a motion by Jason Meinecke and a second by Shelly Harrahill.

Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Discussion on policy changes in the student handbook: new opportunity for students who are ineligible to get help after school on Wednesday and consequences for vaping/tobacco use vs. alcohol in school.

Motion to approving Activity Handbook as presented. passed with a motion by Jason Meinecke and a second by Marty Mrkvicka.

Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Mr. Bowder and the students that attended the Environthon were present and thanked the school board for supporting their trip and competition to North Carolina. Training days followed by displays for what they would be tested on were on the first day. The second day was the group contest that ranged from forestry to aquatics. The third day was a visit to the coast, Fort Macon and the aquarium. The fourth day was prep for presentation of the scenario that was given to the group and the fifth day was the presentation contest.

Motion to approve approve Brian Busse as a volunteer coach for Cross Country and Turner Brouillette for Jr. High Football passed with a motion by Marty Mrkvicka and a second by Jason Meinecke.

Harrahill: Yea, Meinecke: Yea, Morgan: Yea, Mrkvicka: Yea, Scheer: Yea, Thede: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Principal Paider and Hagen reported on great testing scores and waiting on NSCAS results to compare with new data. Science curriculum is here and being set up by teachers and currently teachers are training in L to J to strengthen vocabulary. Mrs. Schulte updated student numbers for the year and staff changes.

Hoping for more progress this week on the MPAC building. Roof project should be wrapped up this week with some interior repair that will be needed when they are done. New chromebooks were ordered for new

students. The Americanism committee will be meeting after Sept. 1st. Homecoming football game may need to be changed to a new date due to low numbers for Sutherland.

Strategic planning will be set in the fall.

Adjourned at 11:06.

The meeting was adjourned at _____.

Shelly Harrahill

Secretary