

Aviston Elementary School District #21
Board of Education Meeting
November 18, 2009 7:00 PM

President Joe Strubhart called the Regular Meeting to order of the Aviston Elementary School District #21 Board of Education on November 18, 2009 at 7:00pm. Members present were:

Tami Kampwerth, Superintendent
Teresa Sudholt, Secretary
Lee Thole, Member
Tricia Weis, Member
Kelly Kampwerth, Member

Guests were: Jason Rakers and Jenny Mondt

1. Public Comment/Good News Report

- a. ISAT Scores - The Board received ISAT score results and were very pleased with the 3% increase overall from the previous. Kudos to all the staff for a successful year of teaching!
- b. H1N1 Clinic - The Clinton County Health department and AGS Staff did a great job with the H1N1 Clinic. Over 300 people were immunized, and the Health Department was happy about our commitment to this program.
- c. Recess Equipment – Mr. Bardill is working on set up of Tether Ball, Hopscotch, and Four Square games to add to recess activities.

2. Minutes of October meeting

A motion by Kelly Kampwerth, second by Lee Thole to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the October 21, 2009 meeting and to approve the minutes as presented.

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

3. Superintendent's report

- a. Technology Survey – Surveys have been completed and results are being accessed.
- b. Professional development for staff—On October 30, all staff attended training on differentiated instruction. KSED paid for the training and it was hosted at Germantown.
- c. Articulation—On January 15, the 2 high schools and all feeder elementary schools will participate in an articulation conference. Teachers from the same grade level (PreK-5) or same subject (6-12) will meet in various locations to discuss common interests, share curriculum and instructional methods, and in general communicate with one another. Aviston will host all of the 6-12 teachers in the area on that afternoon.

- d. Christmas Concerts and plays—December 13 at 2:00 PM for band/choir.
December 14 at 2:00 & 7:00 for PreK-4.
- e. Social work—Kris Grawitch is working on “Be the Change” which is an anti-bullying program for 5th grade. She is also working on “Girl World”, which focuses on female to female bullying/relationship building for 6 & 7th grades. Kris continues to work with students who are experiencing loss in their family in the Tornado group and she sees small groups of students to teach “pro-social” behaviors.
- f. Enrollment Projections – Mrs. Kampwerth distributed an enrollment projection done by Information Management Systems. It showed a consistent increase to the district, but it projected our current facility to be sufficient in size for the near future.

4. Financial report and approval of bills and salaries

A review was done of our current investments with PMA. After reviewing Financial Report and bills, a motion was made by Teresa Sudholt, second by Tricia Weis to approve the bills and salaries and financial report and to pay all bills and salaries for October as presented.

ROLL CALL 4 YEAS 0 NAYS MOTION CARRIED

5. Old Business

- a. Superintendent’s contract goals & evaluation timeline – moved to Closed Session

6. New Business

- a. First reading of Board Policy Manual - additions/changes.
See attachment. No Action taken at this time.

b. Tort Immunity Budget - The district has a tort immunity plan developed in November 2005. The tort immunity plan allows us to have a budget to prevent torts. The budget includes a portion of several employees’ salaries as well as the expense of insuring the district’s property, casualty and workmen’s compensation. The cost of the district’s tort immunity budget is covered by the tax levy; the county treasurer then calculates the tax rate. Motion by Lee Thole, second by Kelly Kampwerth to accept a tort immunity budget in the amount of \$85,294.

ROLL CALL 4 YEAS 0 NAYS MOTION CARRIED

c. 2009 Tax Levy - Linda Mensing at the County Assessor’s Office anticipates over 10% in EAV from 2008 to 2009. A motion by Teresa Sudholt, second by Tricia Weis to set the special tax levy hearing for truth in taxation on December 16, 2009 at 7:00 PM and to make notice of this meeting in the Breese Journal. The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2009 are \$774,984. This represents a 12.23% increase over the previous year. The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for 2009 are \$184,993. This represents a \$5.24% increase over the previous year.

ROLL CALL 4 YEAS 0 NAYS MOTION CARRIED

d. Employment of extracurricular staff - Hiring of Volleyball assistant coach for 7/8th grade team and assistant Scholar Bowl Coach – Moved to Closed Session

e. Purchase of chairs – The PTCC and Band Parents are checking with their executive committees on the possibility of paying for the 200 chairs needed for upcoming Christmas programs.

f. Coaches handbook development

A discussion was held on purchases of team apparel paid for by the parents. Any purchases over \$50 per student should be approved by Athletic Director or Superintendent.

g. Student resource team – We are reactivating our Student Resource Team, CARE team. The purpose of this group is to brainstorm interventions with the regular education classroom to help struggling students. This is a necessary step prior to referring a student for special education services. The team consists of Lisa Niemeyer, Lisa Clark, Susanne Albers, Shelley Kenow, Linda Webb, Amanda Koch, school psychologist Jamie Unger, Marlene Hoeflich, and Stacey Lampe.

h. Preschool for All Evaluation -Mrs. Kampwerth attended a training session about a new Early Childhood Rating Scale (ECRS) that will be used to evaluate our Preschool for All Program. The checklists look at the environment, health and safety, and interactions children experience in a pre-k program.

i. Vendor request - We have a request from a local vendor to make spirit-wear available at games. It was in agreement that the vendor may contact the Booster Club, about this fundraiser for their organization, but they will not be able to sell the merchandise at school activities.

j. FOIA—Freedom of Information Act - Major changes in the Freedom of Information Act in the state are occurring on January 1, 2010. Many documents that would be sealed to the public will be opened beginning in January.

A motion by Kelly Kampwerth, second by Tricia Weis to leave open session and go into Closed Session was made at 8:54 pm.

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Lee Thole, second by Tricia Weis to re-enter Open Session at 9:15 pm.

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

7. Action after Closed Session

5a. Superintendent's goals

A motion was made by Lee Thole, second by Tricia Weis to accept the following three Superintendent Goals for 2009/2010 and to be evaluated in February 2010:

1. Financial Planning – Monitor budget and report status of revenues and expenses versus budget near the end of the quarterly. Report any total variance to the budget of +/- \$40,000 immediately when discovered. Continue to monitor, invest, and capitalize on opportunities the district might find to enhance revenue and control expenses and report to the Board at least once a year. Update 5-Year Plan yearly, preferably at the same time as the status report on the budget mentioned above (i.e. May/June 2010)
2. Strategic Planning Goal – Maintain and promote Aviston Elementary as a high achieving school.
3. Strategic Planning Goal – Devote resources, staff and class time to improve student achievement through the use of technology.

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

6d. Employment of extracurricular Staff

A motion by Teresa Sudholt, second by Tricia Weis to hire Amanda Koch as the assistant volleyball coach for 2009-2010 and Rebecca Elliott as the assistant Scholar Bowl Coach for 2009-2010.

ROLL CALL

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8. Adjournment

A motion was made by Teresa Sudholt, second by Kelly Kampwerth to adjourn the meeting at 9:20.

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Strubhart, President

Teresa Sudholt, Secretary

Closed Session Minutes

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Entered closed session at 8:54.

Discussion of Superintendent's Contract Goals & Evaluation Timeline-discussion about accepting the stated goals and indicators related to the strategic plan and evaluation timeline per superintendent's contract.

Discussion of Employment of extracurricular staff and the applicants' qualifications was discussed.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Strubhart, President

Teresa Sudholt, Secretary