

Regular Board Meeting July 20, 2015

The Board of Education for USD #291 Grinnell Public Schools met on Monday, July 20, 2015. Attending: Board members Alan Suter, Duane Vollbracht, Brian Beckman, Robert Fellhoelter, Julie Dickman and Loren Stephens: Superintendent Mike McDermeit; Clerk Mary Jane Goetz.

Meeting called to order by President, Duane Vollbracht at 7:30 p.m. Agenda approved as presented

Duane read a thank you note from the Grinnell Alumni Association for the use of the facilities for the high school reunion.

Duane Vollbracht reported for NKESC. There was discussion on the service center assessment agreement, paraprofessionals and health insurance

Duane reported on the Gove County Community Foundation grants. A new grant application submitted by the USD 291/GEA was partially approved for greenhouse equipment.

Mr. McDermeit reported on block grant legal issues.

Mr. McDermeit reported on the 2015-16 budget. Capital Outlay will be assessing 4 mills taking out custodial and maintenance expenses. Mr. McDermeit will be taking the budget to Topeka on Monday, July 27 to have it reviewed. A panel blew off from the greenhouse during a storm last week. Adam Dohm fixed it for us. Racette Construction is finished with the shingles and replaced shingles that blew off during the storm. Washington roofing fixed the areas on the gym roof. The gym floor work started today and Warrior has been removed from the floor. Hot Wire Electric has started on the LED lights and is almost finished with the grade school and has started at the middle school. Duane Vollbracht is working on the basketball goals on the grade school playground. Weeds on the track have been sprayed. The tractor was delivered. Frontier Ag has started on the vehicles to be ready for inspection. B's Ultimate Finish will replace the windshield on the van this week. We are looking at curriculum for 7th & 8th grade students to develop an app for the iPad. We are working on a schedule for 8th grade students to have a choice in taking pre-algebra or algebra.

The minutes of the regular meeting held June 15, 2015 and July 1, 2015 were approved.

Approval of July checks in the amounts of General Fund \$25,289.79, Supplemental General \$10,799.71, Capital Outlay 78,013.40, Food Service \$397.66, 4 Yr. Old at Risk \$53.86, K-12 At Risk 379.42, Gifts & Grants \$938.66.

Back to School Party is at Oakley on Thursday, August 13. They will be serving food at 6:00 and swimming 7:00-9:00. Coach, Parent and Student meeting is August 11 at 6:30.

High school football game in Grinnell will be Friday, September 4 at 6:00 with Chase-Raymond. We will plan to have hamburgers at 5:00.

NKESC agreement tabled until the special meeting for July 29, 2015.

The board acknowledged Daryl Bixenman, Ron Bixenman, and Chad Wright families to attend USD 291. Cody Holzmeister family to attend USD 274.

The board approved drop down outlets on utility poles in front of the buildings for Christmas decorations provided by PRIDE.

There was discussion on painting the gym sideline floor. Mr. McDermeit met with a Sherwin Williams representative and the cost would be approximately \$1,000. Mr. McDermeit will do so more research on this project.

Adult lunch price was changed to \$3.50.

Two executive sessions were held for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel.

The board approved a special meeting on Wednesday, July 29, 2015 at 6:30 a.m. for the purpose of approving the budget and NKESC agreement.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.