

Minutes of the Swan Valley School District No. 92 School Board Meeting
April 12, 2016

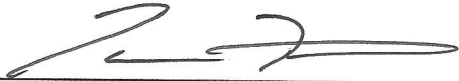
1. Call to Order: Chairman Hicks called the meeting to order at 7:02, and led the board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll Call: Chairman Tara Hicks, Vice-Chairman Jessica Poole, and Trustee Pauline Scholes. Others in attendance: Superintendent Joe Krause, and Board Clerk Fran Howell.
3. Patrons in attendance: Rayni Kopp, Chenoa Allen, and Mark Lundquist.
4. Agenda Adoption: Chairman Hicks called for a motion to adopt the proposed agenda. Mrs. Poole so moved. Mrs. Scholes seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
5. Chairman Hicks ordered the minutes of the 3/11/16 board meeting to stand as read.
6. The board reviewed the accounts payable. There were several questions from the board. Chairman Hicks called for a motion to pay the bills. Mrs. Poole so moved. Mrs. Scholes seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
7. The board reviewed the budget. There was a question about the custodial purchased services budget and the mechanic salary budget. Mr. Krause stated that there should not be any more inspections due on the buses this year, holding the mechanic salary at 100% spent. Mr. Krause also pointed out a few budget categories where we should be underspent, hoping to add to the fund balance.
8. Information Items:
 - A. The Superintendent Report included Mr. Krause showing the board a PowerPoint Presentation about several issues. He spoke about challenges with testing. He also visited with the board about Idaho Code in regards to health insurance, and recommended more information be found out before the board changes policy and potentially violate Idaho Code. Mr. Krause also advised that our district has joined Idaho Leads, and that in 2017 we will have an on-site visit from educators. He shared a letter from a Dr. Peter Clark, a former Swan Valley student, that he had received, which will lead to a community showing of a Tony Wagner film, "Most Likely to Succeed". He also showed a 10-minute Ted Dintersmith video, which describes Mr. Krause's vision for the district, which he feels will start to take root next year. Lastly, Mr. Krause spoke about Idaho Agriculture in the Classroom, a program that gives hands on curriculum for the classroom, and which the certified staff will attend a two day workshop for in June.
 - B. There was no public comment, however, Mrs. Poole asked at this time when contracts were being signed, to which Mr. Krause answered 2 weeks. Mrs. Scholes asked when the Blue Cross meeting was, and Mr. Krause thought sometime soon.
9. Action Items:
 - A. Chairman Hicks called for a motion to adopt the proposed 2016-2017 calendar as seen except for ½ day kindergarten and returning on 1/3/17. Mrs. Poole so moved. Mrs. Scholes seconded. There was lengthy discussion about full day vs. half-day kindergarten, and the length of the school day. Chenoa Allen pointed out that students are sometimes released before the bell, and Mrs. Scholes stated that kids should be walking out of the classroom at 3:15. Mr. Krause stated this has been an oversight. Mark Lundquist stated that we shouldn't wait until next year to do well with our students, that we should be starting now. After this long discussion, the motion passed.

B. Chairman Hicks called for a motion to approve offering of a teacher contract to Christine Krause for the 2016-2017 school year. Mrs. Poole so moved. Mrs. Scholes seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Coming Events include: 4/14 Project Filter Assembly, 4/18-4/22 Scholastic Book Fair, 5/4 3rd & 4th grade class field trip to Krupp Hollow Scout Camp, 5/9-5/13 Missoula Children's Theatre.

11. May Board Meeting was set for May 10, 2016 at 7:00 PM.

12. Chairman Hicks adjourned the meeting at 8:38.



Approved



Attested

5/10/16

Date