

Minutes of the  
New Rockford-Sheyenne Public School District No. 2  
Regular School Board Meeting  
Monday, February 12, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.

Members present: Eric Myhre, John McKnight, Alyson Myhre, Mary Kay Price, Todd Duchscherer, and John Grann. Absent: Roger Duda. Others present: Jill Louters, Superintendent; Avolt Baumbach, Secondary Principal; Natalie Becker, Elementary Principal; and Janet Heskin, Business Manager.

President Eric Myhre called the meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda

**It was moved by Duchscherer and seconded by McKnight to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

Approval of the Consent Agenda

**It was moved by Price and seconded by Alyson Myhre to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.** The consent agenda consists of the minutes from the January 18, 2016 regular meeting and the January 22, 2016 special meeting, business manager report, the bills for the general fund of \$73,448.90, the building fund of \$14,511.40, the food service fund of \$14,144.91 and the activity fund of \$13,502.90.

Comments from the Public

Davonne Allmaras, Eddy County Superintendent of Schools, commented that she enjoyed her part in the Geography Bee and is looking forward to the County Spelling Bee.

Board General Comments

John McKnight presented a giving tree suggestion for fundraising for teacher and student needs. Alyson Myhre reported on feedback she had received that the parent teacher conferences were great. She also mentioned the fundraiser planned for the playground and stated that she recommended that the school board also do a basket for the silent auction.

Alyson Myhre reported that the building committee met with the CTS Group which provided recommendations on ways to improve heating, cooling, and electrical within the building.

Principals' Reports

Principal Becker reported that the NWEA/STARS/DIBELS winter testing for the elementary has been completed; a team of staff members attended the state assessment training on February 12<sup>th</sup> with the testing to be given at the end of March; the spelling bee will be held on February 17<sup>th</sup> at the Eddy County Courthouse; and the Lions Club is sponsoring a taco fiesta fundraiser for the playground renovation on February 28<sup>th</sup> serving from 10:30a – 1:00p along with a bake sale and a silent auction. She attended the elementary principal conference this week which was very beneficial.

Principal Baumbach reported that Winter Fest will run February 16-19<sup>th</sup> with a dance on February 19<sup>th</sup>; prom will be held on April 2<sup>nd</sup>; Farconics, the computer monitoring program, is in use; parent

teacher conferences had about a 40% participation by parents; the district is continuing to prepare for the AdvancED review; and Close Up is selling 32oz tumblers for a fundraiser.

#### Superintendent Report

Superintendent Louters reported that development has begun on the 2016-17 budget and 2016-17 school calendar; AdvancED final preparations; preparation for and attendance at national superintendent certification; and preparation for the Steele-Tappen school visit for which she is a team member. She continues to work on the request from Rocket Boosters to gift the Crow's Nest to the school.

#### Teacher Report

In his absence, a written report was presented from Mark Huber on the science classes that he is teaching this year.

#### Second Reading of Replacement Policy AAC

**It was moved by Alyson Myhre seconded by Price to approve the second reading of replacement Policy AAC Non-Discrimination & Anti-Harassment . Motion carried unanimously.**

#### 2016-2017 Calendar

Mrs. Louters presented three proposed calendars for the 2016-17 school year. She stated that she had received feedback and suggestions from staff which indicated that the staff preferred the later start with no week long spring break. Discussion was held by the board and the calendar will be brought to the March meeting for review and approval.

#### School Board Election Date

**It was moved by McKnight and seconded by Alyson Myhre to hold the annual school board election on Tuesday, June 7, 2016 from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm in the school gymnasium lobby. Motion carried unanimously.** Up for election is a former New Rockford position currently held by Todd Duchscherer, and an at large position currently held by Alyson Myhre.

#### AdvancED Discussion

Mrs. Louters stated that the AdvancED information will be posted for review on the school website. The two goals are for our students to become proficient in English/Language Arts and to improve collaboration between staff to increase student achievement.

#### Announcements

The next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, March 14, 2016 at 7:00 pm.

NDSU Extension Service Lead Local training will be held on February 22, 2016.

#### Adjournment

The public meeting was adjourned at 4:31 p.m.

Janet Heskin  
Business Manager

Eric Myhre  
President