

SWEET HOME INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

July 10, 2023

A meeting was called to order by President Ray Peagler at 5:30pm. A quorum was present, the meeting was duly called, and notice of meeting had been posted for the time and manner required by law. All members were present.

Mr. Best offered his bus driving services during the public comment.

The minutes from the previous meeting were read. Johnny Turk made a motion to accept the minutes. Nathan Wenske seconded. All approved, motion carried.

May bills and budget status were reviewed. Region 3 will have June and possibly July at the next meeting. Outstanding checks past 90 days will be addressed, and TEA rescinded unused funds earmarked for special education from 2020-21 school year. Nathan Wenske made a motion to approve bills and budget status. Amy Picha seconded. All approved, motion carried.

Jessica Kusak was sworn into Place 5 of the Board of Trustees.

Robin Boswell and Jeff Points were nominated for the vacant Vice President position. Board vote was 5-2 in favor of Robin Boswell.

Johnny Turk made a motion to approve the budget amendment transferring previously budgeted grant and DLSEC funds in to their respective functions. Amy Picha seconded. All approved, motion carried.

The board then discussed the 2023-24 Compensation Plan. Notable changes included an additional stipend for Algebra 1 and an administrative stipend increase for extra duties to be performed. Dr. Pohl also noted possible decreases with unfilled transportation and custodian positions as well as counselor schedule changes. Nathan Wenske made a motion to approve, Ray Peagler seconded. All approved, motion carried.

The 2023-24 Stipend Schedule was reviewed as well with the changes in algebra and administrative stipends. Dr. Pohl will verify compliance with schedules and stipends. Nathan Wenske made a motion to approve, Robin Boswell seconded. All approved, motion carried.

Ray Peagler made a motion to approve the 2023-24 Curriculum with no changes made from the previous year. Nathan Wenske seconded. All approved, motion carried.

The board reviewed Region 3 contracted services. Fees from the Region increased from the previous year. Amy Picha made a motion to approve the Region 3 contracted services. Johnny Turk seconded. All approved, motion carried.

Dr. Pohl presented the 2023-24 Professional Development Plan to the board. Amy Picha made a motion to approve, Nathan Wenske seconded. All approved, motion carried.

Robin Boswell made a motion to approve the August 28 budget and tax rate meeting. Johnny Turk seconded. All approved, motion carried.

Projected enrollment for the 2023-2024 school year is 139. The next board meeting will be August 14, 2023, at 6pm.

Dr. Pohl then presented the Superintendent's Report detailing training updates, new website timeline, and staffing updates. Facilities are undergoing inspections and Dr. Pohl is working through any compliance issues that may be found. She is expecting a report on facilities assessment from RMA in August or September. The track will undergo repair and reconstruction in July. Brant Jacobs is working with Dr. Pohl to submit a grant proposal for a safety update to facilities. Master schedules were reviewed with the board. An HB 3 mandate requiring schools to have armed school personnel or security officer employed was discussed as well.

The board went into closed session at 7:06pm and resumed open session at 7:10pm.

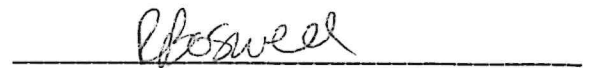
Johnny Turk made a motion to approve the employment of Dr. Candace Pohl as the Sweet Home ISD Superintendent. Jeff Points seconded. All approved, motion carried.

Nathan Wenske made a motion to accept the PreK applications. Ray Peagler seconded. All approved, motion carried.

Robin Boswell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Nathan Wenske seconded. All approved, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:12pm.

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Ray Peagler, Board President

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Robin Boswell", written over a horizontal line.

Robin Boswell, Board Secretary