

Renville County West School Board Meeting

March 28, 2020

The third March meeting of the Board of Education of ISD #2890, Renville County West, was called to order Saturday, March 28, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. via Google Hangout by Chairman Carnie Alex.

Board members present: Carnie Alex, Todd Terhaar, Darin Bratsch, Liza Fagen, Maria Kramer, Ryan Lippert and Dale Negen.

Board members absent: None.

Others present: Amanda Person, Barb Kronlokken, Becky Fergeson, Jammie Schneider, Molly Williams, Nicole Morris, Abby Carlson, Danette Hendrickson, Deanne Flom, Laura Rosen, Londa Swenson, Pam Peterson, Stacy Morales, Val Zaske, Gina Hagen, Tara Hinderks and Supt. Michelle Mortensen.

Chairman Alex called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

Chairman Alex read the vision and mission statements.

No public comments.

Motion by Lippert, seconded by Terhaar to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call Vote. Bratsch: yes, Negen: yes, Kramer: yes, Fagen: yes, Terhaar: yes, Lippert: yes, Alex: yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Negen, seconded by Bratsch to approve the paying of non-exempt employees. Motion failed due to further discussion needed. Roll call vote amending the first motion. Roll call vote. Kramer: yes, Terhaar: yes, Lippert: yes, Fagen: yes, Bratsch: yes, Negen: yes, Alex: yes. Motion carries.

Motion by Negen, seconded by Bratsch to approve the continued payment of non-exempt employees during the Distance Learning period due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The District will continue paying the non-exempt employees their regular rate of pay per their schedule and their FTE, assuming they are willing to be reassigned per the District's request, if needed. Those that feel they are unable to work or refusal to be reassigned can apply for the Families First Coronavirus Response Act. If the employee qualifies, the Act will be followed. If the employee does not qualify for the Act, the District will follow the terms of their contract. Roll call vote. Lippert: yes, Fagen: yes, Bratsch: yes, Terhaar: yes, Negen: yes, Kramer: yes, Alex: yes. Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 1:55 pm.

Liza Fagen, Clerk