

Treynor Community School District  
Regular Board Meeting  
May 9, 2016  
6:30 p.m. – HS/MS Media Center

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Schnepel. Roll call was taken. All directors were present (Schnepel, Myers (came in at 6:40), Funkhouser, Boese, Graber). Others in attendance were Supt. Elwood, Principals Kay, Berens, & McNeal, Attorney Joe Thornton and approximately 25 guests.

The meeting started off with incredible speeches from three 6<sup>th</sup> grade students who were the top winners in their class. They were given the task to write a speech about a woman that they felt influenced them the most. Natalie Simpson spoke on Sharin Ebadi, Izzy Hall spoke on Jane Goodall, and Ashlyn Vorthmann spoke on Queen Elizabeth II. Many thanks go out to these girls for doing an awesome job on their presentation of the speeches and for taking time out of their schedules to share their accomplishments with the Board.

Supt. Elwood recognized the Board for their time and dedication to the district with a certificate from IASB and a small token of appreciation.

Motion by Boese, second by Myers to approve the agenda and motion carried unanimously.

Heidi Guttan Fox spoke during the open forum on agenda item #10 (policy development on considering not conducting business with entities owned by persons known by the district to have been convicted of or having pleaded guilty to crimes against or involving children). She asked the Board to consider such a policy.

Motion by Funkhouser, second by Graber to approve bills, financial statements, officials' contracts, and minutes of previous meetings and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Schnepel, second by Myers to approve the class of 2016 graduates and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Funkhouser, second by Graber to approve the following resignations and motion carried unanimously.

Joy Fleming – Library Assistant  
Bob Daly –Assistant Baseball Coach (still plans to volunteer when able)

Motion by Funkhouser, second by Graber to approve the following contracts and motion carried unanimously.

Kristin Mundorf – Title I  
Lauren Rommel – MS Reading/Language Arts and JH Volleyball  
Rebecca Thompson – TAG  
Kent Poncelow – Assistant Baseball

The second reading of Board Policy 214.1 (Board Meeting Agenda) was reviewed. Motion by Myers, second by Boese to adopt as read and motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held on policy development to consider not conducting business with entities owned by persons known by the District to have been convicted of or having pleaded guilty to crimes against or involving children. Board gave input to Attorney Thornton and Thornton will draft a policy to bring back to the Board at the June meeting.

Principal Berens gave a TOPS (District Training Opportunities) committee update. The committee was clarifying gray areas and are planning implementation at the beginning of the next school year.

Supt. Elwood gave an overview of the savings to the district by refinancing series 2007 General Obligation Bonds. By refinancing and prepayment levies totaling \$1,000,000.00, the District will see a savings of \$750,000 in interest along with the \$1,000,000.00 prepayment. Motion by Myers, second by Graber to approve resolution directing the sale and approving bond purchase agreement in the amount of \$4,020,000 General Obligation School Refunding Bonds Series 2016 and the motion carried unanimously.

Shelly Bailey gave a technology update and plans for summer purchases. Motion by Funkhouser, second by Schnepel to approve summer purchases for technology in amount of \$111,000.00 and the motion carried unanimously.

Principals Kay, Berens, and McNeal reported on past and upcoming events and sent out many kudos to the many accomplishments our students have achieved in and out of the classroom.

There were no open enrollments requests at this time.

Supt. Elwood shared the D.E. release of graduation rates and that Treynor rates were above the state in graduation rates and below the state in drop-out rates. Elwood gave information on Lamp, Ryneerson & Associates as possible facility planners. He stated the District had used them for the athletic complex and were happy with their services. Board directed Elwood to set up a time with Lamp, Ryneerson & Associates to discuss future plans.

Motion by Funkhouser, second by Boese to approve purchase and installation of an 85 Gallon AO Smith Water Heater in amount of \$19,596.00 and motion carried unanimously.

Supt. Elwood informed the Board that the District received an A+ rating from Standard & Poor, the District received a \$6,500.00 grant from Noble Cause to increase community adult support, and that the Smarter Balance Assessment and Third Grade Retention/Summer School state mandates were delayed another year due to the state's financial restraints. Elwood also reminded the Board of the following dates:

May 22	2:00 p.m. Graduation
May 23	5:00 p.m. Bond Refinance (Brief Meeting)
June 8	5:30 p.m. IASB Work Session
June 13	6:30 p.m. Regular Board Meeting
June 29	5:00 p.m. End of Fiscal Year Meeting

Motion by Schnepel, second by Myers to enter closed session according to Iowa Code 20.17(e) to discuss negotiations. Roll call was taken and all directors voted aye (Schnepel, Myers, Funkhouser, Boese, Graber). Entered closed session at 7:44 p.m.

Motion by Myers, second by Schnepel to come of closed session and all five directors voted aye. Out of closed session at 9:04 p.m.

Motion by Myers, second by Schnepel to approve the tentative contract agreement with the TEA for the 2016-17 school year with a total package increase of 4.5% and motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Boese, second by Graber to approve 3.5% increase with 2 year contracts to principals and AD with a few adjustments to the HS and Elementary Principals and motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Boese second by Graber to approve 4.5% increase to non-eligible TEA and non certified personnel with an adjustment to HS/MS Guidance Counselor and motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, motion by Graber, second by Boese to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be June 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Erica Schnepel, Board President

Karli North, Board Secretary