

Minutes
Sleepy Eye ISD #84
Board of Education
Conference Room
May 8, 2024, 5:30PM

Agenda

Call to order: Attendance: Sandy Gonzalez, Joleen Dittbenner, Brian Nelson, Darla Remus, Casey Coulson, Adam Barka, Sheila Wurtzberger

Good News Items: Graduation is a week away. Prom was beautiful. FFA had a great state competition and spring sports are doing well.

Recognition of visitors: Staff, press, FFA students and public

Approve Agenda M Joleen Dittbenner 2nd Brian Nelson M/C

Approve minutes of April 10, 2024 M Sandy Gonzalez 2nd Casey Coulson M/C

Approve financial transactions and reports M Joleen Dittbenner 2nd Casey Coulson M/C

Reports

Board: Sheila attended the Mental Health Conference as part of BCPH for Mental Health Awareness Month. Curriculum met Curriculum writing is taking place with Troy Vangsness making changes to the Sociology program. Curriculum will also see new changes to programs in 2025, 2026, and 2027 they also heard about the READ act updates. Community Ed also met and there is a new summer brochure that has been released. Staff Development met and went over the new curriculum.

Principal: Helped take a STEM class on a tour of 3M. Successful band/choir concert, recognition breakfast, gold cord, prom. The master schedule is ready with the exception of a few ACE/supervision assignments. Student schedules will be going out next Monday, May 13th. Students will have next week to check into schedule changes.

Finishing up Individual Growth and Development Plans with teachers and evaluations with non-certified staff. Commencement Friday, May 17th at 7 PM

Superintendent: Teacher appreciation week 5/6-5/10 Thank you teachers for your hard work and dedication!! End of the year data collection and goal setting process with Cabinet members (planning on presenting information at the July retreat). Reading committee completed the curriculum selection process: Wit and Wisdom will be our new curriculum for K-6. Summer school: 70 students K-6 enrolled, the program runs June 17- July 18 from 8:00AM-12:30PM. HS Graduation: May 17, 2024 at 7:00PM

Presentation:

Sleepy Eye FFA State & Chapter Banquet Awards Students presented that they had 72 students attending the State Convention they also had a first place finish for the Poultry team and A star farmer was Issac Lendt. The students did a great job at presenting and they should be very proud of their accomplishments. We thanked the students and their advisors for all their hard

work and making our school proud of the whole FFA program. They also held their End of Year Banquet on Sunday.

Action items:

Approve resignation of Karina Koracan as K-12 Vocal Music teacher as of the end of the 2023-24 school year. Thank you Karina!!

Approve retirement of Mary Maas as of the end of her summer hours. Thank you Mary, enjoy your retirement!!

Approve resignation of Abigail Kruse as Elementary Special Ed instructor as of the end of the 2023-24 school year

Approve resignation of Emily Reding as the Summer Migrant Education Program Coordinator as of October 1, 2024

Approve resignation of Grant Romberg as JH Boys basketball coach at the end of the 2023-24 school year

Approve Amaya Ochs as a Tier 1 Special Education instructor for the 2024-25 school year @\$45,488

Approve Grant Romberg as the Head Girls Basketball coach for the 2024-25 school year @\$4,717

Approve summer hours request for technology support (Mary Maas and Alisa Mangen)

Accept the following donations: \$300 by the Open Bible Church of Sleepy Eye to the track program. Thank you for your generous donation, it is greatly appreciated!

Approve Migrant and Targeted Staff as presented

Addendum
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Action Items Continued:

Approve hiring Joshua L. Domeier as a Tier 1 Vocal Music Instructor for the 2024-25 school year @\$45,488 plus Vocal Director at \$2,228 for a total of \$47,716.

Accept the following donation: \$200 by Dashir Management Services to the FFA Boosters.

Approve hiring Alyssa Stevensen as an Art Instructor for the 2024-25 school year @ \$38,353.50 plus Senior Class Asst. Advisor at \$50 for a total of \$38,403.50.

Approve the Amendment with ISD 88 for the .5 FTE Art Teacher for the 2023-24 School year.

Concerns from the board were expressed about the Tier 1 teacher for choir and the posting process, discussion took place with the understanding that this job will be posted again in January, we think that we should work harder with colleges around the area to get our postings out there. We understand there was not a lot of time but really think that this position requires

more attention. Qualified Candidates are not applying and that is another concern. Valid comments and concerns were made and we will continue to stay vigilant on this issue.

M Casey Coulson 2nd Brian Nelson M/C

Next meeting is Wednesday June 12th, 2024 @5:30PM

Adjourn. Time: 5:52 p.m.

M Casey Coulson 2nd Sandy Gonzalez M/C

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheila Wurtzberger/Clerk