

Minutes
Sleepy Eye ISD #84
Board of Education
November 20, 2024, 5:30PM
Conference Room

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

Good News Items: Riverbend received an award at MREA.

Recognition of visitors: Staff, press & students

Approve Agenda M Joleen Dittbenner 2nd Sandy Gonzalez M/C

Approve minutes of October 9, 2024 M Casey Coulson 2nd Brian Nelson M/C

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

Reports

Board: Community Ed met and winter offerings were discussed, there are some good trips coming up that include Grease and some classes that are being offered such as cookie decorating.. CAT met and discussed new offerings such as music classes in place of Band or Choir. Will be reviewing the Read Act and the WBWF. Policy meeting has a new policy for the library. Facilities met and discussed a new gym floor, they met the new Facilities manager, Craig Murphy and Staff Development met for more training dates

Principal: Departments reviewing standards (some have new standards to sort through) and aligning curriculum in Schoology. Teachers have implemented Student Learning Plans and begin credit tracking and having students report on grade progress at each grade check. Completed first observation with non-tenured and will complete second one before the end of first semester. Tenured teachers on administrative review this year have all had their observations. A mock election was held. We had a successful Blood drive. Students attended a Career Fair. He attended an AI meeting and 2 people have applied for the choir position. Staff spotlights: Kevin Schneider, Deb Reinarts, Carlie Hedlund, Deanna Nelson, Brianna Pietso, Mary Helget.

Superintendent: Our building's main focus of the year is to successfully implement our new Wit and Wisdom and Functional Phonics curriculum. So far we had two fidelity checks and both Trisha and Michele provided fantastic feedback. Teacher observations are in the round two level now that I hope to complete by the Thanksgiving break. We are working on improving our hallway transition behaviors with our students in November.

Presentation

FY 2024 Audit draft Presentation-ABDO Layne Kockelman was here to present. All the issues we have are issues that plague districts of our size. Funding changed on the states side to increase SPED funding which helped us out. Food service changed because of the state approving free lunches. Transportation costs are increasing. Overall our district is in good shape.

FFA National Convention recap by the FFA officer team October 21-26, 2024 in Indianapolis a great time was had by all. 19 Sleepy Eye members, Mary Hoffmann and Katie Emmett attended. Sleepy Eye FFA was named a 3 star National Chapter which is the highest award. They also attended some tours that included Churchill Downs, Broken Spoke Bison, Fair Oaks Farms, Louisville Slugger and the Rodeo.

Action Items

Approve snow removal quote provided by S and J Construction

Approve FY 2024 Audit

Approve open enrollment request: 3 in: New Ulm 2, GFW; 1 out to New Ulm

Approve revisions to policy 606.5

Approve the following donations: \$1000 by the Sleepy Eye Lions Club to fund the Biztown transportation costs; \$6000 by Bill and Julie Ries to SE FFA; \$2500 by Central Region Coop to SE FFA, \$2,000 by the Darfur Sportsmans Club for Junior Achievement. Thank you so much for your donations. They are greatly appreciated.

M Brian Nelson 2nd Adam Barka M/C

Next meeting: Wednesday, December 11, 5:30PM regular meeting (truth and taxation 6:00PM) Special meeting on November 25, 2024, 5:30 p.m.

Adjourn. Time: 6:31 p.m. M Sandy Gonzalez 2nd Adam Barka M/C

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheila Wurtzberger/Clerk