

**SOUTH CENTRAL CALHOUN
BOARD OF DIRECTORS PUBLIC
HEARING & REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2022**

The South Central Calhoun Board of Directors met in a Public Hearing and Regular Meeting on Mon, April 11, 2022, at the SCC MS media center. President Judy Hungate called the meeting to order at 6 pm. Director members present included Chris Green, Ryan Hammen, Jason Hawkins, Keaton Hildreth, and Nick Spencer. Others present included Supt Brad Anderson, Board Secretary Carol Collins, and a few guests. Vice-President Roger McKinney was absent with regret.

Green motioned, Spencer seconded, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0 with McKinney absent.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Spencer read the SCC Mission Statement: *The mission of the South Central Calhoun School District is to partner with our communities to provide an environment rich with opportunities that challenge every student to master skills and understandings which will transfer into a successful future.*

Public Input on Non-Agenda Items

There were no requests to speak. **FY23 Budget Hearing**

President Hungate opened the Public Input Hearing for the FY23 budget. Supt Anderson reviewed the process for building and filing the budget by April 15. The public hearing is required to allow comments and questions on the budget. Secretary Collins reviewed the levy rates for the General, Mgmt and PPEL Funds, with the Mgmt levy the only portion under the Board's control. The other levies are dictated by student enrollment and bonds for the construction projects at the elem and HS. The proposed combined levy is \$11.25436 per \$1000 assessed value, which is down about 3 cents from the current year. There were no questions or comments from the audience. President Hungate closed the hearing at 6:18 pm.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

NCCS Agreement

Supt Anderson reviewed the agreement with Manson NW Webster Schools for the North Central Consortium School to send 2 students who are not having their needs met at SCC. The Board must enter into a 28E agreement in order to allow enrollment in the program. Once a final decision for each student is made, the agreement with rent and tuition payment will be due if the decision is to enroll in NCCS. Hildreth questioned the rent payment with only 2 months remaining in the school year; Supt Anderson and Principal Martin agreed but remained confident that NCCS would provide the educational services which would benefit the 2 students. In addition, enrollment at the end of the school year would eliminate a delay in the fall if NCCS continues to be the best option for the two students.

Mentoring Program

Kerri McAlexander, mentor coordinator, updated the Board on the mentoring program at the elementary. There are 14 adult mentor pairs and 19 HS Heroes pairs with elem and PS students in LC. McAlexander reviewed the mentor qualifications and how students are referred to the HS mentor volunteers; contact the elem for more information. The mentoring program is renewing for next year. The Board thanked McAlexander for her continued commitment to the students and school.

Retiree Recognition

Supt Anderson invited the five retirees to attend the meeting in recognition of their years of service. Three retirees were able to attend - Jane Henely, Paula Klocke and Scott Nesbitt - and received a bell from the Board. Brian Knapp and Brian Lantz were unable to attend. The retirees leave SCC with 173 combined years of service to the students, staff and community. A short recess was held for refreshments.

The Board reconvened at 6:47.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Principal McChesney updated the Board that 45 students have committed to summer school. Families with a student in Title I programming

completed a survey to help identify strengths and weaknesses. Classroom associates were recognized for their contribution to the elementary's success. Upcoming field trips - including Toyne Apparatus and Trophies Plus, University 40 and Lohrville trails, Grotto Museum, and Science Center of IA - will give students learning opportunities and exposure to new environments and experiences.

Principal DeMoss showed Parent-Teacher Conference attendance, with 90% in 4th grade and an average of 41% in grades 6-8. ISASP testing is underway at the MS. Upcoming events include field trips to the Omaha Zoo, Living History Farms, 4-6 track and field day, and music concerts.

Principal Martin shared that final summer school enrollment will be determined in May with the midterm grading period. Professional development activities at the HS focused on student mental health with 3 book studies, engaging teachers in discussions to identify and problem solve student learning and disciplinary issues.

Supt Anderson recognized the building principals for their leadership and noted they truly serve as change agents for the district to continuously improve and evolve to meet the needs of students and families.

ACTION ITEMS

Consent Agenda

Green motioned, Hawkins seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, including minutes, bills, March 2022 financials, and FY23 AEA Purchasing Agreement. Motion carried 6-0.

List of Graduates

Hammen motioned, Hildreth seconded, to approve the 2022 list of graduates pending successful completion of requirements. Motion carried 6-0.

FY23 Budget

Spencer motioned, Hawkins seconded, to approve the FY23 budget as presented with a combined levy rate of \$11.25436. Motion carried 6-0.

Facilities Updates

Hildreth motioned, Hammen seconded, to approve the low bid from Site Services as presented for asbestos abatement at the MS. Motion carried 6-0.

Lau Plan

Green motioned, Spencer seconded, to approve the Lau Plan for English Language Learners as presented. Motion carried 6-0. A copy of the plan is available on the SCC website.

NCCS Agreement

Hammen motioned, Green seconded, to approve the agreement with North Central Consortium School as presented for the remainder of the year. Motion carried 6-0.

LGRP Agreement

Spencer motioned, Hawkins seconded, to approve the Local Government Risk Pool agreement for FY23 as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Mentoring Agreement

Hawkins motioned, Hildreth seconded, to approve the mentoring agreement with IA DHS for FY23 as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

PERSONNEL ITEMS

Hildreth motioned, Spencer seconded, to approve the personnel items as presented, including resignation - Rebecca Daniel, cook at end of school year; hirings - Darren Bundt, substitute driver; Amanda Maile, cross country; Alycia Bond, assistant HS volleyball; classified staff for FY23; TLC leaders, tech and induction for FY23; summer food service, custodial and summer school workers; sharing contracts for SBO and HR with Laurens-Marathon and Manson NW Webster; extended unpaid leave for Employee A; and funding of \$10,000 for Certified Staff PD. Motion carried 6-0.

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

The SIAC meeting is Thursday, April 21, at 6 at the HS. Graduation is Sunday, May 22, at the HS.

With no further business to discuss, Hawkins motioned, Green seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm..

By Carol A Collins, Board Secretary