SCHOOL DISTRICT OF EDGAR

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER

August 17, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 6 p.m.

Attendance: 4 Board members, 2 Administrators, 2 guests

Pledge of allegiance was led by Gary Lewis

Roll Call: Gary Lewis, Pam Stahel, Becca Normington, Megan Wesolowski

Public Participation: Peter Weinschenk shared information about the Athens School District referendum.

Staff/Student presentations:

- Morgan Mueller shared that a fiscal audit was conducted last month and a few process recommendations were made. It was recommended that school board treasurer sign each month's finance reports.
- Morgan also looked into bank fees in response to Gary Lewis's inquiry last month regarding why
 we pay such fees. Morgan reported that if we decide not to pay fees, it would affect our earned
 interest rate, making the fees vs. interest a wash.

School Board members heard Administrative Reports:

District Administrator: Cari Guden reported on her meeting activity for July. She also presented highlights of the Marathon County Special Education Board meeting. A thank you note from Amy Thuot was shared with Board members during the meeting. Dr. Guden noted the school year will begin on September 1. A revised plan for ESSER funds is being developed. The school received new CDC guidance related to COVID-19. The 2023 state education conference is scheduled for January 18-20, and recommended that board members let Dr. Guden know if they to attend so that hotel rooms can be secured.

Lisa Witt reported:

Preparations for the start of school on September 1.

The new teacher mentor program has nine new teachers this year. New teacher inservice will be held next week (August 22-23). Dr. Witt noted that all year 3 teachers have been retained. Educator Effectiveness will be conducted. Each teacher will be observed in the classroom. Dr. Witt noted that we are fortunate that Dr. Guden also opts to observe in classrooms to see how they operate.

Dr. Guden noted that in October, a new collaborative inservice will be hosted in Edgar with all districts in CESA 9 participating.

Dr. Witt reported on universal screening assessments that will take place during the school year.

Tom McCarty's report included:

Today (August 17) was 6th grade Wildcat Day, with students in the building all day spending time with each of their teachers, going to lunch and practicing opening their lockers.

9th grade orientation was also held today. They spent time with teachers, learned about clubs, grade point averages and academic records, and asked questions.

Last week Continuous Improvement Plan meetings were held. Data from last year was reviewed, root cause analysis was conducted to dig into where improvements can be made.

The first Friday football game was parent's night. Volleyball has started. Student Council has met to plan homecoming.

Board member reports: Corey Mueller was absent from tonight's meeting and was unable to provide a CESA 9 Annual Board Meeting report.

Consent Agenda:

Approval of agenda, minutes, financial statement and bills for payment. A motion to approve the agenda and minutes from the July 20 regular board meeting, the minutes of the July 20 Executive Meeting, financial statements and bills was made by Becca Normington, seconded by Megan Wesolowski. The motion carried.

Personnel: Dr. Guden made a recommendation to hire a 5th grade intern Gina Graveen, and 3 part time custodians to fill the vacant full time night custodian position during the school year only, along with a 4th part time custodial position. Megan Wesolowski made a motion to approve the recommended hires. Pam Stahel seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Policy:

Dr. Guden presented annual handbook notices to be posted on the school website and sent to parents via skylert; recommended the hiring of high school co-curricular advisors; Start College Now applications for fall 2022; and ECCP Course requests for fall 2022. A motion was made by Becca Normington, seconded by Megan Wesolowski to approve the recommendations. The motion carried.

Finance: Building leases for Edgar Childcare and Mill Church were discussed. Gary Lewis questioned whether rent should be increased for Edgar Childcare. Morgan Mueller reported that the school district earns more than \$4100 per year in revenue on the rent. Costs for maintaining the building are covered by the current rent rate. The Board considered raising the rent if upcoming maintenance expenses would outstrip the rent revenue. No recommendation to raise the rent was made at this time.

Other business:

Dr. Guden shared recent MCSE teachers and paraprofessionals hired for Edgar School District.

Recognition of persons wishing to address the Board: none

Board suggestion for future agenda items: Dr. Guden welcomed board members to attend in services and other school based activities throughout the year. She also noted that WASB Fall regional meetings have been announced.

A motion was made by Megan Wesolowski, seconded by Pam Stahel to adjourn the meeting. .

Meeting adjourned at 6:41p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Rebecca Normington

Board Clerk