

September Board Meeting - September 11, 2024

The Tri-Center Board of Education met September 11, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Library.

Those present were: President Mike Olsen; Board Members Jeremy VanArsdol, Katie Ausdemore, and Sara Arnold. Board Member Amanda Scherer was unable to attend due to prior obligations. Others present included Superintendent, Angie Huseman; Board Secretary/Business Manager, Jennifer Harder; Principals, Jami Bertelsen and Chad Harder; and Curriculum Director Michelle Baatz.

President Olsen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Ausdemore with a second by Arnold to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Ausdemore with a second by VanArsdol approving the consent agenda including paying the bills, approval of financial reports and the minutes from the previous board meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

Under Administrative reports, Building Principals, Curriculum Director and Superintendent reported on the following:

- Capturing Kids Hearts campus wide review
- Elementary Student Council active with Popsicles on the Playgrounds, Friday Cleanup and the Alzheimer Fundraiser this Friday at the football game
- Sept 6<sup>th</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade to Carstens Farm, Sept 20<sup>th</sup> – Preschool to Arrowhead, Oct 8<sup>th</sup> – Preschool to Vala's, Oct 11<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade to Dodge House and Camp Hitchcock, Oct 18<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade to the Luminarium
- This Friday is Farm Safety
- Oct 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> will be Fire Safety with both Minden and Neola Fire Departments
- Morning Drop Off
- New Absence Policy and TC procedures
- Brandy Waller & Kara Higgens presented about trauma
- Secondary math update
- Curriculum updates for Math and Literacy
- Football Bleacher project nearly complete
- Bowling update

Under New Business, the FY23 Audit performed by Nolte, Cornman and Johnson P.C. was reviewed by Business Manager Harder.

Motion by Ausdemore with a second by Arnold to approve an employee request for unpaid leave. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by VanArsdol with a second by Ausdemore to approve the second reading of the following policies. Motion carried 4-0.

- 501.9 Chronic Absenteeism and Truancy
- 501.9R1 Chronic Absenteeism and Truancy Regulation
- 905.3 Weapons in the School District

Motion by VanArsdol with second by Arnold to approve the SBRC request for Allowable Growth for Special Ed Deficit of \$205,178.39. Motion carried 4-0.

Superintendent Huseman shared Tri-Center's Talented and Gifted Program (TAG). Motion by Arnold with a second by Ausdemore to accept the plan. Motion carried 4-0.

Superintendent Huseman shared the plan for Tri-Center's English Language Learners (ELL) and LAU. Motion by Ausdemore with a second by Arnold to approve this plan. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Arnold with a second by Ausdemore to approve the addition of a Schedule B position for an Ag Facility Sponsor. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by VanArsdol with a second by Ausdemore to approve the following fundraisers. FBLA selling treat bags, half court shots, and banners and FFA selling snack sticks. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Arnold with a second by VanArsdol to approve the Spring and Summer Coaching contracts. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by VanArsdol with a second by Arnold to approve following resignations, Rebecca Thomas as Softball coach effective after the 2024 season, Chrissy Davis as Para and Terry Overgaard as Van Driver. Motion carried 4-0.

The October meeting will be held October 9, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the HS Library.

Motion by Ausdemore with a second by Arnold to adjourn the regular board meeting at 7:27 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

President Olsen declared the board meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Jennifer T. Harder  
Business Manager/Board Secretary

Mike Olsen  
Board President