# SOUTH NODAWAY R-IV SCHOOLS REGULAR MEETING – OCTOBER 17, 2012

A quorum being present and due notice having been published according to Section 610.010 & 610.022 RSMo, the regular meeting of the South Nodaway R-IV Board of Education was called to order by President Lori Murphy on Wednesday, October 17, 2012 at 7:03 p.m. in the library at the high school in Barnard, Missouri.

Members Present: Lori Murphy – President; – Steve Farnan - Vice President-Absent; Chris LaMaster – Member; Shawn Beck – Member; Rick Holtman – Member; Janet Hilsabeck – Member; and Macia Kemper – Member. Other School Personnel Present: Darbi Bauman, Elementary Principal; Shawn Emerson, High School Principal; Kyle Collins, Superintendent and Brandy Wolf, Board Secretary.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Agenda and/or additions
Approval of Minutes (September 19, 2012 regular meeting)
Approval of Principals' and Superintendent's Reports
Approval of Warrant #4
Approval of Substitute Teacher List

Macia Kemper motioned and Janet Hilsabeck seconded to accept the consent agenda. The motion carried 6-0.

## Visitors, Delegations, Interviews

Senior class representatives met with BOE regarding their senior class trip. They have planned to go to Branson and Silver Dollar City. While there they will visit the Dixie Stampede, mini golf, and spend a day at the Lake of the Ozarks. Their plan is to stay 2 nights in Branson and 1 night in Kansas City at the Great Wolf Lodge and visit a museum. A motion to approve was made by Lori Murphy and Macia Kemper seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

# **Teacher Representative Comments**

Guidance counselor, Nick Wray, discussed the MAP and EOC report. Mr. Nick Wray state that Math scores were above average on grade levels except 6<sup>th</sup> grade. There was a 5% increase in school overall. The state had a 1% increase overall. Communication Arts at South Nodaway was above state average in all grades except 8th. There was a 6.7% increase district wide compared to a 0.7% increase state wide. Science showed a decrease in testing scores by 7.95% and the state increased by 1.65%. End of Course results showed above average scores in all areas of testing except English II and Civics. Will possibly be looking at the sequence of Social Studies classes to see if the government classes might best be offered at a different grade level.

Fourth Grade teacher Jayne McGinness spoke of how the 4th grade class to a field trip to Missouri day at Missouri Western State University. There were several different presenters that the kids got to talk to in regards to different things that are made and happen in Missouri. Over 200 4th graders from the area were in attendance at the event.

#### **Committee Reports**

There were none at this time.

## Elementary, High School, and Superintendent's Reports

Elementary Principal Darbi Bauman commented in her written report that the average daily attendance was 97.3%. The elementary has started tutoring sessions after school and will continue doing this until the end of the year. At the October 1 Teacher In-service the staff traveled to NWMSU to attend Marcia Tate's workshop. She presented 20 Successful Strategies for a Successful Classroom and discussed how to address challenges within the classroom. October 12 was the first day of Pre-preschool. This is a class of 3 and 4 year olds. The goal of pre-preschool is to get the kids familiar with the school and excited about coming. The elementary is currently working on a program to provide additional support for students that have difficulty completing homework and that are getting behind in their work. We are hoping to have this in place within the next few weeks. Student Council at the elementary has been replaced with with several smaller leadership groups.

High School Principal Shawn Emerson commented in his written report that the Week of Diversity was held October 2-5 and planned by student Darrel Hawley. Each day had different speakers discussing several diversity issues. She did a lot of planning to pull this off and she did a great job with this. Job shadowing was held on October 10 with 9 students participating in the job shadow. Students shadowed such jobs as teachers, chiropractors, a lawyer, heating and cooling, and a taxidermist. I would like to welcome Lisa Gaa to the South Nodaway Staff as the new night custodian at the high school. The first Junior High basketball game is October 16. There are 8 boys and 14 girls playing JH Basketball this year. Congratulations to Allison Hilsabeck and Kristin Nielson for making All Conference Softball and to Allison Hilsabeck for All District Softball. This year the football playoff system has changed. We are in a 5 team district and you are ranked from your results from the season with a strength of schedule rating. Each team will get a game and we will probably have a game on October 26.

Superintendent Kyle Collins told members in his written report that the construction fence is up and the access road has been cut in. Demolition of the old superintendent's office is complete. The east entrance of the building has been sealed off and will remain so throughout much of the construction. Diversity week was commendable and student Darrel Hawley, along with Principal Shawn Emerson, did a good job to raise awareness for the topic. I really felt good about the feedback from the presenters and visitors we had in the building that week regarding how much they appreciated our students and how polite and thoughtful they were.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Construction Progress Mr. Bob Davis reported that there was not a lot to report at this time. Dr. Collins and himself are currently working with contractors and architects on the timeline. According to Mr. Davis, a temporary fence that was put up is too close to Highway WW. It is under Mr. Davis's recommendation that the fence needs to be moved back to improve line of sight. We will talk to MODOT about putting up a temporary stop sign for safety reasons. The pre-engineered building that will be going up is being reviewed. Mr. Davis is working on trying to keep on schedule.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Mrs. Darbi Bauman gave an update on the Race to the Top Grant. She stated that the name of our grant is "E3 (Cubed) Equipping, Empowering, Engaging the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learner." The grant paperwork is now in the hands of DESE for comments. The grant is over 360 pages. A decision will be made in December with January being the go live date if the grant is received. \$22 million over 4 years will be received.

Superintendent Kyle Collins gave information to the Board regarding pricing information on a new walk-in freezer. Freezer will have to be outside because of the size. This was currently figured into the budget. We will still have to purchase a cooler for inside. The Board suggested we call a neighboring school with a similar cooler and ask if they

have any recommendations/considerations on what to purchase. Going to research some more and bring recommendations to the November BOE meeting.

<u>BUDGET:</u> Dr Collins gave handouts comparing revenue this year to last year. State Revenue projection is showed higher this year than last. The revenue that is shown does not include Student Activity accounts. Revenue projections are ahead of last year.

Salaries and stipend for certified and non-certified staff were discussed for consideration. A possible stipend may be given for move days for new school. We will discuss more at a later date.

### Other Agenda Items

Mrs. Darbi Bauman met with other school principals on DESE changes. Lots of changes are happening at the same time. She wants to encourage the Board to stay on top of MSBA and all of the changes that are happening.

#### Adjournment

Lori Murphy made a motion to adjourn and Macia Kemper seconded the motion. It carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

The next meeting was scheduled to be held on November 21, 2012 at 7 p.m. in the high school library.

Approved by the South Nodaway R-IV Board of Education.

President		
Secretary		

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