

Board Of Education
Regular School Board Meeting
Southeast Webster Grand and
Prairie Valley Community School District
Gowrie, Iowa 50543
Tuesday, October 18, 2022
Southeast Valley Central Office -- 6:30 PM

Public Hearing – Sale of Property and HS Air Conditioning Project

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Welcome Visitors
4. Citizen Participation – **Emily Joyce has asked to be on the agenda to talk about her son, open enrollment and waiving the 90 days of eligibility. Being aware of some of the situation, I have empathy for this young man. However, after spending a good deal of time communicating with the IHSAA about the matter, they have informed me that this is a “general transfer” and not an open enrollment matter, therefore, the districts couldn’t sign off on it even if we agreed.**

5. Consent Items – Approval Of:

Agenda
Minutes
Open Enrollment
Bills

6. Committee Reports
 - a. Facilities & Grounds
 - b. School Improvement Advisory Committee
 - c. Public Relations
 - d. Finance/Negotiations
 - e. Transportation
 - f. Technology
7. Jaguar Jubilations
8. Administrative Report
 - a. Financial Report -- **Enclosed**
 - b. Elementary Report -- **Enclosed**
 - c. Middle School Report -- **Enclosed**
 - d. High School Report -- **Enclosed**
 - e. Curriculum Report -- **Enclosed**
 - f. School Board Convention -- November 16: **Pre-Convention Workshops & Member-Vendor Social**, November 17: **Annual Convention & Trade Show** and November 18: **Board Presidents' Workshop. Who's game?**
 - g. Work Session – **In the past, we have done this in November. Our regular board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 16th in Burnside. The following Wednesday is the day before Thanksgiving. How about Wednesday, December 7th in Gowrie?**

9. Discussion/Action Items

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a. Personnel – Mr Ketcham will recommend the hiring of Tonya Harrison as the year book sponsor. I will recommend the hiring of Kim Ackerson as the Special Olympics Coordinator. Mr Danielson will recommend the hiring of Emily Kolsrud for the MS Social Work position. Melinda will recommend the hiring of Mary Johnson for the nutrition staff in Burnside. Additionally, with your permission, I will be looking to hire an additional JH boys' and girls' basketball coach if numbers are high. *Update: Linda Hunecke has submitted her resignation due to retirement at the end of this school year. I will recommend approval and thank her for her service and wisdom. Additionally, Paula Scott (Dayton Music) has informed me that she plans to retire at the end of this school year. My plan is to advertise and hire at Christmas if possible. This would Paula and the new staff member an opportunity to team teach for ½ a year and also for us not to have to compete for a shortage area this spring.*

b. 23-24 Insurance – I need some direction. When we consolidate, we will need a new Property/Casualty & Workers' Comp insurance. Currently, SWG uses EMC and PV uses IPSIP. How do you want to go about this? Do you want me to form a committee and they bring a recommendation to the board in December or do you want both companies to do presentations in front of the entire board? Ultimately, I think this will be the action of the new board.

c. Policy Updates – As I type this, I cannot remember the exact policy number, but there is a policy regarding contract release. Previously, I was told to max the monetary number out. However, after talking to the attorney, I am told the number cannot be used as punitive. Therefore, I will recommend language to include the possibility of making the release contingent on the staff leaving to pay the potential signing bonus, adding additional endorsements, and/or additional classes, but not to exceed \$25,000.

d. Sale of the Boxholm Gym Property – I will recommend the finalizing the sale of the Boxholm Property to the City of Boxholm as described in the purchase agreement.

e. Sale of the Old Dayton Gym Property – I will recommend the finalizing the sale of the old Dayton Gym Property to the City of Boxholm as described in the purchase agreement.

f. Southeast Valley School Trust – As was briefly mentioned last month by Lisa, one of the other ways we can receive some miscellaneous income is setting up a trust for individuals to make a tax deductible donation or as part of their will. I am not sure if this is something you might want to start, and if so, do we start it now or wait until July.

g. High School Air Conditioning Project – The bids are scheduled to be opened on 10/13. Depending on the bids, I will recommend the board approve the entire project as well as approving the lowest bid. *Update: We received one bid for \$1.57 million dollars. The bidder would not put an estimate on the completion due to the volatile market. Their biggest concern was the rooftop units, but thought they could get all the prep work of wiring and supports into place and install the units as they arrive (if it were after the start of school).*

h. Early Retirement – I am going to recommend that both boards offer early retirement for those that were not offered last year.

Applicant must be at least 55 years old and have worked in the district for at least 10 years by the time the policy goes into place. This plan is for teachers currently teaching in grades PK-

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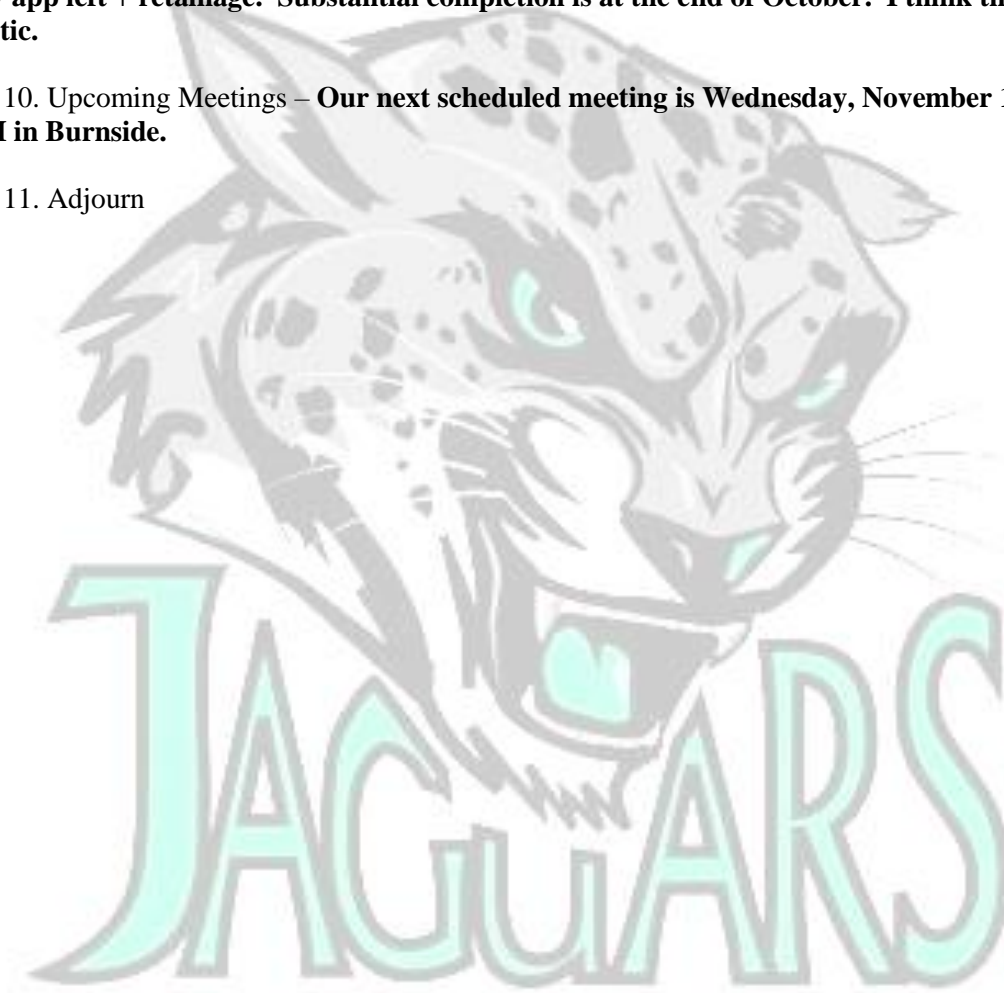
6, including current administrators, 5-8 exploratory, specials, and special education teachers and will take effect after the 23-24 school year.

Early Retirement benefits = 30% of an individual's last teaching contract + \$50 for every sick day you have left after the last day. The plan will be limited to 4 participants (per district), with the board reserving the right to extend the plan to additional participants.

i. Boxholm Pay App #4 – **Enclosed. I will recommend approval. There should be one pay app left + retainage. Substantial completion is at the end of October. I think that is optimistic.**

10. Upcoming Meetings – **Our next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, November 16th at 6:30PM in Burnside.**

11. Adjourn



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