

DECEMBER 16, 2024, REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Stanton School District Board of Directors met at 6:00 PM on Monday, December 16, 2024, in the STEM Room for a regular session. School Business Official/Board Secretary called the meeting to order with Directors John McDonald, Cameron Lewellen, Travis Taylor and Zach Ward present. Director Amy Tibben was absent. Additional attendees were Superintendent David Gute, School Business Official Stephanie Burke, and Assistant Principal Jerry Hartman.

PUBLIC PRESENTERS

Stanton FFA members Clark Spencer, Grant Spencer, Caed Olson, Josie Strange and Nick Herrick were present and shared their experience at the National FFA Convention they attended.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Ward to approve the agenda, second by Taylor. All in favor. Motion carried.

ANNUAL MEETING

Stephanie Burke, School Board Official/Board Secretary, called the Annual Meeting to order. Motion by Ward, second by Lewellen to nominate John McDonald as President for the 2024-2025 school year. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Ward, second by McDonald to nominate Cameron Lewellen as Vice-President for the 2024-2025 school year. All in favor. Motion carried.

The meeting was turned over to President McDonald.

Motion by Lewellen, second by Ward to appoint Stephanie Burke as Board Secretary for the 2024-2025 school year. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Ward, second by Lewellen to appoint Stephanie Burke as Treasurer/School Business Official for the 2024-2025 school year. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Lewellen, second by Taylor to designate Red Oak Express as the official newspaper for publications for the 2024-2025 school year. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Ward, second by Lewellen to name First Interstate Bank as the district's financial depository and to set depository limit at \$4 million for the 2024-2025 school year. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Lewellen, second by Taylor to designate Ahlers & Cooney as legal counsel for 2024-2025 school year. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Ward, second by Lewellen to set regular school board meetings on the second Wednesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. for the 2024-2025 school year. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Ward, second by Lewellen to appoint the following Directors to committees: McDonald and Tibben on the Technology Committee; Tibben and McDonald on the Finance Committee; Taylor and Ward on the Personnel Committee; and Lewellen and Ward on the Strategic Planning Committee. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Lewellen, second by Ward to appoint Ashley McDonald as the 504/Homeless/Equity Coordinator. Yes: Lewellen, Ward and Taylor. McDonald abstained from the vote. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Ward, second by Lewellen to approve consent agenda of past minutes, reports and bills. All in favor. Motion carried.

Under personnel, the Board approved the hiring of Jonathan Lantz and ShaDae Palmer as part-time evening custodians, and accepted the resignation of Jody Druivenga as HS Volleyball Coach.

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE

Superintendent Gute gave a Strategic Planning Committee update. The Committee met on December 4, 2024, and reviewed the facility assessment. They also toured the school and compiled a list of potential

projects that are not included in the assessment. The next meeting will be on January 6, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. with KPE present.

PRINCIPAL UPDATE

Principal Katie Elwood was absent but distributed a Principal update. She reported on PTSO, Booster Club and student activities. A fundraiser for Teammates selling popcorn was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Lewellen, second by Ward to approve the SBRC Application for Modified Supplemental in the amount of \$86,086 for increased enrollment. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Ward, second by Taylor to approve the Application for Modified Supplemental in the amount of \$38,758 for the At-Risk/Dropout Program. All in favor. Motion carried.

Gute distributed carpet quotes for carpet in the 2nd, 4th and 6th grade classrooms. Quotes received were from Midwest Floor Covering, Inc. in the amount of \$19,488, and from J&A Flooring in the amount of \$19,998.50. Motion by Lewellen, second by Taylor to award carpet bid to local bidder J&A Flooring. All in favor. Motion carried.

Assistant Principal, Jerry Hartman, presented quotes for a two-way radio for the school. Quotes received were from Buy Two Way Radios in the amount of \$3,467.61, and from General Mobile Radio Service Radio in the amount of \$1,487.50. Hartman recommended Two Way Radios because of better security. He stated that these radios have their own frequency. Motion by Ward, second by Lewellen to approve the purchase of radios from Buy Two Way Radios. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Lewellen, second by Taylor to appoint Kassie Houdek and Ryan Hart to the Strategic Planning Committee. All in favor. Motion passed.

Gute distributed School Policies (713) for the first reading, revisions and review.

ADJOURNMENT

President McDonald adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m. The next regular meeting for the Board is set for January 8, 2025, at 5:30 PM in the STEM Room.

John McDonald, President

Stephanie Burke, School Business Official & Board Secretary