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Swanville School Board Minutes, District #486

October 9, 2024

The regular meeting of the Swanville School Board was called to order in the Swanville High School Library at 7:00 pm on October 9, 2024, by President Chris Kircher. Members present were Chris Kircher, Molly Gerads, Luke Peterson, Kyle Thieschafer and Bill Johnson. Absent was Kathy Beckman. Also present were Superintendent Travis Hensch, Principal Sheryl Johnson, Deb Sieben and visitors Chris Gilyard, Maria Ervasti and Karl Nohner.

Maria Ervasti and Karl Nohner (with Sourcewell) presented on Career Pathways and the YST Agriculture Grant. Sourcewell is working with administration on an Ag Career pathway and potentially Construction or Manufacturing pathways to offer to Swanville students.

Molly Gerads made a motion to amend the Agenda for the meeting to add 9.2, 9.3 & 9.4 under New Business. Seconded by Luke Peterson. Motion carried.

Luke Peterson made a motion to approve the School Board Minutes from the September 18 regular school board meeting & October 3 special meeting. Seconded by Kyle Thieschafer. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Molly Gerads made a motion to accept the resignation of Hannah Thieschafer, Administrative Assistant effective 11/1. Seconded by Bill Johnson. Motion carried.

BILLS TO BE ALLOWED

Bill Johnson made a motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$368,867.11. Seconded by Luke Peterson. Motion carried.

Kyle Thieschafer made a motion to approve the electronic transfers for payroll of \$56,763.82 on October 5, 2024, and \$105,791.13 on September 20, 2024. Seconded by Bill Johnson. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill Johnson made a motion to Approve the calling for bids for Snow Removal/Plowing. Seconded by Molly Gerads. Motion carried.

Molly Gerads made a motion calling for establishment of a combined polling place for any special elections in 2025 to be the Swanville Fire Hall from 12pm-8pm CST. Seconded by Bill Johnson. Roll Call Vote with all in favor, motion carried.

Bill Johnson made a motion to approve the District Volunteer Policy. Seconded by Kyle Thieschafer. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Sheryl Johnson presented the Principal Report.

- enrollment is up 1 student since September.
- The American Legion Auxiliary will be providing flags to any classrooms that do not have one & providing books to some elementary grades. They will also be doing short presentations along with some veterans on Tuesday November 12th.
- Conversations on an FFA Chapter at Swanville are underway.
- Elementary has already met their first PBIS goal.
- Lastly, Students of the Month & Stars of Honor were recognized.

Activities Director Report

October Athletes of the Month were recognized.

-Lily Peterson reached 2 milestones in volleyball within the last week, 1000 kills and 1000 digs!

-Congratulations to our volleyball team for winning the Prairie Conference with an undefeated conference record.

Superintendent Announcements

Travis Hensch provided updates on the SiteLogIQ IAQ project happening in the building. We are in the final stages of completion of the project. Travis provided a Solar Field Financial update - the solar field is saving on average \$350-\$400 a month on electricity for the school. The District Audit is October 14-16, 2024.

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

Chris Kircher made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:21pm. Seconded by Molly Gerads. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Next School Board meeting is November 13, 2024, 7pm in the High School Library.

Respectfully Submitted,

Molly Gerads

Swanville School Board Clerk