**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF OAKFIELD**

**OAKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**Monday—September 9, 2013**

* President Kottke called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
* Roll Call
	+ Members: P. Kottke, P. Dercks, M. Murphy-Steinke, E. Kraft, R. Panzer, A. Patterson, Absent: J. Nyhuis
	+ Staff: B. Witt, B. Doyle, J. Hungerford, K. McCarty, H. Collien, H. Baugnet, J. Schmidt, B. Mohr, Terri Belanger, J. Ogle, G. Perry, S. O’Malley
	+ Community: B. Deer, S. Laning, L. Sheahan, K. Kilmer, J. Holz
* Public Input – None
* President Kottke reviewed the updated financial report
* Mr. Panzer, seconded by Mr. Kraft, moved to approve the warrants through September 9, 2013. Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.
* Mr. Perry shared with the Board how he is bringing engineering into his curriculum instead of just shop. Mr. Perry is in training at MSOE for this engineering program called Project Lead the Way. The program will bring students up to the 21st Century skills. As a Tech Ed teacher it is my job to prepare students for a two year and four year programs since we do not know which direction each student will go. Mr. Perry shared a new program that we could use to start with the eighth grade for this year and down to the sixth grade next year. This will give our students more options with their futures. Mr. Panzer, seconded by President Kottke, moved to approve up to $12,500 for technology to begin the Project Lead the Way program. Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.
* The Board was presented the final draft of the Policy Manual. Two policies were pulled until we complete them with current information. Policy # 3420 – Health Insurance Benefit and #8510 Wellness. Mrs. Patterson, seconded by Mr. Panzer, moved to approve the final draft of the policy manual with eliminating the two policies as presented. Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.
* New Hire: Karen Schlichter, Ag, Pamela Ashford, Part Time Math, Samantha Smith and Ashley Gable, Childcare. Mrs. Patterson, seconded by Mr. Panzer, moved to approve the new hires as presented. Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.
* President Kottke, seconded by Mr. Panzer, moved to approve the foreign exchange student lunches. Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.
* Principal Doyle and Principal Witt reviewed their extra-curricular cuts along with some that they are still investigating. Mrs. Patterson, seconded by Mr. Kraft, moved to accept the extra-curricular positions except those that are under investigation. Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent
* Mr. Witt shared with the Board that the International Club would like to plan a trip to Costa Rica again in June of 2014. They would like to start with their planning and fundraising. Mr. Panzer, seconded by Mr. Kraft, moved to approve the International Club Costa Rica Trip as presented. Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.
* Discussion took place on the upcoming referendum. Areas discussed were what kind of presentations they would like to do and other ways to distribute the information. Ideas are testimonies from students, newspaper, orientations, and a survey.
* Oaks Community Chat – Community discussion took place with questions regarding our childcare and the classrooms being used for them. The Board shared how our childcare is growing and how important they are to our district. Every decision made with our school and childcare programs are thought out with what is best for our children. Other questions were how many school districts have a childcare and how much of our referendum is going to the childcare? Our referendum is for operations and that is the only thing we can use that money for and there are other school districts with a childcare program. The chat ended discussing the middle school transition and staff met with the sixth graders to help them with the transition between classes. The school year is off to a good start.
* Meetings

 **Next school board meeting, Wednesday, September 25, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. - Oakfield Elementary School.**

* Mr. Dercks, seconded by Mrs. Patterson, moved to adjourn at 7:16 p.m. Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jackie Hungerford, School Board Secretary