Regular Board of Education Meeting

Tri-County School District 2358

February 15, 2011, 7:00 p.m. Staff Work Room

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Wikstrom at 7:00 p.m. and a quorum was determined. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Burkel, Koland, Murray, Sollund, Swenson, Chair Wikstrom, Superintendent Ruud and Principal Sorgaard were present.

WE ARE PROUD OF ...

- 2nd quarter results show that 50 students met their goals in Accelerated Reading, 94 students are in the 25 to 250 point club and 7 students have read over one million words. So far this year 48,460,889 words have been read and 2,791 quizzes have been taken.
- We are proud of the following Spelling Bee contestants:

Grade 5- Sarah Budziszewski, Brayden Fossell

Grade 6- Naomi Budziszewski, Adam Thompson, Bryce Wadholm

Grade 7- Josie Nobles, Kenzie Thompson, Taylor Rux

Grade 8- Kourtney Juhl, Kaylee Juhl

They participated in the Tri-County Spelling Bee on Thursday, Jan. 27, 2011

Winner was: Josie Nobles with the word - whisperer

Second place was: Adam Thompson

I am very proud of all the students who participated in the Spelling Bee. They did a great job!! (We felt the words were very difficult right from the beginning this year!!!!)

Josie will represent Tri-County at the Regional Spelling Bee in TRF on Feb. 25, 2011

- We are proud of the students and staff for doing an awesome job raising \$2,657.93 through the Pennies for Patients campaign for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. The school and community really come together to make this happen. The generosity of our students is amazing! Good job everyone!
- We are proud of Todd Dufault for coming to school and telling all the students about his battle with leukemia. He is an inspiration. Todd is this year's Honored Hero for Tri-County's Pennies for Patients campaign.
- Through a Snow Study Project the Environmental Science class is doing the recordings and gathering the data. It's a great way to get the kids involved and work with the state and national scientists for the flood forecasting of the Red River. We take all the same readings and put them into the web site. This morning the frost depth was 17 inches. We found an average of 9.5 inches of snow that melted into 2.2 inches of water.
- We are proud of the Tri-County Brilliant Bricks LEGO robotics team who participated in the High Plains Robotics Tournament on Saturday, February 5th. They struggled through great adversity and had to do some re-designing and re-programming of their robot right during the tournament. They could have chosen to give up and had a poor robot performance, but instead, they rose to the challenge. Every free minute they had, they were trying different solutions and programming them into their robot. Because of their perseverance, they ended up getting either 5th or 6th place on the robot performance score.

The team won 1st place in the Robot Design category, which includes the use of sensors, original design elements, and robust programming. Team members include: 8th grade--Michael Thompson(4 year member), 7th grade--Taylor Rux(2 year member), 6th grade--Adam Thompson, Naomi Budziszewski, Bryce Wadholm(all 2 year members), Maxine Regalado(new member), 5th grade--Sarah Budziszewski(new member). The team spent about 100 hours on practice this year.

Member Swenson moved, Member Burkel seconded to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2011 Reorganizational and Regular meeting. **UC**

Member Burkel moved, Member Wikstrom seconded to authorize payment for claims in the following funds: **UC**

| | Last Year | <u>This Year</u> |
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| GENERAL | \$63,929.53 | \$110,575.16 |
| FOOD SERVICE | 7,718.97 | 7,728.30 |
| COMMUNITY SERVICE | 4.50 | 17.84 |
| Building Construction | | <u>32,732.00</u> |
| TOTAL | \$71,653.00 | \$151,053.30 |

Visitors: Todd Dalzell & Trevor Speidel of Johnson Controls – update on school project & Janna Hjelseth

Member Swenson moved, Member Burkel seconded to approve the agenda as presented. UC

Member Burkel moved, Member Sollund seconded to adopt the calendar for the 2011-12 school year. The details are on file in the superintendent's office. (Option 3) **UC**

The board approved the use of school facilities for the After Prom Party.

Principal Sorgaard reported on the following: Advisory Committee Meeting; Pennies for Patients; Arts, Athletics & Academics winner is Larissa Krantz; Spelling Bee Winner is Josie Nobles; Read Across America is March 2; Preparation Underway for MCA-II Testing; Next Year's Registration & Scheduling; & Extra Curricular

Superintendent Ruud reported on the following: Title I Audit; Special Ed.; Negotiations; Reductions; PMA Financial Proposal

| Board Report: NWRIC: Member Burkel was elected Clerk/Treasurer at the regorganizational meeting. |
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| Member Koland moved, Member Burkel seconded to adjourn. UC |
| Respectfully submitted by James Sollund, Clerk |

Next Meeting: March 15 at 7:00 p.m.