

The Roland-Story School Board held a regular meeting on Monday, October 9, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room in Story City.

Members Present: Michaela Carlson, Marc Soderstrum, Tammy Hansen, and Doug Dodgen  
Members Absent: Mike Retallick

President Soderstrum welcomed those in attendance.

Hansen moved to approve the agenda Dodgen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Sarah Cohen, Roland-Story Site Supervisor for Kid's Club, presented the board with overview of the before and after school program offered through Youth and Shelter Services. There are approximately twenty-two student taking advantage of this program on a daily basis.

Principal reports were given by Mrs. Hartzler, Mr. Town, and Mr. Schlatter.

Dodgen moved to approve the consent agenda which included the September 18 board minutes, bills, and financial reports. Carlson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Schwartz, Russ Zimmerman, and Joel Bartlett, all representatives of Baker Group, gave the board an update on the HVAC project for the middle and high school. The board was presented with a variety of options. After some discussion the board narrowed the scope of the offerings to those items prioritized by the bond issue, such as controls and a number of new roof top units in both buildings. They did ask that in the bid process the cooling units for the middle school and high school gyms be included as alternates.

Nathan Compton, Haila Architecture, presented the board with updated visuals showing what a new Athletic Complex would look like if a bond vote passes in February.

Carlson moved to approve the \$15,000 estimate from Impact 7G for asbestos removal at the elementary school. Hansen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Hansen introduced the resolution ordering a special election on the issuance of \$5,300,000 general obligation school bonds. Dodgen seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Hansen – Aye, Dodgen – Aye, Carlson – Aye, and Soderstrum – Aye. Motion carried.

Dodgen moved to approve the early graduation requests for Johnson, Abele, and Stephens pending successful completion of the graduation requirements. Carlson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Carlson moved to approve the employee early retirement incentive for the 2017-2018 and the 2018-2019 school years. Hansen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Hansen moved to approve the request of \$12,750.42 modified allowable growth for limited English proficiency allowable costs. Dodgen seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Hansen – Aye, Dodgen – Aye, Carlson – Aye, and Soderstrum – Aye. Motion carried 4-0.

Dodgen moved to approve the names presented to serve on the School Improvement Advisory Committee for the 2017-2018 school year. Carlson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Carlson moved to approve participation in the Iowa Drug and Alcohol Testing Program for 2017-2018. Hansen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Patton presented the board with an estimate on the certified enrollment count. Final numbers will not be available until after October 15, 2017. It appears that the district may be down a few students this year for the first time in six years.

Superintendent Patton and the board discussed the 2018-2019 school calendar. After some discussion it was decided that a calendar would be established with the start date being Monday, August 27, 2018, rather than August 23, which is the earliest day allowed by Iowa code. This will allow contractors a few extra days to complete the elementary project.

Hansen moved to approve the following open enrollments in for 2017-2018: Mills children – Grade 2, Grade 4, Grade 6, and Grade 7 from Nevada; and Young – Grade 5 and Grade 8 from Ames, plus Hatton Grade 10 also from Ames. Dodgen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

President Soderstrum adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Marc Soderstrum  
Board President

Candi Holm  
Board Secretary