

EUREKA and BOWDLE SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Cooperative Board Meeting

October 25, 2018

A special meeting of the Eureka and Bowdle Board of Education members was called to order by Bowdle's Board Chairman Bieber at 6:30 p.m. on October 25, 2018 in the Bowdle School Studyhall with the following members present: Eureka Board members Kappes, Opp, and Wolff, Superintendent Henry Eggert, Business Manager Tonya Maier, and Dean of Students Billotto. Members absent were Popowski and Eberhart. Bowdle board members Bieber, Oxner, Frickson, Stotz, Schlechter, Superintendent Hector Serna and Business Manager Carolynn Nelson. Also present were Derrick Walz, John Huber, Nick Weismantel, Dale Batie, and Brad Johnson.

Board President Bieber asked if there were any additional items or changes to the agenda. None were added. Motion by Stotz and seconded by Wolff to adopt the agenda as presented. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Introductions were made.

Supt. Eggert explained the SDHSAA proposed 6-man football plan. Pros and cons for going to 6-man football format were discussed. Travel time and distance for daily practice would be reduced as well as fuel costs. Game travel could be farther depending on how many other schools choose to participate in 6-man football. Mr. Johnson stated that he has traveled 12000 miles in the past 2 years just for practice. Other pros were more home games and hopefully more students would participate. It is always an option to change back to 9-man football if the numbers go back up. It was noted that there are more positives for the change to 6-man football than negatives.

Motion by Schlechter and second by Opp to agree to look into the 6-man football format and to start the paper work with the State to start the application process. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Schlechter and seconded by Wolff to be part of the YTC/LRC conferences combining for Wrestling, Track, Golf and Cross Country. All voted aye. Motion carried.

4th and 5th grade basketball was discussed. The program is currently maintained by the school district. It was noted that all other schools in the YMCA basketball program are not school related and parents are responsible for participation. Contracts for the current year have already been signed and board approved so no changes could be made for the 2018-19 school year. More input will be gathered and the topic was tabled until the spring 2019 Eureka/Bowdle Co-op meeting.

Motion by Oxner and seconded by Wolff to adjourn at 7:05. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Carie Kappes, Eureka Chairman and Joell Bieber, Bowdle Chairman

ATTEST: Tonya Maier, Eureka Business Mgr; Carolynn Nelson Bowdle Business Mgr.