SPARTA AREA SCHOOLS
March 25, 2019
Board of Education Offices

Regular
Board Meeting
6:30 p.m.

Members present: Jensen, Dame, VanStrien, May, Alster, Kerby, Eluskie, Bush

Members absent: None

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS:

A. Audience Comments: KISD BOE candidate Eric-John Szczepaniak addressed the board, outlining his experience, and asking us to vote for him.

B. Board Communications:

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

A. Review of school cell phone policy: Spencer, Wood and Ramsey outlined, supported, and responded to BOE questions about the the cell phone policies for their buildings.
   a. The BOE agreed the individual policies appeared sound and agreed these should be continuously reviewed due to technology changes.

B. Sinking Fund: Bush provided a sample informational brochure, outlining the Sinking Fund ballot proposal, which will be sent to the public with the April Bell Ringer.
   a. BOE comments were made as to a high number of absentee ballots being submitted already.
   b. Bush indicated that he was scheduled to attend and would attend any meetings in which he could present and discuss this issue with Sparta residence.

C. Teacher and Sub shortage: Discussion about the current declines in the teaching field and related sub shortages, and EDUstaff's roll in this issue.
   a. Bush presented an EDUstaff video, outlining their approach to this issue.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Alster, supported by Dame , to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 p.m.

Motion carried 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Alster

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Board of Education Secretary