

Arcadia Board of Education
Special Meeting
August 20, 2019

A special meeting was called to order by President Trotter at 7:01 pm. Verified the meeting was in compliance with the Open Meeting Law LB 898. Present were Mr. Williams, Mr. Trampe, and Board Members: Dorsey, Greenland, Hurlburt, Meyer, Trotter, and Veskerna.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Hurlburt and seconded by Dorsey to approve the Agenda as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: Dorsey, Greenland, Hurlburt, Meyer, Trotter, and Veskerna. Motion carried.

Recognition of Guests:

Public comments regarding the ALC Cooperative Sponsorship were received.

No action was taken by the Board, but further discussion was held.

The Arcadia Board will propose the following changes back to the Loup City Board.

1. **All Varsity and JV basketball games will be held in Loup City** – The activities directors from both schools should determine the appropriate site of the home games bearing in mind seating capacity needs. For example, games that are just girls or just boys games (theoretically attendance would be less) would be played in Arcadia, or games against opponents who have traditionally not traveled well played at Arcadia;
2. **The small gym at Arcadia will not be used for cooperative activities or practices** – We believe the small gym could be continued to be available for basketball use for drills (e.g., ball handling, passing, shooting, defensive stance/movement) or conditioning. We agree that it should not be used for games or live scrimmages or scrimmage-like drills;
3. **When the percentage of students from one of the schools participating in a cooperative activity drops below 25%, all practices for that activity will be held in the school providing the larger percentage of students** – As Arcadia is the smaller school this places us at a disadvantage from the beginning. We recognize that few, if any, parents from either district want their children on the roads any more than necessary, and by using a three-gym rotation for basketball practices, two-thirds of the practices will already be in Loup City. What will happen if at the junior high level, and for both high school basketball teams a school drops below the 25% threshold? If this is adopted, it will mean increased transportation costs for the smaller school, thus, we believe the large school should help offset the increased costs through a method yet to be determined;
4. **Loup City will agree to contribute 70% of the funds for the cooperative** – We believe if the cooperative agreement stays as is, we are willing to continue to pay for 50% of the coop costs. If there are changes, we would want to look at different funding alternatives for the entire coop, not just for the already mentioned potential increase in transportation costs.

Motion by Dorsey and seconded by Veskerna to adjourn at 8:42 pm. Roll call vote: Ayes: Dorsey, Greenland, Hurlburt, Meyer, Trotter, and Veskerna. Motion carried.

Jolene Greenland, Secretary