BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Monday, April 18, 2022 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President, Denise McBride. Present: Denise McBride, Rod Cole, Tom Gross, Ron Neyer, Erin Ludwig, and Bob Pasch. Curt Gottschalk was absent.

 The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

 Bob Pasch read the Board’s Belief Statement.

 Motion by Ron Neyer seconded by Tom Gross to approve the agenda with no additions or deletions. Motion carried 6/0.

 Denise McBride welcomed fellow guests: Stacie Pratt, Veena Cole, Tracy Kauppi, the Gadget Agents (High School Robotics Team) along with their advisors and parents.

Secondary Presentation was given by Hs Robotics regarding their success in this year’s season. The team was extremely successful being that they were such a new team, ranking 137th out of 459 total teams in the state. The team was so successful that they didn’t have a single mechanical issue with their robot at the state tournament and even helped another team that was lacking members get their robot up and running in their “down” time. The board echoed how proud the school is of the team and its volunteers and look forward to next year’s season.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Tom Gross to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 21, 2022. Motion carried 6/0.

Bill Chilman presented the Board with the following correspondence: Educational Magazines, CTE Millage Renewal which he highlighted the importance of, and March Aggie Express, Set Seg Insurance annual reports, job postings, Ad Staff agenda and minutes. Bill highlighted that according to US News and World Report we were 1st in our county, top 9% in the state, and top 19% in the nation. All of his correspondence was included in his board update.

Tom Gross reported for the District School Improvement Committee. They were given a quick budget update. Dan Boyer and Jason Johnston gave ESIT & SSIT updates. SSIT talked about their Clean Up day happening on 4/22. ESIT discussed a math interventionist for the 22-23 school year. The mileage club has also been a huge success for the elementary students. Title: Final assessments for the year are seeing some good growth within the kindergarten class, especially in their writing skills. This is a huge success. Personnel: Probationary/Tenure Teachers Recommendations and Negotiations.

Rod Freeze reported that he is keeping up with the school financial changes that seems to be ever changing. Seems that the 435 bill will pass, but not all line items will. Rod, Carrie, and Missy will be doing Execu-Time Clock training this week which is essentially taking over our Time Clock system and merging with Munis (accounting and payroll software). Hopefully this will be a smooth transition and this is to hopefully take place this Friday and upcoming Monday.

Dan Boyer discussed the Cleanup day scheduled for April 22nd where grades 9-12 will clean up Beal City from 9:00-12:00. Thank you to Sarah Doyle and her leadership with the Key Club in this. Lots of upcoming events: Prom being held April 23rd at the Little Flower Barn in Lake Isabella and Graduation will be May 26th at 7:00pm.

Jason Johnston stated he was very pleased with how well the wellness initiative was going. Considering the weather, he has 17 students with over 10 miles in already, and 62 students with over 5 miles in already! Jake is looking to get a Math Interventionist in to work with the students this fall to help improve Math scores. The RESD will implement a math trainer and all teacher PD days will hopefully be focused on this.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Ron Neyer to approve the March 2022 payments of the bills as presented in detail in the board packet: General Fund payments of $828,981.85, Payroll Account payments of $0, Hot Lunch payments of $15,991.88, Student Activity Account payments of $17,881.44, Athletic Fund payments of $11,224.25, Arbiter Sports payments of $2,454.34, Capital Projects payments of $0, and Capital Projects 2021 Checking of $45,131.83. Motion carried 6/0.

Bill Chilman reported on the Bond Project. Rooms were worked on over Spring Break and were successfully moved by the time teachers and students returned. Stated that carpet will be finished hopefully later this week due to the contractor’s equipment being down. We are currently waiting to hear back on when we can get working on the sewer project. Bill stated how spreading our bond project out over a 2-year span was a smart approach. Overall the project is going very well.

Rod Freeze reported that they have received a total of 8 applications so far for BCEF scholarship. Rod stated that Sara Millerov will be pushing for more students to be applying for local scholarships in the near future however and expects that more students to be applying in the near future.

Bill reminded the Board that Erin’s, Rod’s and Ron’s seats are up for election this fall. Members are able to go to the county clerk’s office and fill out paperwork. Please have paperwork returned by July 26th at 4:00.

Bill discussed that he has sent out the 21-22 superintendent goals to the board. He will complete his self-assessment and send that out to the board for the review in May. His final evaluation will be in June.

Motion by Rod Cole supported by Erin Ludwig to approve the following probationary and tenure teaching recommendations for the 2022-2023 school year: Probationary- Elementary- Amanda Schmidt- completing 4th year and approved for 5th year, Shelby Weber-completing 4th year and approved for 5th year, Brooke Bowlby-completing 1st year and approved for 2nd year. Secondary-James Tice-completing 4th year and approved for 5th year, Griffin Bohannon- completing 3rd year and approved for 4th year, Emily Socola-completing 1st year and approved for 2nd year, Susi Westlake- completing 1st year approved for 2nd year, Tyler Russell- completing 1st year and approved for 2nd year. Tenure-Secondary-Alsatia Lohr-completing her 5th year and is being recommended for Tenure.

Motion by Rod Cole and supported by Tom Gross to approve the request for retirement of Brigitte Zuker as presented.

NEOLA Spring Policy Updates were sent out to the board. Bill requested that the board review them. All information they should need to login should be in their emails.

Tribal Grants were submitted successfully and we should hopefully hear back by mid-May. We had a lot of very well thought out requests this year. We want to thank the teachers for taking their time and submitting these grants. This money does so much for our school.

The staff appreciation Cookout was discussed and a decided on. A date of June 8th in the afternoon was decided as it is a half day.

Graduation is set for May 26th for 7:00 pm. Black and Navy were requested to be worn at graduation for the board members.

Motion by Ron Neyer, seconded by Rod Cole to go into Executive Session under Open Meetings Act Article 8C – Negotiations. Motion carried 6/0.

Motion by Ron Neyer, seconded by Erin Ludwig to come out of Executive Session at 8:08 p.m.

Motion by Ron Neyer, seconded by Tom Gross to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Roll call. Motion carried 6/0.

Recording Secretary

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Denise McBride, President

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Curt Gottschalk, Secretary