

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, April 11, 2016 7:00 PM
Palmer Schools, Conference Room
202 Commercial Street
Palmer, NE 68864

Attendance Taken at 7:00 PM.

Jennifer Kunze: Present
Barb Larson: Present
Dana Samuelson: Present
Todd Weller: Present
Ashley Wissing: Present
Kathy Wolfe: Present

1. Call to Order

Motion to call meeting to order passed with a motion by Jennifer Kunze and a second by Dana Samuelson.

Jennifer Kunze: Yea, Barb Larson: Yea, Dana Samuelson: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Ashley Wissing: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

1.1. Declaration of Legal Meeting

1.2. Open meetings law is posted in Board Room

1.3. Notice of Public Meeting, Posted

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda passed with a motion by Barb Larson and a second by Ashley Wissing.

Jennifer Kunze: Yea, Barb Larson: Yea, Dana Samuelson: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Ashley Wissing: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

3. Approve minutes of previous board meeting(s) (corrections to minutes as presented)

Motion to approve previous minutes passed with a motion by Todd Weller and a second by Barb Larson.

Jennifer Kunze: Yea, Barb Larson: Yea, Dana Samuelson: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Ashley Wissing: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

4. Welcome Visitors and Guests

Becky Meyer - Miss Hester and I presenting at NETA next Friday on apps and websites in primary classrooms Nathan Glause - going well and too fast; Media class is attempting to get activity interviews done Cindy Doggett (NWEA-MAP assesment report) - Reading and Math - growth from fall to spring; summer school aligns with testing results - work on deficient areas;

5. Reports

5.1. Treasurer's Report

Motion to approve Treasurer's report passed with a motion by Todd Weller and a second by Barb Larson.

Jennifer Kunze: Yea, Barb Larson: Yea, Dana Samuelson: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Ashley

Wissing: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

5.2. Property Tax Report

5.3. Principals' Reports

Wegner - Calendars attached for remainder of activities for year; senior grad progress; weight rm improvements update - 2nd quote received but not reviewed - Merrick Foundation app started; random drug testing - thoughts on implementing/is there a need?; extra-curricular vs co-curricular eligibility; transgender bill passed (not gender at birth) Loeffelbein - lang arts curriculum (Reading Street selected); Kindergarten and Pre-K Round-Up is Fri, Apr 15; Kind Cafe (first week of May); 5/6 Elem Science Fair/Awards/Track Meet and Jr Law Cadet possible

5.4. Superintendent's Report

Dr Bohlken - teacher contracts for 2016-17 have all been returned; Cindy, Sherise, and I attended a training session on the NWEA MAP testing; attended another Housing Advisory Committee meeting - need for more housing in Palmer; no incident at prom; Chief final payment agreed on - paid less than was bid; "Do well on the NeSA" pep rally at last House day; white laptops are at the end of their useful life; Endowment Fund Committee approved \$3,012 in funding; Brad Reimers has removed dead trees; Upcoming Events

6. Claims

6.1. General Fund

Motion to approve claims passed with a motion by Todd Weller and a second by Ashley Wissing.

Jennifer Kunze: Yea, Barb Larson: Yea, Dana Samuelson: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Ashley

Wissing: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

6.2. Other Funds

Motion to approve Special Building claim to Chief Construction for \$13984.77 (final payment) passed with a motion by Todd Weller and a second by Barb Larson.

Jennifer Kunze: Yea, Barb Larson: Yea, Dana Samuelson: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Ashley

Wissing: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7. Public Input and Communication

Vicki Simonson - board mtg was not handled well, board members were silent and seemed to utilize phones/ipads to text or communicate, hiring another person when someone on staff already from community and knows school and students; buying out teachers and not listening to patrons and staff is going in the wrong direction Carol Wegner - tax payer that doesn't see the need for extra money spent on new principal position; lack of respect for staff; ramifications of others as well with adding a full-time; supt not receiving extra pay for principal job but not taking a pay cut when hiring new staff; buying out tenured teachers is not a common practice;

reputation proceeds; showing all teachers are dispensable; stream line budget instead of expanding - what happens when tax money is lessened; questioning judgement

8. Items of Business

8.1. Consider, discuss, take necessary action on option in requests

Motion to approve option in requests passed with a motion by Ashley Wissing and a second by Barb Larson.

Jennifer Kunze: Yea, Barb Larson: Yea, Dana Samuelson: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Ashley Wissing: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

8.2. Consider, discuss, take necessary action on language arts curriculum

Motion to approve Reading Street language arts curriculum passed with a motion by Barb Larson and a second by Ashley Wissing.

Jennifer Kunze: Yea, Barb Larson: Yea, Dana Samuelson: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Ashley Wissing: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

8.3. Consider, discuss, take necessary action on math standards

Motion to adopt updated state standards in math passed with a motion by Jennifer Kunze and a second by Dana Samuelson.

Jennifer Kunze: Yea, Barb Larson: Yea, Dana Samuelson: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Ashley Wissing: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

8.4. Consider, discuss, take necessary action on mission statement

Motion to approve revised mission statement passed with a motion by Barb Larson and a second by Ashley Wissing.

Jennifer Kunze: Yea, Barb Larson: Yea, Dana Samuelson: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Ashley Wissing: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

8.5. Consider, discuss, take necessary action on secondary principal/curriculum coordinator

Motion to table the secondary principal/curriculum coordinator passed with a motion by Barb Larson and a second by Todd Weller.

Jennifer Kunze: Yea, Barb Larson: Yea, Dana Samuelson: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Ashley Wissing: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

9. Pending or Future Agenda Items

9.1. Discuss extra duty assignments

9.2. Designate person to conduct district census

9.3. Offer classified employees' contracts

9.4. Program/Grade Capacity Resolution for ensuing year

9.5. Annual review of facilities

9.6. Annual review of extra-curricular program

9.7. Master schedule/curriculum offerings

9.8. DIBELS assessment report

10. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. passed with a motion by Dana Samuelson and a second by Jennifer Kunze.

Jennifer Kunze: Yea, Barb Larson: Yea, Dana Samuelson: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Ashley Wissing: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Board President

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