

Monday, April 14, 2014

The Pierce Public Schools Board of Education met for their regular board meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Elementary School library. Members present were Dave Lienemann, Jacque Collison, Ted Krienke, Dan Unseld, Kent Hanlin, and Robert Hoffmann. Also present were Superintendent Kendall Steffensen, High School Principal Mark Brahmer, Assistant Principal/Activities Director Johnnie Ostermeyer, and twelve guests.

A welcome was extended to the guests and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mr. Steffensen had a copy of the Open Meetings Act if anyone wanted to examine it. There was no public correspondence.

Unseld moved and Lienemann seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda of minutes of the previous meeting, claims and payments of bills, and financial reports. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

The Elementary Student Council report by Dillon Svoboda and Logan Moeller was about Pennies for Patients campaign, saving pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House, and Funky Friday pajama day.

The High School Student Council report by Miles Sudbeck and Kiersten Wragge was about the food pantry donations, teacher appreciation week, Hershey kisses for seniors, spring picnic, and officer elections.

The FCCLA report by Sydney Acklie and Heather Aschoff included officer elections, a fundraiser for a Holocaust survivor speaker, State Leadership Conference, annual banquet, and an auction for charity.

The FFA report by Bailey Tinker was about the annual banquet, 25 members attending the State FFA Convention with state officer interview, a proficiency second place, a bronze speech, a purple ribbon in judging, and Michael Fleer, Raymond Fleer, Tyler Tinker, and Kristen Albrecht receiving their state degree.

The High School Principal's report by Mr. Brahmer included summer school, third quarter failures, walk-through evaluations, state tests, teacher assignments, Advance-Ed external visit, and prom.

Mr. Ostermeyer's Activities report was about winter awards, state speech, all-school play, band and choir, FFA and FCCLA conventions, track and golf, staffing, academic team, and conference awards.

Mr. Steffensen gave the Elementary Principal's report for an ailing Mr. Patrick. He talked about kindergarten and pre-school registrations, honor roll, field trips, tests, spring concert, PATS activities, field day at the track, pre-school graduation, and "donuts with dames".

The Superintendent's report included replacing an air conditioner compressor for \$44,000 and legislative updates. LB 725 introduced by Senator Sullivan adjusted the state aid formula so that instead of losing approximately \$853,000 in state aid next year, we will only lose approximately \$160,000.

The discussion item was scheduling a Board of Education/Administration retreat for tentatively a June date.

Mr. Steffensen gave a PowerPoint presentation as an overview for the Advance Ed external visit. Collison moved and Unseld seconded a motion to accept the Advance Ed visitation report. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

Mr. Steffensen gave the Board members copies of the annual safety report. He suggested giving priority to replacing locksets and updating surveillance cameras. Lienemann moved and Unseld seconded a motion to accept the annual safety report. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

Professional growth opportunities were discussed along with topics for next month's agenda.

Collison moved and Lienemann seconded a motion to adjourn. Voting unanimous, meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be at the High School Conference Room at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, May 12, 2014. These meetings are open to the public. A current agenda is available in the Superintendent's office at the High School.

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