Monday, July 8, 2013

The Pierce Public Schools Board of Education met for their regular board meeting on July 8, 2013. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in the High School conference room. Board members present were Dave Lienemann, Dan Unseld, Jacque Collison, Robert Hoffmann, Kent Hanlin, and Ted Krienke. Also present were Superintendent Kendall Steffensen, High School Principal Mark Brahmer, Elementary Principal Adam Patrick and 8 guests.

President Krienke extended a welcome to the public and pointed out the Open Meetings Act. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Max Unseld talked during the public correspondence period about the dust and traffic on the road by the school property.

A motion was made by Collison and seconded by Unseld to accept the consent agenda of minutes of the previous meeting and retreat, claims and payments of bills, and financial reports. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

Mr. Brahmer reported about handbook adjustments, real world seminar for juniors and seniors, senior privileges, senior pranks, seventh grade and new student orientation, PHS scholarship golf tourney, start of fall practices, start of the school year, and teacher workdays.

Mr. Patrick reported that the handbook for the elementary school is unchanged from last year.

Mr. Steffensen reported on lawsuit depositions, the end of year reports, summer projects, and Obamacare being pushed back.

Discussion Items:

BOE/Administration retreat overview was discussed. It was decided to have Harding/Schultz provide a policy service instead of reviewing and updating policy piecemeal. Mr. Steffensen also led a discussion on the budget, levy, and state aid. Action Items:

Collison moved and Lienemann seconded a motion to accept the milk bid from Robert's Dairy. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

Hoffmann moved and Unseld seconded a motion to accept the census report compiled by Mrs. Dostal. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

Unseld moved and Lienemann seconded a motion to approve changes to the 2013/14 handbooks. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

Lienemann moved and Unseld seconded a motion to increase student lunch prices by forty cents per meal for 2013/14. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

Collison moved and Hoffmann seconded a motion that Policy 604.4 Multicultural Education has been reviewed for 2013/14. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

Collison moved and Hoffmann seconded a motion that Policy 1005.3 Parent Involvement in the School has been reviewed for 2013/14. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

Collison moved and Unseld seconded a motion to go into executive session to discuss non-certified staff compensation, administrator compensation, and the superintendent evaluation. Voting unanimous, motion carried. Time was 7:26 p.m. Lienemann moved to go out of executive session at 9:06 p.m.

Unseld moved and Hanlin seconded a motion to table administrator compensation until the next meeting. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

Collison moved and Hanlin seconded a motion to increase non-certified staff salaries by four percent. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

Collison moved and Unseld seconded a motion to approve the superintendent's evaluation. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

There is a BOE professional growth finance and budget planning workshop in Norfolk on July 18.

Hoffmann moved and Unseld seconded a motion to adjourn. Voting unanimous, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be Monday, August 12, 2013 at the High School conference room at 6:30 p.m. 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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