Monday, March 11, 2013

The Pierce Public Schools Board of Education met for their regular board meeting on March 11, 2013. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the High School conference room. Board members present were Dan Unseld, Ted Krienke, Dave Lienemann, Jacque Collison, and Robert Hoffmann. Kent Hanlin absent. Also present were Superintendent Kendall Steffensen, Activities Director/Assistant Principal Gary Timm, High School Principal Mark Brahmer, Elementary Principal Sharen Luhr, and numerous guests.

President Krienke extended a welcome to the public. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Collison and seconded by Unseld to grant Kent Hanlin an excused absence, and to accept the consent agenda of minutes of the previous meeting, claims and payments of bills, and financial reports. Voting unanimous with Hanlin absent, motion carried.

Robyn Werner gave the student council report of their numerous activities and the progress of the fundraiser for the Children's Miracle Network.

Autumn Baumann and Taylor Aschoff gave the FCCLA report. The chapter sold over 2700 candy grams, twelve members attended the State Peer Retreat, and Alissa Hoffmann and London Sindelar were finalists for State Officer Candidates.

Kristen Albrecht gave the FFA report. She told about district contests, state convention and contests, work-a-day auction, and banquet. Lexy Nuesch will receive her State Degree at the convention.

Mr. Hanlin entered the meeting at 6:08 p.m.

Mrs. Luhr reported for the Elementary School on kindergarten and preschool enrollments, report cards, field trips, after school science camp, and the State Reading and Math Tests.

Mr. Timm gave his report covering spring sports activities, Speech team, school play, FCCLA, FFA, choir, and band.

Mr. Brahmer told about parent-teacher conferences, Teammates mentoring, state science tests, Saxon math and grammar, prom, class registrations, ACT results, students of the week, sportsmanship award, and school improvement steering committee.

Mr. Steffensen reported that Mr. Timm has been selected region 3 Activities Director of the Year. He also gave updates on state aid, our budget balance and cycle, the School Improvement Process, Federal Common Core Standards, upcoming conferences he will be attending, and upcoming visit with our Senator Kate Sullivan. He also stated that we might replace our elementary reading series do to our student's state assessments results at a cost near \$70000.

Action Items:

Collison made a resolution and Lienemann seconded to congratulate the girl's basketball team on winning the 2013 state championship and the students and fans winning the sportsmanship trophy. Voting unanimous, resolution carried.

Collison made a resolution and Unseld seconded to congratulate the FFA, FCCLA, and High School Student Council on their hard work and success in their competitions and projects. Voting unanimous, resolution carried.

Unseld moved and Lienemann seconded to approve the 2013/2014 School calendar. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

Collison made a motion and Unseld seconded to change the regular Board of Education meeting time to 6:30 p.m. Voting was as follows: Unseld-yes, Hanlin-yes, Krienke-no, Lienemann-no, Collison-yes, and Hoffmann-yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Collison and seconded by Unseld to approve the Elementary Principal's contract offered to Adam Patrick. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

Unseld moved and Lienemann seconded to adjourn. Voting unanimous, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be Monday, April 8, 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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