

Monday, April 11, 2016

The Pierce Public Schools Board of Education met for their regular meeting at 6:30pm in the High School Conference Room. Members present were Dan Unseld, Dave Lienemann, Ted Krienke, Ron Woslager, Robert Hoffmann, and Kevin Flesner. Also present were Superintendent Kendall Steffensen, Elementary School Principal Adam Patrick, High School Principal Mark Brahmer and several guests.

A welcome was extended to the public and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The open meetings act was pointed out.

In communication and correspondence from the public Sydney Erickson, a Pierce FCCLA member reported that she received first place in Career Investigation-Jr. division at State FCCLA Star Competition. She is looking for financial assistants to compete at the National FCCLA convention in San Diego this summer.

The Board also heard from Pierce Mayor Shannon Stuchlik that the City of Pierce would be open to discussing the possibility of the district deeding ownership, or signing a long-term lease, to the softball and baseball field property to the city.

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

The High School Student Council report by Bryce Bierman included that March Madness Bracket Fund Raiser has concluded. The Student Council is working on Teacher Appreciation and coed volleyball tournament.

The FCCLA report by Desirea Druyor and Sydney Slater stated that fourteen members and four adults attended the State Leadership conference in Lincoln. The Pierce Chapter was awarded the conference Spirit Award. Five members competed in STAR events with one member to continue on to Nationals in July in San Diego. Their annual road clean-up will be held Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup>.

The FFA report by Dean Fler stated that 27 FFA members attended the State convention in Lincoln. Four teams competed in competition. The members are preparing for their annual banquet and new officers for next year.

The high school report by Mr. Brahmer included that he is completing walk through evaluations of our staff. State tests are being completed in March and April. He has been working on teacher assignments for the 2016-17 school year. The high school has been conduction safety drills and hold a social media safety assembly.

The elementary school report by Mr. Patrick reported at this time 29 students are registered for Kindergarten and 31 are registered for preschool. He reported on the Spring concert and Spring field trips, student testing and assessment are being administered.

Mr. Steffensen's Superintendent report included a thank you to Mark and Lois Fler for their helping our school district secure a Vocational Agriculture teacher. A thank you also to Ron Woslager and FFA Alumni for putting the ball in motion. He also reported on the status of Legislative Bills that may affect

our school. He reported speaking with Doug Johnson and Shannon Stuchlik in regards to the softball and baseball fields.

Discussion items included a Board of Education/Administration Retreat to discuss classified salaries and the 2016-17 budget. The softball and baseball fields will also be discussed. A date of April 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm is agreed for the retreat.

Hoffmann moved and Lienemann seconded a motion to approve the resignation of Esmerelda Martinez. Voting was unanimous, motion carried.

Unsold moved and Woslager seconded a motion to approve the teaching contract of Marika VonSeggeren (Elementary Special Education) Kathleen Brummels (High School Science) Cady Reinke (Junior High Math and Science), and Henry Goeden (High School Vocational Agriculture). Voting was unanimous, motion carried.

Professional growth opportunities were discussed. Topics for the next month's agenda are school improvement report, curriculum report and rate of pay for substitute teachers.

Lienemann moved and Woslager seconded to adjourn. Voting was unanimous, meeting adjourned at 7:19pm

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