

Monday, January 11, 2016

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

Lienemann moved and Unseld seconded a motion to excuse the absence of Kevin Flesner. Voting unanimous with Flesner absent, motion carried.

A welcome was extended to the public and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Election of officers was held. Elected president was Ted Krienke, vice president Dan Unseld, and secretary Kevin Flesner. Ron Woslager was appointed treasurer. The Americanism committee consists of Unseld, Flesner, and Woslager. Certified negotiations committee will be board officers and other committees will be as deemed necessary.

There was no communication from the public.

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

The Elementary Student Council Report by Marlie Kroupa, Kennedy Warneke, and Payten Simmons was about elected officers, member's jobs, recycling, movie nights, and a fundraiser for the Hope Fund. The Hope Fund helps people with cancer.

The High School Student Council Report by Derek Ross and Bryce Bierman included Christmas decorations, the Winter Royalty Dance, and recycling efforts.

The FCCLA Report by Sydney Slater and Ellie Peters was about working on competitive events, running the concession stand at the Speech Meet, and monthly meetings.

The FFA Report by Dean Fleeer included a Friday meeting, livestock judging, working on proficiencies, and scholarship applications.

The e-mailed High School Report by Mr. Brahmer was about the state assessment calendar, start of the semester, having no school on January 14<sup>th</sup> for professional development, lockdown and evacuation practice drills, virtual scholar program, and January activities.

The e-mailed Elementary School Report by Mr. Patrick included school improvement workday for teachers, second semester resuming, teacher workshop in Norfolk, state writing assessment, special breakfast for honor roll students, and preschool and kindergarten registration.

Mr. Steffensen's Superintendent's Report was about the legislative session, activity participation for transgender students, street paving estimates, Legislative Issues Conference, and incumbent filing deadlines. He also wanted to thank Midwest Bank and the Cooper Foundation for a \$4000 grant for the elementary school's One School One Book program.

Discussion Items included a Board of Education/Administration Retreat to plan PPACA {Obama Care} and advertising for the activities director position. The Retreat is planned for Tuesday, January 19, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the high school conference room.

Unsel moved and Woslager seconded a motion to remove one Superintendent evaluation from the June calendar and approve the Annual Board of Education Calendar. Voting unanimous with Flesner absent, motion carried.

Woslager moved and Lienemann seconded a motion to authorize the Superintendent as the local agency representative for state and federal programs. Voting unanimous with Flesner absent, motion carried.

Lienemann moved and Hoffmann seconded a motion to authorize the Superintendent to dispose of unwanted items in an appropriate manner. Voting unanimous with Flesner absent, motion carried.

Hoffmann moved and Unsel seconded a motion to approve up to five applications for the Early Separation Incentive Program for 2016. Voting unanimous with Flesner absent, motion carried.

Lienemann moved and Unsel seconded a motion to go into executive session to discuss negotiations. Voting unanimous with Flesner absent, motion carried. Executive session entered at 7:00 p.m. and ended at 8:01 p.m.

Unsel moved and Lienemann seconded a motion to table the negotiated agreement with the Pierce Education Association. Voting unanimous with Flesner absent, the negotiated agreement was tabled.

Professional growth opportunities were discussed. Topics for next month's agenda include reviewing the school calendar and evaluating the principal's contracts.

Unsel moved and Lienemann seconded a motion to adjourn. Voting unanimous with Flesner absent, meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

The next meeting of the Board of Education will be a Retreat with Administrators on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. The next regular meeting will be Monday, February 8, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the high school conference room. 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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