Monday, February 14, 2022

The Pierce Public School Board of Education met for the regular monthly meeting at 6:30 pm in the board room of Pierce High School. Members present were Ted Krienke, Dan Unseld, Kevin Flesner, Lisa Freeman, and Craig Peters. Motion by Unseld, second by Flesner to excuse Adam Venteicher. Voting unanimous, motion passed. Also present were Superintendent Kendall Steffensen, Elementary Principal Trent Suehl, High School Principal Mark Brahmer, Activities' Director Darren Sindelar, and one guest. Notice of the meeting was printed in the Pierce County Leader and posted on Pierce Public Schools website.

A welcome was extended to the public, the open meetings act pointed out, roll call taken, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

There was no communication or correspondence from the public.

Unseld moved and Freeman seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of the approval of minutes from the previous meeting, minutes from the previous retreat, approval of claims and payment of bills, and financial reports. Voting Unanimous, motion carried.

Alexis Sindelar reported for the student council. Student council completed a 150th grant application, the dodgeball committee met, the March madness committee met, and members spoke with City Council regarding a pickleball court at the current tennis court.

Superintendent Steffensen read a report from FCCLA indicating STAR competition was held in January with two district champions, three runners up, and one third place. Members have been busy completing 2,800 candy grams. Six members will be attending the Peer Education conference in Kearny at the end of the month.

In his report Superintendent Steffensen relayed that stall spacing for the parking lot needs to be a bit larger than first anticipated adding to the cost of the project. The engineer will compile a contract for the original bid along with a change order for the additional materials. An overview was given of education related bills that are working their way through the legislative process.

The first discussion item was an overview of two potential 2022-23 school calendars.

The second discussion item was an executive session to protect the public interest in discussing non-certified compensation. Motion by Unseld, second by Freeman to enter executive session at 7:07 pm. Voting unanimous, motion passed. Executive session ended at 7:28 pm.

For the first action item, Flesner moved and Unseld seconded to extend the principal's contracts for the 2022-23 school year. Voting unanimous, motion passed.

For the second action item, Freeman moved and Unseld seconded to accept the resignations of Tom Edmisten, Rick Adams, Tim Waldner, and Greg Warneke with appreciation. Voting unanimous, motion passed.

For the third action item, Unseld moved and Flesner seconded to approve teaching contracts for Tanner Johnston, Kylie Mosel, Trent Simpson, and Alex Thramer. Voting unanimous, motion passed.

For the fourth action item, Unseld moved and Peters seconded to approve a review of policy sections 1,000, 2,000, and 3,000. Voting unanimous, motion passed.

Superintendent Steffensen spoke of the Board of Education development opportunities and topics for the next month's agenda.

Flesner moved Unseld seconded to adjourn. Voting unanimous, Meeting adjourned at 7:36 pm.

Kendall Steffensen on behalf of Adam Venteicher, Secretary Pierce Public Schools Board of Education, District 2 Pierce, NE 68767