

Monday, January 14, 2019

The Pierce Public Schools Board of Education met for the regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Members present were Ted Krienke, Dan Unseld, Kevin Flesner, Adam Venteicher, Dave Lienemann and Robert Hoffmann. Also present were Superintendent Kendall Steffensen, Elementary Principal Adam Patrick, High School Principal Mark Brahmer, Activities Director Darren Sindelar and numerous guests.

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

Superintendent Kendall Steffensen briefly took over the meeting for the installation of new member Adam Venteicher, who recited the Oath of Office, and for the election of officers. The officers are President Ted Krienke, Vice President Dave Lienemann and Secretary Dan Unseld. Robert Hoffmann was appointed Treasurer.

The negotiations committee will be Ted Krienke, Dave Lienemann and Dan Unseld. The Americanism committee will be Kevin Flesner, Robert Hoffmann and Adam Venteicher.

Adam Bolling and Blaine Bockelman spoke about Sunday practices for Monday competitions during public communication.

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

Maiya Baumann reported for the student council about the winter royalty dance.

FCCLA report from Sydney Ericson said they managed the Pierce Speech Meet concession stand, getting ready for Candy Grams and putting finishing touches on STAR competitive events to be presented January 23rd at district competition in Wayne.

For the FFA Brett Tinker and Jakob Meier reported on plans for a greenhouse.

Elementary principal Adam Patrick said a special breakfast will be held to recognize students named to the Honor Rolls. Registration for preschool and kindergarten for the 2019-2020 school year is taking place.

Activities Director Darren Sindelar said he had been approached by many coaches/sponsors about not being able to practice on Sunday when there are varsity competitions on the following Monday. He included a list of other schools and their Sunday practice policies. Also included were dates for many upcoming activities.

High School Principal Mark Brahmer said they will be doing evacuation practice drills during the spring semester. A few upperclassmen will be using the Virtual Scholar Program through the University of Nebraska. Two student teachers from Wayne this semester, Alyssa Hoffmann and Anna Stineman. A Digital Citizenship assembly was presented to students about the do's and don'ts of social media. Nucor's Creation Station is in the school for the month of January. It includes 3D printers, CNC machines, embroidery machines and a vinyl cutter.

Andrew Forney from DA Davidson presented information regarding the bond for the HVAC and Lighting Update. Lienemann moved and Venteicher seconded a motion to approve the bond for \$765,000 through DA Davidson. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

Lienemann moved and Flesner seconded a motion to accept the school's annual report as presented by Superintendent Steffensen. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

Venteicher moved and Lienemann seconded a motion to approve the annual Board of Education calendar. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

Hoffmann moved and Venteicher seconded a motion to authorize the Superintendent as the local education agency representative for state and federal programs. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

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

Venteicher moved and Flesner seconded a motion to offer (7) Early Separation Incentive contracts. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

No action taken on maintenance items.

At 7:30 p.m. Unseld moved and Hoffmann seconded a motion to enter executive session for teacher negotiations. The board came out of executive session at 7:48 p.m.

Topics for next month's agenda include school calendar, principal contracts, and non-certified staff compensation.

At 8:00 p.m. Unseld moved and Lienemann seconded a motion to adjourn. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

Dan Unseld, Secretary
Pierce Public Schools
Board of Education District 2
Pierce, Ne 68767