Monday, September 14, 2020

The Pierce Public Schools Board of Education met for the regular monthly meeting following the budget and property tax request hearings. The meeting opened at 6:28 p.m. in the High School gymnasium. Members present were Ted Krienke, Kevin Flesner, Dave Lienemann, Adam Venteicher, Robert Hoffmann, and Dan Unseld. Also present were Superintendent Kendall Steffensen, High School principal Mark Brahmer, Elementary Principal Trent Suehl, Activities Director Darren Sindelar, and several guests.

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

During communication from the public Scott Magnussen and his son spoke about a coop with Wayne for baseball.

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

FCCLA representative Alexa Schnoor said they currently have 19 members and will be conducting their conferences online.

Student Council representative Kaley Marks said they will be voting for officers online.

Abigail Streff reported that the FFA has 65 members. They helped at the Whitetail Unlimited dinner and with duck trials. She also said they will be participating in land judging. The remainder of the greenhouse is in and poinsettias have been ordered so they can begin using it.

Mr. Brahmer's High School report stated that community service day will be September 24th and parent-teacher conference will be September 23rd.

Mr. Suehl's Elementary report listed the current PK-6 enrollment at 354 students, no school September 16 for staff development and will also have parent-teacher conferences on September 23rd. from 1:15 to 9p.m.

Mr. Sindelar included the district's covid-19 guidelines for fall activities and a list of the number of participants for each fall sport.

The only discussion item was a brief explanation of the covid precautions for activities that Mr. Sindelar has attached to his report.

The first action item concerned the district's participation in the adjusted food program allowing all students to receive free breakfast and lunch through Dec. 31 2020. Hoffmann moved and Flesner seconded the motion to have the district participate. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

The second action item was about a baseball cooperative. Lienemann moved and Hoffmann seconded the motion to end exploration of a baseball cooperative. Voting yes: Krienke, Flesner, Lienemann, Hoffmann, Unseld; Voting no Venteicher, motion carried.

Third action item was to approve the 2020/21 budget. Hoffmann moved and Lienemann seconded the motion to approve the 2020/21 budget as presented during the budget hearing. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

The forth action item was to approve the 2020/21 tax request resolution. Following the reading of the Property Tax Resolution by Superintendent Steffensen a motion was made by Venteicher and seconded by Lienemann to approve the Property Tax Resolution as read. Voting unanimous, motion carried.

Professional growth opportunities will either be virtual or pre-recorded.

Topics for next month's agenda include the beginning of the teacher negotiations, distribute board of education self-evaluation and superintendent evaluation, conduct a Committee on American Civics meeting.

Lienemann moved and Hoffmann seconded a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

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