

Panhandle Community Unit District No. Two Board of Education

Regular Session Minutes July 18, 2022

The Panhandle Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, June 20, 2022, at the Lincolnwood Jr/Sr High School Library in Raymond at 7:00 p.m. Board Vice-President, Dana Pitchford called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and roll call was taken.

Board Members Present: Dana Pitchford, Vice-President; Linda Brown, Secretary; Scott Cowdrey, Heather Millburg, Gabe Pope, and Brett Slightom

Board Members Absent: Teresa Payne

Also in attendance: Aaron Hopper, Superintendent; Ken Schuster, Principal; Mary Herschelman, Donna Lemon, Carrie Huber, Will Gunn, Gary Armentrout, Vanessa Mulch, David Mulch, Rachael Mulch, Matt Beeler, Janelle Paproth, Kimberly Denney, Michele Centeno, Megan Beeler, Kate Beeler, Nora Beeler, and Josie Beeler

Community Comments

None

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

None

Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of minutes of June 20, 2022, budget hearing, regular and executive sessions.
- B. Approval of July 2022 bills, June 2022 disbursements, Treasurer's Report and Activity Accounts.
- C. *Approve the 2022-2023 vocational mileage reimbursement contract*
- D. *Annual approval of the District Affirmation of Assignments*
- E. Approve disposal of closed-session recordings over 24 months old

It was moved by Slightom and seconded by Brown to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0 with Payne absent.

Old Business Items

Building repair and maintenance update.

Mr. Hopper reported on summer progress within the school district. HVAC maintenance and repairs are ongoing by district staff. 90% of district classrooms are ready for the 22-23 school year. Tree remove is necessary due to storm damage and trees that have died. The tree removal will be accomplished as soon as possible. Minor electrical work is going and painting within the building continues. Asbestos removal is also ongoing as well.

Reorganization Update

Mr. Hopper shared with the board an update regarding reorganization. Mr. Hopper shared that the vote was favorable in all counties within the school district. The board was saddened that it did not pass in Morrisonville. Mr. Hopper said that he would work with Morrisonville to offer the opportunity for students to attend classes within Lincolnwood as students from other school districts currently do.

*Parking Lot Project Update**

Mr. Hopper updated the board regarding project. The is work in plan a commemorative area under the Lincolnwood canopy. Concrete needs to be updated in several areas. Drainage has been upgraded in front of the building. Civil will be on site to monitor the project this week.

Consideration and approval of the purchase of a lawn mower

Mr. Hopper provided information regarding a possible mower. The board reviewed the two proposals.

It was moved by Cowdrey and seconded by Pope to approve the purchase of a district lawn mower as presented. Motion carried 6-0 with Payne absent.

New Business Items

Request by a member of the public to discuss a board policy with the board.

Megan Beeler addressed the school board regarding homeschooler participation in extra-curricular activities within the school district. She indicated that she wanted to start the conversation with the school district. Based on Beeler, there are thirty students within the school district who are educated through home school or private school methods. Mrs. Beeler asked the board to plan for the future that is different than what has occurred in the past. Mrs. Beeler indicated that Hillsboro is researching this as well.

Mrs. Beeler stated that she knows that the board must review the matter and consider a lot of aspects in making their decision. She stated that the board sets the policies and procedures that interested families must follow. According the Beeler, IESA and IHSA allows students to participate.

Allowing home schooled students would be more inclusive. Mrs. Beeler went on to state that Home-schooling is a choice and extras are a privilege not a right.

The board directed the superintendent to research this more and connect with neighboring districts in developing possible policies and procedures.

*First Reading of board policies**

The board will need to consider the following board policies and adopt the first reading:

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| 2:230 | Public Participation at School Board Meetings and Petitions to the Board. |
| 3:70 | Succession Of Authority |
| 4:10 | Fiscal and Business Management |
| 4:70 | Resource Conservation |
| 4:180 | Pandemic Preparedness; Management; and Recovery |

5:40	Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease
5:70	Religious Holidays
5:80	Court Duty
5:110	Recognition for Service
5:140	Solicitations By or From Staff
5:240	Suspension
6:70	Teaching About Religions
6:80	Teaching About Controversial Issues
6:140	Education of Homeless Children
6:290	Homework
6:330	Achievement and Awards
7:15	Student and Family Privacy Rights
7:270	Administering Medicines to Students
7:285	Anaphylaxis Prevention, Response, and Management Program

It was moved by Slightom and seconded by Brown to approve the first reading of board policies as presented. Motion carried 6-0 with Payne absent.

Discussion regarding the creation of an E-Learning Plan

Mr. Hopper provided an update regarding the development of an E-Learning plan. The teachers' association has requested that it be considered again. The development of the plan would involve community and parents within the district. Food service would be a required component of the plan if it were to be implemented by the school board. The board will consider the measure in August.

Curriculum Update

Mr. Hopper provided an update regarding curriculum progression within the school district. The district continues to work on the development of different pathways for students. The district is developing a graduation acceleration pathway for this school year. The district's ag academy continues to develop outstanding opportunities for students within the district as well.

Community Comments

Executive Session

It was moved by Slightom and seconded by Pope to enter into closed session at 7:54 p.m. for the following purposes as allowed under the Illinois Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2(c): Appointment, employment and/or dismissal of employees of the District and student matters. Motion carried 6-0 with Payne absent.

It was moved by Slightom and seconded by Brown to reconvene into open session at 8:35p.m. Motion carried 6-0 with Payne absent.

Executive Session Action

It was moved by Millburg and seconded by Brown to accept the resignation of Daniel Bonnell effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. Motion carried 6-0 with Payne absent.

It was moved by Pope and seconded by Cowdrey to accept the resignation of Floyd Johnson effective July 29, 2022. Motion carried 6-0 with Payne absent.

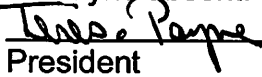
It was moved by Millburg and seconded by Slightom to approve Vanessa Mulch as volunteer volleyball coach for the 2022-2023 volleyball season. Motion carried 6-0 with Payne absent.

It was moved by Slightom and seconded by Pope to approve Alexis Emerson as a Yearbook Sponsor. Motion carried 6-0 with Payne absent.

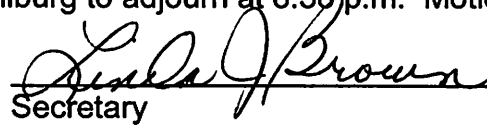
It was moved by Slightom and seconded by Cowdrey to authorize the superintendent to submit a bus bid. Motion carried 6-0 with Payne absent.

Adjournment

It was moved by Slightom and seconded by Millburg to adjourn at 8:38 p.m. Motion carried 6-0 with Payne absent.



President



Secretary