

Panhandle Community Unit District No. Two Board of Education

Regular Session Minutes August 15, 2022

The Panhandle Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, August 15, 2022, at the Lincolnwood Jr/Sr High School Library in Raymond at 7:00 p.m. Board President, Terri Payne called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and roll call was taken.

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

Board Members Absent:

Also in attendance: Aaron Hopper, Superintendent; Ken Schuster, Principal; Kyle Herschelman, Donna Lemon, Will Gunn, Gary Armentrout, Megan Beeler, Jeremy Carron

Community Comments

None

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

None

Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of minutes of July 18, 2022, budget hearing, regular and executive sessions.
- B. Approval of August 2022 bills, July 2022 disbursements, Treasurer's Report and Activity Accounts.
- C. *Annual approval of the District Affirmation of Assignments*
- D. Approve disposal of closed-session recordings over 24 months old

It was moved by Slightom and seconded by Pope to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Old Business Items

Building repair and maintenance update.

Mr. Hopper reported on summer progress within the school district. Concrete work has been completed but are still working to get information on the canopy work. The tree removal will be accomplished as soon as possible. Preschool fence will be installed this fall. Buildings are ready for the school year. Mr. Hopper thanked the maintenance staff for all of their work this summer.

*Second Reading of Board Policies**

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

- 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

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| 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 Pitchford and seconded by Slightom to approve the second reading of board policies as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

*First reading of board policy 7:40 and procedures associated with Home-School participation**

Mr. Hopper provided information regarding home-school participation within the district. The district has allowed access for home-school students for academic and even co-curricular activities within the school district. As a part of the research regarding changes Mr. Hopper did reach out to other schools, families from inside and outside the district, and the district lawyer to get some preliminary information regarding possible scenarios.

The question before the board only reflects the home-school student's ability to participate in extra-curricular activities offered by the district or through district cooperatives. Mr. Hopper provided the board with several considerations. Option 1 was from the policy from a neighboring school district. Option 2 creates cooperatives between the home-school and the district. Option 3 would require at least ½ time attendance. Option 4 would allow less than ½ time attendance.

The board questioned how I would verify attendance. The board also invited discussion from the public. Mrs. Beeler indicated that attendance may look different for a home-school student. Also, the home-school student may be taking a course that is not offered through the district. Would the district allow that course count toward the attendance requirement. Mrs. Beeler felt that ½ time attendance was too excess, but 1 hour a day was possible. If two hours were required, the classes may not be back-to-back and become burdensome for home-school students.

The board will continue to research the possible changes to board policy 7:40.

*District E-learning plan**

It was moved by Slightom and seconded by Pitchford to approve the district e-learning plan as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

*Approval of school bus bids**

Mr. Hopper presented information regarding the grant that will be used to bus the school bus. It was approved in July. The bid announcement was sent to the paper in July. The bid opening occurred on August 9th. The district received one bid that was lower than anticipated. Midwest Bus Sales submitted a bid for \$119,635.00. The bus is a 2023 Thomas C-2 71 passenger with full air.

It was moved by Cowdrey and seconded by Millburg to approve the purchase of a 2023 Thomas Saf-T-Liner C2 bus for \$119,635.00. Motion carried 7-0.

New Business Items

District Registration Information

Mr. Hopper reviewed the student information from registration with the board.

Discussion and action regarding the tentative FY23 District Budget

Mr. Hopper presented information on the estimate of the total revenue and expense for the school district for FY23. The district does anticipate a slight increase in EBF funding in FY23. CPPRT funds are also estimated to increase. The district will continue to utilize grant funds to expand opportunities for students. One grant that is lower this year is the ESEA grant-Title funds. As a result several adjustments were made to the grant and the budget to accommodate the loss in grant funds. The district will continue to refine estimates for expenses and we are able to get a more accurate number. The final budget presentation will be September 19th at 6:45pm.

It was moved by Slightom and seconded by Pitchford to approve the FY23 tentative budget as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Community Comments

Executive Session

It was moved by Slightom and seconded by Pope to enter into closed session at 7:53pm for the following purposes as allowed under the Illinois Open meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2(c): Appointment, employment compensation, discipline, performance and/or dismissal of specific employees of the district and student matters. Motion carried 7-0.

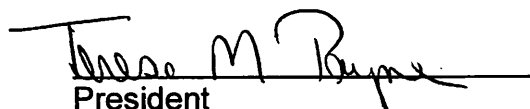
It was moved by Slightom and seconded by Millburg to reconvene into open session at 8:16 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

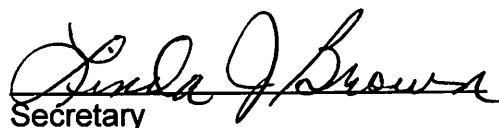
Executive Session Action

It was moved by Slightom and seconded by Pitchford to approve Jonathan Wagahoff as a district custodian pending successful completion of all state and local employment requirements. Motion carried 7-0.

Adjournment

It was moved by Slightom and seconded by Pitchford to adjourn at 8:17pm. Motion carried 7-0.


President


Secretary