

Tonasket School District #404
“Focused on Learning, Linking Learning to Life”

School Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 27, 2016
In the Board Room at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Jerry Asmussen, with Catherine Stangland, Lloyd Caton, Joyce Fancher and Ernesto Cerrillo present. Superintendent Steve McCullough and secretary Janet Glanzer were present. Administrators present were Liz Stucker, Jay Tyus and Jeremy Clark. Also present were Trisha Schock, Bobbi Catone, Rachel Silverthorn, Jordon Weddle, Jeff Yeckel, Kim Fitzthum, Christina Silverthorn and George Hill.

FLAG SALUTE

Jerry Asmussen led the flag salute at 7:05 p.m.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Changes in the action item for Bids and the addition of explanation of memo in New Business.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Board Action: Joyce Fancher moved to approve the minutes of the March 30, 2016 and the April 13 2016 board meetings as presented. Ernesto Cerrillo seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS – None

CONSENT AGENDA

Board Action: Ernesto Cerrillo moved that the consent agenda be approved as presented. Joyce Fancher seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

SCHOOL REPORTS

ASB

Rachel Silverthorn provided a report of the various clubs and sports.

Elementary School

Jeremy Clark reported that the Math is Cool 4th grade team did a remarkable job at the regional competition. One student qualified for the state competition. The monthly assembly will be held on Friday. The early release session today on differentiation with two breakout sessions in Highly Capable and Special Education. Two community events at the end of March and beginning of April were Grandparents Day and the Reptile Man. Over 400 guests attended Grandparents Day and over 450 were at the Reptile Man evening. Spring testing is finishing up and the kids have been well-prepared prior to the test. The ES is welcoming Jody Terris as the art teacher next year.

Middle School

Jay Tyus reported that the drama class will be presenting Robin Hood on May 12. Promotion will be held on June 13. Josh Thayer and Teanna Wilson took students to WE Day. The Robotics team attended the World finals in Kentucky. Math Olympiad will be held in the Tri-Cities on May 6. Jessica Budzak will be the new LA/History teacher next year. Cari Haug and Rennie McCormick will be joining the Fellows group with the other teachers involved. Spring testing will be held over a period of six days instead of 20 days. The Life Skills curriculum came through a grant from funding through marijuana sales. Migrant/Bilingual summer school is in the planning stages. SafeTALK training was held on April 19 with a community meeting and a staff training coming up.

Special Education

Liz Stucker reported that on Grandparents Day the Life Skills students successfully presented their science projects. All the documents for the CPR have been submitted. WA-AIM is completed and submitted and Mrs. Stucker added that this is the second year of testing under this new process. Mrs. Stucker has been working on several interview committees and provided an update on the positions that will soon be opened. A transition support process for existing staff is being implemented. There will be multiple changes in the WAC for special education.

Superintendent

Steve McCullough reported that we are having good quality candidates apply for our jobs. The school garden in the new location is being built. Today was Secretaries Day. TEA negotiations are going forth with the next meeting on May 13. Information about a product call Tip 411 was shared. Mr. McCullough met with representative from OBHC regarding mental health issues that engage the community. Steve will be participating as an evaluator for the Oroville disaster drill tomorrow. The audit is not finished yet. Information about fund balance indicating that 5 to 10% is adequate and having a higher fund balance is best.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bond

Steve McCullough reviewed the April 28-29 open house and input sessions for staff and community members. He attended all the staff meetings to encourage staff to be involved.

Camera System Bid

Jordon Weddle provided information on the bids for the camera system and recommended accepting the bid from 911 Security Cameras.

Board Action: Lloyd Caton moved to accept the bid from 911 Security Cameras and to give the superintendent authority to go forward. Joyce Fancher seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Bids: Bus Videos Cameras, Replacement of Stair Treads in the HS and MS; Improvements for the Bus Parking and Driveway Area

Steve McCullough reported that the stair tread project will be started before graduation.

Jeff Yeckel provided information on the bids for a video camera system for 17 school buses and recommended accepting the bid from 24-7 Security.

Board Action: Joyce Fancher moved to accept the bid from 24-7 Security for a video camera system. Lloyd Caton seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Jeff Yeckel provided information on the bids for the bus parking and driveway area improvements and recommended accepting the bid from A&W Paving.

Board Action: Lloyd Caton moved to accept the bid from A&W Paving for the bus parking and driveway area improvements. Ernesto Cerrillo seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Transitional Bilingual Instruction Program

Jay Tyus provided the annual Transitional Bilingual Instruction Program report.

Board Action: Ernesto Cerrillo moved to approve the annual Transitional Bilingual Instruction Program report. Lloyd Caton seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

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TEA MOU #13/16-5 Teacher Evaluations

Steve McCullough provided information regarding the TEA MOU #13/16-5 Teacher Evaluations.

Board Action: Lloyd Caton moved to approve the TEA MOU #13/16-5 Teacher Evaluations. Joyce Fancher seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Bus Routing Criteria

Steve McCullough presented information regarding the bus routing criteria mentioning the removal of the in lieu of funding. Christina Silverthorn and Jeff Yeckel added additional information on the reasons to remove in lieu money.

IMC

Kim Fitzthum reviewed the instructional materials submitted from the IMC committee.

Resolution #15/16-5 Assigned Fund Balance

Steve McCullough provided information regarding Resolution #15/16-5 Assigned Fund Balance. Trisha Schock added additional information. The funds put into these accounts are designated for projects and can be accessed. This item will be brought back to the next board meeting after more research has been done.

ES Dean of Students

Steve McCullough provided information on the need to add a Dean of Students to the ES to help with the overload on the ES administrator. Mr. McCullough reviewed the cost of funding this position. Jeremy Clark highlighted a few of the responsibilities of this position.

Board Action: Joyce Fancher moved to approve to go forward with hiring an ES Dean of Students. Lloyd Caton seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

BOARD POLICY UPDATES

Fifth Reading Policies: 3422, 6700

Board Action: Lloyd Caton moved to approve the fifth reading of policies 3422 and 6700. Ernesto Cerrillo seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Fourth Reading Policies: 2410, 5231

Board Action: Ernesto Cerrillo moved to approve the fourth reading of policy 5231 Length of Work Day. Lloyd Caton seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Board Action: Lloyd Caton moved to approve the fourth and final reading of policy 2410 High School Graduation Requirements with changes as outlined. Ernesto Cerrillo seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Second Reading Policies: 1105, 2021, 4040, 5201, 5240, 5280, 5281, 6106

Board Action: Lloyd Caton moved to approve the second reading of policies: 1105, 2021, 4040, 5201, 5240, 5280, 5281, 6106. Ernesto Cerrillo seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

REPORTS

Trisha Schock and Bobbi Catone reviewed the financial reports.

MISCELLANEOUS

HS Diplomas/Promotion Certificates

Catherine Stangland and Lloyd Caton will hand out senior diplomas and Ernesto Cerrillo and Jerry Asmussen will hand out 8th grade promotion certificates.

Excellence Banquet

The Excellence Banquet will be held on May 12 at 5:30 PM in the HS commons.

Healthy Kids Grant

The Board is supporting the Healthy Kids Grant which will fund water bottle filling stations for the MS and ES.

Board Action: Lloyd Caton moved to approve the Healthy Kids Grant. Ernesto Cerrillo seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD AGENDA

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Board Action: The Board adjourned the meeting at 9:50 p.m.

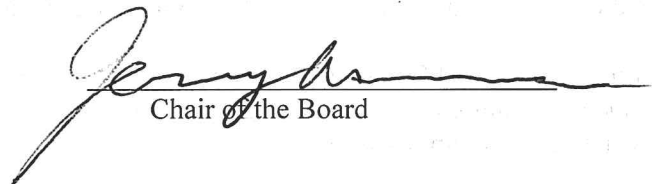


Janet Glanzer
Assistant Secretary

The minutes of the April 27, 2016 regular board meeting (4 pages) were approved at the May 25, 2016 board meeting.



Secretary to the Board



Chair of the Board