

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

School Board Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, October 28, 2020  
Remote Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Sharron Cox called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. with Ernesto Cerrillo, Joyce Fancher, Lois Rhoads, and Jennie Wilson remotely attending. Superintendent Steve McCullough and secretary Janet Glanzer were present remotely. Administrators attending remotely were Kristi Krieg, Trisha Roach, Holly Haugan, Tara Deebach, and Lilly Martin. Also attending remotely were Bobbi Catone, Cindy Roberts, Brittany Jones, Nicole Sutton, Rosemary Stevens, Janice Wilson, Melissa Morgan, and others joining after the start of the meeting.

**ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA - None**

**HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS – None**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Board Action: Joyce Fancher moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Lois Rhoads seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**REPORTS**

***Financial Reports***

Bobbi Catone reviewed the financial reports.

***Superintendent***

Steve McCullough provided the enrollment report. The area superintendents are concerned about the spread of COVID within family gatherings going into the holiday season. Mr. McCullough encouraged people to still do the right things to keep the numbers down. The high school graduation rate for 2019-20 was 94.1%. This number reflects the graduating class was a GEAR-Up cohort and the work they've done to encourage graduation and following a career. Safety and security project is completed and we are getting close to getting the access control key cards out and the system up and running.

Supt's On virtual meeting will be held next Wednesday and the Boston Consulting Group (BCG) will be joining both English & Spanish sessions. They have been hired by the State to research disparities our students may face due to school closures from COVID-19. Through this discussion, they are looking for ideas that can help families and their children, and our communities, both now and in the future. The district is assessing and tracking students to see where they are at academically because of the COVID. Data indicated there is not a significant loss as expected. The annual interscholastic activities for 2020-21 report was provided in the superintendent's written report.

***Elementary School***

Lilly Martin provided a report of the highlights of the hybrid program in the elementary school. The students are doing a good job of being engaged. Approximately 90% of the students are engaged. Mrs. Martin shared that NWEA data from last fall 2019 to this fall 2020 indicated an average growth of 1% in reading; however, math dropped by 4%. The three-year school improvement plan is being prioritized in regards to the PLC work identifying standards to better help the students meet the standards.

*School Board Budget Priority Committee*

Steve McCullough provided an update on the progress of forming this committee. Lois Rhoads, Joyce Fancher, and Mr. McCullough met and they are working on asking community committee members to join the committee and meet sometime in November. The work of the committee will be identifying f and when cuts need to be made and prioritizing what needs to be cut first and looking at different class schedule structures.

**POLICY UPDATES**

*Retire Policies and Procedures*

Board Action: Joyce Fancher moved to approve retiring Policies and Procedures: 3144 Release of Information Concerning Student Sexual and Kidnapping Offenders and 4314 Notification of Threats of Violence or Harm. Jennie Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

*First Reading Policies*

Board Action: Joyce Fancher moved to approve the first reading of Policies 2255 and 3143. Ernesto Cerrillo seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD AGENDA**

**EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION**

The board moved into executive session at 7:45 p.m. for 15 minutes to consider professional negotiations. The board moved out of executive session at 8:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Sharron Cox adjourned the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

  
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Janet Glanzer  
Assistant Secretary

The minutes of the October 28, 2020 regular board meeting (2 pages) were approved at the November 30, 2020 board meeting.

  
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Secretary to the Board

  
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Chair of the Board