

Panorama Community School District July Regular School Board Meeting

Date: 7/8/2013
Time: 6:30 pm
Location: Panorama District Board Room

Call to Order

The Panorama Community School District Board of Education met in a regular session on July 8th, 2013 in the district board room located at the middle/high school. The regular session was called to order by Bryce Wilke, President, at 6:30pm.

Attendees

Board Members Present:

Board Members Tom Arganbright, Tina Thornberry, Scott Fredrickson, Robert Meinecke and Bryce Wilke were present.

Administrators Present:

Kathryn Elliott (Superintendent) and Sarah Young (Business Manager/Board Secretary) were present.

Others:

Gordon Castile, Ronda Hafner, Mike Carey, John Stetzel and Brad Halterman.

Public Forum

Speaker Name: Bob Fuller

Mr. Fuller presented the board with his grandson's report card to illustrate a concern he observed during the past school year. Mr. Fuller was concerned that a particular teacher was not supporting all students in the classroom and also was not being available to assist those students who were struggling. Mr. Fuller also commented that there seems to be a lack of mutual respect between students and teachers.

Agenda

Changes to Agenda (if any): None

T. Arganbright motioned to approve the agenda as posted.

R. Meinecke seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Good News

The following "Good News" items were shared:

- Adam Dooley and Colby Woodvine will be attending the NASA international competition in August.
- Nick Nelson and Colin Woodvine attended the national Technology Student Association (TSA) competition and placed in the top 10 of over 200 teams.
- The district received two thank you letters from Gavin Richey and Madison Fisher who were selected to attend the Hugh O'Brien Youth (HOBY) Leadership seminar.

Consent Items

S. Fredrickson motioned to approve the consent items.

T. Thornberry seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Consent items included the minutes from the June 3rd regular board meeting and the bills as presented. The board accepted resignations from Kent Muyskens as High School Science Teacher and Boys Basketball Coach and Jody Hein as Cook. The board also approved the following contract recommendations:

- Signe Hinde – Preschool/Elementary Reading (\$41,980.46)
- Maxwell Scott – High School Chemistry/Physics (\$38,228.46)
- James Roberts – Sports Shuttle Bus (\$5,253.00)
- Brad Halterman – Head Boys Basketball Coach (\$3,895.00)
- Chris Webner – Assistant Boys Basketball Coach (\$2,996.00)

Reports

2012-13 Student Achievement Data – Kathy Elliott

Ms. Elliott reviewed the 2012-13 student achievement goals set last year which were to increase student proficiency by 5% in reading, math and science. This goal was not met in any of the three areas. In addition, the district set a goal that each student would grow in at least one area as measured by MAP testing. Overall, there were only 14 students in grades K-12 that did not meet this goal.

Board member Wilke commented that he was disappointed that these goals were not met. He urged the district to communicate these goals with the community and the staff to ensure everyone is working towards meeting these goals.

2013-14 Student Achievement Goals – Mike Carey

Mike Carey was present to represent the School Improvement Advisory Committee (SIAC). Mr. Carey presented the goals for 2013-14 as agreed upon by the members of SIAC. The goals presented were to increase student proficiency by 5% for students in grades 3-11 in reading, math and science. In addition, the team would like each student to grow in at least two areas as measured by MAP testing.

Discussion/Information Topics

Update on Infinite Campus/Online Registration

Ms. Elliott provided an update on Infinite Campus. Staff members have been receiving training throughout the summer on how to use the system. In addition, all student data has been entered from JMC into Infinite Campus. Ms. Elliott also reported that the online registration system will be up and running by July 29th. Parents will receive a letter in the mail with log on instructions in order to complete registration. The district will still have onsite registration with computers available for those who need assistance completing registration.

Upcoming Dates

- School Board Candidate Filing Begins – July 8th
- School Board Candidate Filing Deadline – August 1st @ 5:00pm
- Public Hearing – Instructional Support Program – August 12th @ 6:00pm
- Regular Board Meeting – August 12th (immediately following the public hearing)
- School Board Election – September 10th

Action Items

2013-14 Student Achievement Goals (SIAC)

S. Fredrickson motioned to approve the 2013-14 Student Achievement Goals as presented by SIAC.

T. Thornberry seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

6-12 Social Students Curriculum Adoption

S. Fredrickson motioned to approve the adoption of the TCI and DBQ social studies curriculum for grades 6-12 for a total cost of \$27,600.

R. Meinecke seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Milk & Bread Bids

T. Arganbright motioned to approve the bids received from Anderson Erickson (milk) and Bimbo Bakeries (bread).

S. Fredrickson seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Nutrition Interfund Loan

R. Meinecke motioned to approve an interfund loan from the General fund to the Nutrition fund in the amount of \$23,922.89 to cover the costs of employee salaries and benefits in July and August.

T. Thornberry seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Preschool & Elementary Handbooks

T. Arganbright motioned to approve the preschool and elementary handbooks as presented.

R. Meinecke seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Action Items, continued

Resolution to Consider Continued Participation in the Instructional Support Program

T. Thornberry motioned to approve the resolution to consider continued participation in the Instructional Support Program.

S. Fredrickson seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Liability/Specialty Underwriters Insurance Renewal

S. Fredrickson motioned to approve the liability and Specialty Underwriters insurance renewal as presented.

T. Thornberry seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

1st Reading – Revised Board Policies

R. Meinecke motioned to approve the 1st reading of the revised board policies:

- 402.3 – Insurance
- 702.11 – School Vehicle Usage
- 704.2 – Sale of Bonds
- 1007.1 – Tobacco Free Environment

T. Arganbright seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

PPEL/Technology Expenditures

S. Fredrickson motioned to approve the following expenditures to be funded out of PPEL:

- Painting of the lunchroom, corridors and entryway for a total cost of \$14,298.00
- Dell Server System for a total cost of \$10,843.19
- Electrical work at the elementary for a total cost of \$8,995.00

T. Arganbright seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

IASB Legislative Action Priorities

T. Arganbright motioned to approve the following legislative priorities for 2014:

- Supports preserving the integrity of the statewide penny sales tax for school infrastructure, including tax equity provisions of buying down the highest additional levy rates to the state average.
- Supports setting allowable growth at a rate that encourages continuous school improvement and reflects actual cost increases experienced by school districts and AEAs. Our priority is to increase and maintain the state cost per pupil and the spending authority associated with it to build a strong base for future education resources with full state funding of the state's share of the cost per pupil.
- Supports legislation that provides greater flexibility for school districts to meet changing needs, become more efficient, protect natural resources and save public funds.
- Opposes and seeks to repeal unfunded mandates.

T. Thornberry seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Overnight Request

T. Thornberry motioned to approve the overnight request for girls basketball to attend camp in Pella, IA on July 29th.

S. Fredrickson seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:43pm. The next regular board meeting is set for August 12th, 2013 at 6:30pm.

Sarah Young,
Secretary

Board President

Board Secretary

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