

Panorama Community School District June 2015 Regular School Board Meeting

Date: 6/8/2015
Time: 6:15pm
Location: Panorama District Board Room

6:15pm:

Dave Arganbright took board members Bryce Wilke, Jon Stetzel and Jenny Van Gundy on a tour of the locker room remodel project.

Regular Meeting:

Call to Order

The Panorama Community School District Board of Education met in a regular meeting on June 8th, 2015 in the district board room located at the middle/high school. The meeting was called to order by Bryce Wilke, President, at 6:30 pm.

Attendees

Board Members Present:

Board Members Jon Stetzel, Deb Douglass, Jenny Van Gundy and Bryce Wilke were present. Tom Arganbright was absent.

Administrators Present:

Kathryn Elliott (Superintendent), Mary Breyfogle (Elem Principal/School Improvement Coordinator) and Sarah Sheeder (Business Manager/Board Secretary) were present.

Others:

Gordon Castile, Dave Arganbright, Lora Koch

Agenda

Changes to Agenda (if any): None

D. Douglass motioned to approve the agenda as posted.

J. Stetzel seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Public Forum

Speaker Name: Hal Rossow

Subject: Boys Golf Coach Hal Rossow reported that the Panorama Boys Golf team had a very successful season with the team breaking 17 school records and tying 2. Because of this success, Mr. Rossow asked the board to consider purchasing a record board for the golf team in order to recognize this team for their accomplishments. Mr. Rossow stated that the Booster Club has expressed an interest in covering a portion of the cost.

Good News

- On Earth day, Elementary picked up trash, cleaned up flower beds, swept sidewalks, moved tire pieces and helped create "chia" head people out of pop bottles! The students showed great caring, cooperation and citizenship skills as they worked to make their corner of the world a better place.
- Both boys and girls track teams were team champions at the state qualifying meet.
- Girls track finished 18th at the state meet and broke 4 school records.
- Boys track finished 20th at the state meet. Marcus Boldy set a new school record in the shot put.
- Olivia Terrell applied and was accepted to attend Adventures of the Mind Camp in Philadelphia, PA. The camp is designed to have accomplished mentors work with students to help guide them to a future career.
- Panorama Boys Golf Team won the Class 2A State Championship at Ames Golf & Country Club last weekend. Sophomore, Will Babcock was the Individual Medalist and Senior, Jordan Eng was Runner up Medalist.
- Dalee Rogers was selected to be a State of Iowa representative at the World Food Prize Global Youth Institute. Dalee is 1 of 75 participants selected.
- Panorama FFA members Kaleb Stogdill, Dalton Allen, and Nic Parker participated in the state FFA Ag mechanics contest June 4th receiving a bronze.
- The Panorama/Perry Boys Soccer team qualified for the State Tournament.
- Panorama student Peyton Parker was a member of the Waukee Tennis team which placed 3rd in the State Tournament.

Recognition of Superintendent Kathryn Elliott

Board President Bryce Wilke presented Ms. Elliott with an engraved vase to thank her for serving as Superintendent for the past 6 years. The board wished Kathy well in her retirement.

Consent Items

D. Douglass motioned to approve the consent items.

J. Stetzel seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Consent items included the minutes of the May 11th regular meeting, the May 14th and May 28th special meetings, the financial report and the bills/VISA as presented, 1 open enrollment "in" application and 3 open enrollment "out" applications for the 2015-16 school year. The board accepted resignations from Jacki King as Paraeducator, Jess Fevold as Custodian and Signe Hinde as Elementary Classroom Teacher and approved the recall of Amanda Viggers to 1st grade teacher. The board also approved the following contracts: Kelly Blomquist, Mentor Teacher (\$5000), Sheena Bass, Assistant Volleyball (\$2540), Adam Crannell, IT Support Technician (\$43680) and Cindy Christie, IT Director (\$65000). The fundraising requests submitted by Mr. Geneser and the Spanish Club for the trip to Costa Rica were approved.

Reports

Construction Update

Dave Arganbright was present to provide an update on the construction projects. The locker room remodel project continues to be on schedule. Despite the wet conditions, the athletic complex is still progressing as scheduled. There is a concern with the water source to the irrigation system for the baseball and softball fields. The board advised Mr. Arganbright to proceed with the necessary repairs to ensure the irrigation system can be used. Bryce Wilke thanked the community members and parents who assisted in the painting of the dugout on the softball field.

Mary Breyfogle, Elementary Principal

Mrs. Breyfogle reported on the following items:

- Current preschool enrollment numbers for the 2015-16 school year are 21 three-year olds, 32 four-year olds and 4 five-year olds for a total of 68 slots which equates to 2.5 full time teachers. The district will continue to monitor preschool enrollment and will make staffing recommendations accordingly.
- The district would like to purchase the following curriculum programs:
 - Being a Reader. This curriculum will provide instruction in foundational skills of reading and will complete the comprehensive reading program.
 - Caring School Community. This is a research based program that increases students' connectedness to school which increases student achievement

Kathryn Elliott, Superintendent

Ms. Elliott reported that the district may possibly receive a donated pole for the radio repeater system that has been purchased. She also reported that she has been working with the new Superintendent, Shawn Holloway to ensure a smooth transition on July 1st.

Discussion/Information Topics

Needs Assessment Update

Ms. Elliott reported on the results of a recent survey that was sent out to staff and parents.

Areas of strength:

- Parents and staff feel the school environment is safe, supportive, welcoming and clean, well-kept
- Parents are encouraged and provided opportunities to actively partner with school
- Staff promptly responds to parent questions, concerns and comments
- Staff promotes academic success and treats students with respect
- Parents and students treat teachers and staff with respect
- Parents feel the e-newsletters is informative

Discussion/Information Topics, continued

Needs Assessment Update, continued

Areas for Improvement:

- Staff inability to know how to help and motivate difficult students
- Challenges of dealing with disruptive students
- Preventing/stopping and reporting bullying
- Lack of awareness and adapting learning to individual students
- Staff more proactive about communicating with parents
- Behavior Management
- Student lack of respect toward other students
- Challenge of home environment preparing students to be ready to learn

Upcoming Dates

- Board Work Session – July 13th @ 5:30pm
- Regular Board Meeting – July 13th @ 6:30pm

Action Items

Resolution Appointing Paying Agent, Bond Registrar, and Transfer Agent, Approving the Paying Agent, Bond Registrar and Transfer Agent Agreement and Authorizing the Execution of the Same

D. Douglass motioned approve the resolution appointing paying agent, bond registrar, and transfer agent, approving the paying agent, bond registrar and transfer agent agreement and authorizing the execution of the same as presented.

J. Stetzel seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

J. Stetzel Aye
T. Arganbright Absent
D. Douglass Aye
B. Wilke Aye
J. Van Gundy Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of form of Tax Exemption Certificate

D. Douglass motioned to approve the form of Tax Exemption Certificate as presented.

J. Van Gundy seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Continuing Disclosure Certificate

J. Van Gundy motioned approve the Continuing Disclosure Certificate as presented.

D. Douglass seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds

D. Douglass motioned to approve the resolution authorizing the issuance of bonds.

J. Stetzel seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Approve District to Issue Warrants in June for FY15 Expenses

J. Stetzel motioned to approve the issuance of warrants for any outstanding expenditures for fiscal year 2015 prior to June 30th.

J. Van Gundy seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

2015-16 Student Handbook

D. Douglass motioned to table the approval of the 2015-16 student handbook in order to provide more time for the board members to review and provide feedback.

J. Van Gundy seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Action Items, continued

Elementary Curriculum Adoption

D. Douglass motioned to approve the elementary curriculum adoption as presented in Mary Breyfogle’s report.

J. Stetzel seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Contract Recommendation

J. Stetzel motioned not renew the Concessions contract for Emily Bruemmer for the 2015-16 school year.

D. Douglass seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

J. Stetzel Aye

T. Arganbright Absent

D. Douglass Aye

B. Wilke Aye

J. Van Gundy Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

School Insurance Renewal & Equipment Breakdown Policy

D. Douglass motioned to approve the renewal of the school insurance and equipment breakdown policy as presented.

J. Stetzel seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Milk & Bread Bids

J. Stetzel motioned to approve contracts with Anderson Erickson for milk and Sara Lee for bread for the 2015-16 school year.

J. Van Gundy seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Registration Fees for 2015-16

J. Stetzel motioned to approve the 2015-16 registration fees as presented which includes a \$0.10 increase in lunch fees. All other fees will remain the same except for those optional items that can be purchased.

D. Douglass seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

2nd Reading Board Policy 601.2 – School Calendar

J. Van Gundy motioned to approve the 2nd reading of revised board policy 601.2 – School Calendar.

D. Douglass seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Construction Warrants

J. Stetzel motioned to approve the construction pay applications as presented.

J. Van Gundy seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm. Following the regular meeting, the board went into exempt session to discuss 2015-16 negotiations.

The next regular board meeting is set for July 13th at 6:30 pm (work session prior to meeting at 5:30).

Sarah Sheeder,
Board Secretary

Board President

Board Secretary

Date

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