

Panorama Community School District October School Board Regular Board Meeting

Date: 10/10/2016
Time: 6:30 pm
Location: Panorama District Board Room

Call to Order

The Panorama Community School District Board of Education met for a regular meeting on October 10th, 2016 in the district board room located at the middle/high school. The regular meeting was called to order by Bryce Wilke, President, at 6:30 pm.

Attendees

Board Members Present:

Board Members Jon Stetzel, Deb Douglass, Deborah Westergaard, Jenny Van Gundy and Bryce Wilke were present.

Administrators Present:

Shawn Holloway (Superintendent), Thad Stanley (MS/HS Principal), Liz Ratcliff (Elem Principal) and Sarah Sheeder (Business Manager/Board Secretary) were present.

Others:

Gordon Castile, Rachel Downing, Jenelle Jarnagin, Robyn Ploeger, Greg Thompson

Public Forum

None.

Agenda

Changes to Agenda (if any): None

J. Van Gundy motioned to approve the agenda as posted.

J. Stetzel seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Good News

The following "Good News" items were shared:

- The elementary library was recently awarded the 2016-17 STEM Scale-Up grant for the Science Center of Iowa's Making STEM Connections program. This program provides an extensive kit that includes tools, supplies, teacher resources and lessons that are designed to inspire children to become "Makers" through the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math) principles and 21st Century skills.
- Recently a recreational soccer team affiliated with Dowling played a game on Panorama's turf field. The coaches were very impressed with the field and facility and the ability for their kids to play soccer under the lights, which was something they had never experienced before. They also commented how great it was that the school would be so supportive of the local club, knowing that Panorama doesn't have a high school team. They both said it was one of the best places they have played, and the final comment from one coach was: "I'd pay money to be able to play on a field like this every week."
- A new student activity club is being formed at Panorama Schools called the Panorama Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA). FCA is a student led organization and will focus on equipping, enabling, empowering and encouraging students to impact and influence their school for Christ. This group will be completely voluntary and will function the same as other student organizations; with activities taking place before or after school.
- The recent Glow Bike, Run, Walk that was held on October 2nd to kick off Homecoming week was very successful with approximately 70 participants.
- Panorama has been selected to be featured on Channel 5 "Blitz Game Day" on Friday, Oct. 14. Local 5 news station will be doing a live broadcast from the Panorama football stadium from 6:00-7:00 AM. All fans, students (K-12), teachers, and community members are asked to be there at 5:45 AM.

Consent Items

J. Stetzel motioned to approve the consent items as presented.

D. Westergaard seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Consent items included the minutes of the September 12th regular meeting, the bills, VISA report, financial report and bank reconciliations as presented. The board also approved a contract for Ashley Wendl to serve as Basketball Cheer Coach in the amount of \$806.00.

Reports

Spanish Club

Spanish teacher Michael Geneser requested approval for the Spanish Club to travel to Cuba for a 9-day trip in June 2017. This trip will cost each student \$3894.00 and will include visits to Havana, Trinidad and Vinales. The board will make a final decision at the November regular meeting.

Math Curriculum

Secondary teachers Robyn Ploeger, Jenelle Jarnagin and Greg Thompson were present to discuss Carneige, the math curriculum the district has been using the past 5 years. The biggest frustration for students and parents is not the actual Carneige curriculum, but rather the software program that is used (Cognitive Tutor & Mathia). The teachers recommended the district continue using the Carneige curriculum, but to explore other purchasing options with the software so it may be used for a targeted student population.

Liz Ratcliff, Elementary Principal

- Wednesday morning PD has been spent identifying specific math skills that are essential for each grade level.
- There is a full day of PD planned on October 28th, in which teachers will review the Common Core book for literacy and math as well as complete math assessment work.
- Staff at the elementary continue to focus on PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention & Support).
- The SINA (Schools in Need of Assistance) committee will meet to review standards and academic needs.

Thad Stanley, MS/HS Principal

- Teachers continue to work on customized learning plans during Wednesday morning professional development. In addition, teachers are working on long term goals of professional development.
- Teachers are preparing for the new state assessment in order to better prepare students to take the test.
- TLC coaches are working to assist teachers on how to put the Iowa Standards into action and to develop strategies for sharing tools and resources.
- The district continues to be proactive with the bullying and harassment initiative which included a student assembly with a guest speaker from the FBI who talked with students about the ramifications of cyberbullying and other issues with social media use.

Shawn Holloway, Superintendent

- A meeting with the SIAC committee was held on Tuesday, October 4th which focused on creating a core vision and mission statement for the district, as well as reviewing recent student assessment results.
- The mediation process for the KUNOs lawsuit is scheduled to begin on October 18th, 2016.
- The record board for Panorama golf has been completed.

Discussion/Information Topics

Board Unspent Balance Goals

Mr. Holloway provided a report showing the unspent balance trend for the district. Analysis of this report shows that the district's unspent balance has declined and will most likely continue to decline after the 2016-17 school year. The district will discuss this again in the November board meeting to determine which financial goals the board wants to focus on for long term planning.

Upcoming Dates

1. Early Out, End of 1st Term - October 27th
2. No School - Full Day PD - October 28th
3. Parent/Teacher Conferences - November 9th & 10th
4. Regular Board Meeting - November 14th @ 6:30
5. IASB Convention - November 16th & 17th

Action Items

SBRC Modified Allowable Growth for the FY16 Special Education Deficit

D. Douglass motioned to approve SBRC modified allowable growth and supplement aid for the District's 2015-16 Special Education Deficit of \$404,059.97.
D. Westergaard seconded.
Motion carried unanimously.

2015-16 Certified Annual Report

J. Stetzel motioned to approve the 2015-16 Certified Annual Report as presented.
D. Douglass seconded.
Motion carried unanimously.

1st Reading Revised Board Policies

D. Westergaard motioned approve the 1st Reading of the following revised board policies:

- 201.4 - Elections
- 201.8 - Vacancies
- 402.9 - Employee Physicals
- 406.4 - Child Abuse Reporting
- 501.14 - Student Conduct
- 501.17 - Homeless Children & Youth
- 505.8 - Parent & Family Engagement
- 506.7 - Weapons
- 507.9 - Wellness Policy
- 605.2 - Testing Program

J. Van Gundy seconded.
Motion carried unanimously.

1st Reading New Board Policies

D. Douglass motioned approve the 1st Reading of the new board policy 202.7 (Term of Office). New policy 507.9R1 was tabled so that the SIAC committee can review and make recommendations at a later date.
D. Westergaard seconded.
Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:12pm. The next regular board meeting is set for November 14th, 2016 at 6:30pm.

Sarah Sheeder,
Secretary

Board President

Board Secretary

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