

Panorama Community School District March School Board Meeting

Date: 3/14/2016
Time: 5:30 pm
Location: Panorama District Board Room

Work Session:

Call to Order

The Panorama Community School District Board of Education met for a work session on March 14th, 2016 in the district board room located at the middle/high school. The work session was called to order by Bryce Wilke, President, at 5:30 pm.

Attendees

Board Members Present:

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

Administrators Present:

Shawn Holloway (Superintendent), Mary Breyfogle (Elem Principal/School Improvement Coordinator), Thad Stanley (Secondary Assistant Principal) and Sarah Sheeder (Business Manager/Board Secretary) were present.

Others:

Gordon Castile & Lora Koch

Work Session

During the work session, Shawn Holloway presented the 2016-17 certified budget that included a proposed combined tax levy rate of 12.0951%. Work Session adjourned at 6:00pm.

Closed Session:

Call to Order

The Panorama Community School District Board of Education met for a closed session as provided in section 21.5(1)(c) of the open meetings law to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation on March 14th, 2016 in the district board room located at the middle/high school. The closed session was called to order by Bryce Wilke, President, at 6:01pm.

D. Douglass motioned to go into closed session as provided in section 21.5(1)(c) of the open meetings law to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation

J. Stetzel seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Jon Stetzel: Aye

Deb Westergaard: Aye

Deb Douglass: Aye

Bryce Wilke: Aye

Jenny Van Gundy: Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session adjourned at 6:30pm.

Public Hearing:

Public Hearing for the 2016-17 School Calendar

The Panorama Community School District Board of Education held a public hearing for the 2016-17 school calendar on March 14th, 2016 in the district board room located at the middle/high school.

Board Members Present:

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

Public Hearing for the 2016-17 School Calendar, continued

Administrators Present:

Shawn Holloway (Superintendent), Mary Breyfogle (Elem Principal/School Improvement Coordinator), Thad Stanley (Secondary Assistant Principal) and Sarah Sheeder (Business Manager/Board Secretary) were present.

Others:

Gordon Castile, Lora Koch

D. Douglass motioned to open the public hearing for the 2016-17 school calendar at 6:33pm.

J. Stetzel seconded

Roll Call Vote:

Jon Stetzel: Aye

Deb Westergaard: Aye

Deb Douglass: Aye

Bryce Wilke: Aye

Jenny Van Gundy: Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

Written Objections/Comments:

The district did not receive any written objections or comments.

Oral Objections/Comments:

There were no oral objections or comments.

J. Stetzel motioned to approve the 2016-17 school calendar with a start date of August 23rd, 2016.

D. Douglass seconded

Roll Call Vote:

Jon Stetzel: Aye

Deb Westergaard: Aye

Deb Douglass: Aye

Bryce Wilke: Aye

Jenny Van Gundy: Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

J. Stetzel motioned to close the public hearing at 6:35 pm.

D. Westergaard seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Regular Meeting:

Call to Order

The Panorama Community School District Board of Education met for a regular meeting on March 14th, 2016 in the district board room located at the middle/high school. The regular meeting was called to order by Bryce Wilke, President, at 6:35pm.

President Wilke took a moment to remember school custodian Lyle Bates who passed away on February 22nd, 2016.

Attendees

Board Members Present:

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

Administrators Present:

Shawn Holloway (Superintendent), Mary Breyfogle (Elem Principal/School Improvement Coordinator), Thad Stanley (Secondary Assistant Principal) and Sarah Sheeder (Business Manager/Board Secretary) were present.

Others:

Gordon Castile & Lora Koch, Jeremy King, Evan Babcock, Lindsey Felder

Public Forum

None.

Agenda

Changes to Agenda (if any): None

D. Douglass motioned to approve the agenda as posted.

J. Stetzel seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Good News

The following "Good News" items were shared:

- The Panorama Panthers placed among the top three teams at the All Conference Academic Bowl Competition. The team was composed of Ben, Kylee, and Grant. A fourth team member, Eddy, was unable to compete but helped in the written round.
- Kylee Muyskens and Katlyn Wasson have now taken 1st place in three consecutive TSA competitions for high school technology problem solving. The girls now hold a TSA record for consecutive wins in an event
- Congrats to Panorama FFA members today at district contest. Madi Mae Fear took 1st place in chapter website design advancing to state, Aaron Irving took third place being an alternate to state advancement in Ag Sales competition, Collin Gross participated in welding, Kaleb Randel participated in farm business management, and Adam Hackfort received an academic achievement award.
- Elementary students are getting close to reaching their goal of reading a million minutes. We are about 850,000 minutes right now and on track to meet it by the end of the year.
- The Robotics team qualified for state and competed last Saturday.
- 7/8th grade band had 13 students perform at the Conference Honor Band on March 7th at WCV schools. 6-8th grade band students will have 18 competing at Guthrie Center HS on Friday March 11 in a solo /ensemble contest. High School band has 2 students competing at the State solo / ensemble contest on April 9.
- Last week Middle School students raised \$111.47 during Change Wars for school supplies for Haitian children.
- Panorama FFA has received a Gold rating and one of the top 25 Iowa FFA chapters in the Supreme National Chapter Award. This award is based on their activities for the 2015 calendar year and the submission of an intense application process.
- Journalism students visited KCCI on March 9 and had an amazing experience. They are ready to start exploring broadcast journalism via the new television in the commons
- Five Panorama High School students were selected to compete in the NASA Space Settlement Design Competition in Houston, Texas March 3-7th. (Ben Marwedel, Dalee Rogers, Eddy Mortensen, Kylee Muyskens, and Cassie Labath). Kylee and Cassie were members of the winning team.
- Panorama Wrestling qualified 4 wrestlers for state this year. This is the 8th straight year of state qualifiers for Panorama Wrestling and only the second time that the team has taken 4 or more kids to state. Good news is they are all coming back next year.
- Panorama fan attendance at the post season basketball games was outstanding.
- The Panorama Coed Drill team was invited to perform at the girl's state basketball tournament by the Iowa Girls Athletic Association. Also, we had three members of our team perform on the All Iowa Honor Drill Team including Christin Koch, Skye Vogel, and Kate Wingert .

Consent Items

D. Douglass motioned to approve the consent items as presented.

J. Van Gundy seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Consent items included the minutes of the February 8th, 2016 regular meeting, the financial report and bills/VISA as presented, fourteen open enrollment "IN" applications and four open enrollment "OUT" applications. In addition, the board approved the following contracts:

- Jeremy King, JH Baseball (\$1588.00)
- Dave Iseminger, JH Baseball (\$1588.00)
- Robyn Ploeger, JH Softball (\$1588.00)
- Adam Crannell, Teacher Contract
- Quentin Wren, JH Wrestling (\$1588.00)

Consent Items, continued

The board also accepted the following resignations:

- Vanessa Phillips (Concessions Manager)
- Kyler Kudart (JH Wrestling)
- Clista Ankrum (Paraeducator)
- Amy Block (Professional Learning Coach)
- Jan Hansen (Professional Learning Coach)
- Joan Fredrickson (Professional Learning Coach)
- Patty Meinecke (Instructional Coach)
- Liz Labath (Model Teacher)

Reports

CTE Committee Report

CTE Committee members Evan Babcock, Lindsey Felder and Jeremy King were present to provide an update on the work being done by the CTE Committee. The committee has identified four different goals to implement during the next school year.

County Conference Board – Jenny Van Gundy

Jenny Van Gundy is serving on the Guthrie County Conference Board on behalf of the Panorama School Board. Mrs. Van Gundy reported that the board will be considering recommendations for the Assessor position which recently has been vacated.

Mary Breyfogle, Elementary Principal

- Current preschool enrollment estimates show a need for 56 slots for the 2016-17 school year. This is down 4 slots from the current year.
- Kindergarten enrollment for the 2016-17 school year is expected to be around 40 students.
- Plans are being made for professional development opportunities for the 2016-17 school year.

Thad Stanley, Secondary Principal

- Iowa Testing has been completed.
- Middle school staff has implemented an incentive based plan to reduce the number of students on the D-F list. This plan along with intervention study hall has shown to improve student grades.
- Track practice is underway with 69 junior high students and 37 high school students.
- Special education student counts continue to increase.

Shawn Holloway, Superintendent

Mr. Holloway reported on the following items:

- The district is requesting \$234,957 in modified allowable growth for dropout prevention. These funds will be used for guidance counselors, staff in the student success center, the school community liaison and the elementary reading intervention teacher.
- The district reached a tentative agreement with the Panorama Education Association of 3.3% total increase to salaries and benefits for the 2016-17 school year.
- Work continues on the marketing plan for the district, including Facebook ad campaigns.

Discussion/Information Topics

Soccer Program

Mr. Holloway reported that he and Athletic Director Erin Ambrose have contacted area schools to determine if there is an interest in sharing a soccer program. Administrators from Guthrie Center indicated a sharing agreement with West Central Valley was already in place for their students. Greene Co Administrators showed some interest in sharing the program 50-50 and are interested in further discussions with Panorama.

Snow Make-Up Days

The district currently has 4 days to make up at the end of the year. If all 4 days are made up by students, the last day of school would be May 31st, which would extend the school year past Memorial Day. The board will take action at a later date.

Discussion/Information Topics, continued

Upcoming Dates

1. Public Hearing for FY16 Amended Budget & FY17 Certified Budget - March 22nd @ 6:30pm
2. No School - Spring Break - March 24th - 28th
3. Start 4th Term - March 29th
4. Regular Board Meeting - April 11th @ 6:30pm

Action Items

Overnight Trips

J. Stetzel motioned to approve the overnight requests as presented from TSA and Cross Country contingent upon all chaperones completing a successful background check.

D. Douglass seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

2016-17 PPEL Purchases

D. Douglass motioned to approve the 2016-17 PPEL purchases as presented for a total amount of \$473,276.00.

D. Westergaard seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Attorney Fee Structure for KUNO Lawsuit

J. Stetzel motioned to approve attorney reimbursement based on an hourly fee for the KUNO lawsuit pending review of the contract.

J. Van Gundy seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

SBRC Request for Modified Allowable Growth for Dropout Prevention

D. Douglass motioned to approve the application for SBRC modified allowable growth for dropout prevention for the 2016-17 school year in the amount of \$234,957.00.

J. Stetzel seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Set Public Hearing for FY16 Amended Budget & FY17 Certified Budget

J. Stetzel motioned to set the public hearing for the FY16 amended budget and the FY17 certified budget for March 22nd, 2016 at 6:30 in the district board room.

D. Douglass seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:33pm. The next regular board meeting is set for April 11th, 2016 at 6:30pm.

Sarah Sheeder,
Secretary

Board President

Board Secretary

Date

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