

Monday, July 10, 2023

The Pierce Public School Board of Education met for the regular monthly meeting at 6:31 pm in the board room of Pierce High School. Members present were Dan Unseld, Ryan Collison, Adam Venteicher, Todd Wragge, Lisa Freeman, and Craig Peters. Also present were Superintendent Kendall Steffensen, High School Principal Mark Brahmer, Elementary Principal Trent Suehl, and three guests. Notice of the meeting was printed in the Pierce county Leader and posted on Pierce Public Schools website.

A welcome was extended to the public, the open meeting act pointed out, roll call taken, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

There was communication or correspondence from the public including Kevin Flesner reporting that the Pierce Education Foundation will make a donation to the school to help with replacing the basketball hoops at the elementary school playground.

Wragge moved and Collison seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of the approval of minutes from the previous meeting, approval of claims and payment of bills, and financial reports. Voting Unanimous, motion carried.

Elementary Principal Trent Suehl reported that the current projected enrollment of preschool through sixth grade is 340 and class lists for 2023-24 school year have been made and teachers, students, and parents are being notified.

High School Principal Mark Brahmer reported of changes being made to the student handbook, the new student orientation on August 8, the class schedule pickup for students on August 1 and 2, laptop checkout, teacher work days, and that the start of school will be August 11.

In his report Superintendent Steffensen gave an overview of repairs and maintenance going on at the school and that the parking lot project will be finishing soon. He will begin to plan the budget for the 2023-24 school year. He would like to have a retreat August 22.

There were no discussion items.

As the first action item directed, Collison moved to approve the handbooks for the 2023-2024 school year. Venteicher seconded. Voting unanimous, motion passed.

For the second action item, Wragge moved and Collison seconded to accept the yearly policy reviews of the 6020 multicultural policy, 5018 parent involvement policy, 5057 Title I parent involvement policy after conducting a hearing, and 3004.1 fiscal management for purchasing and procurement using federal funds. Voting unanimous, motion passed.

As the third action item directed, Freeman moved and Wragge seconded to accept the milk bids from Hiland Dairy and to keep the price of an additional carton of milk at \$.40. Voting unanimous, motion passed.

For the fourth action item, Freeman moved to keep the meal prices the same for the 2023-24 school year. The prices are as follows: K-6 breakfast at \$2.75, lunch at \$3.20. Grades 7-12 breakfast at \$2.90, lunch at \$3.40. Collison seconded. Voting unanimous, motion passed.

Superintendent Steffensen gave an overview of the professional growth opportunities coming up and the topics for next month's meeting.

Wragge moved and Collison seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:06pm.

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