

Monday, November 8, 2021

The Pierce Public School Board of Education met for the regular monthly meeting at 6:30 pm in the board room of Pierce High School. Members present were Ted Krienke, Dan Unseld, Kevin Flesner, Adam Venteicher, Lisa Freeman, and Craig Peters. Also present were Superintendent Kendall Steffensen 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 meetings act pointed out, roll call taken, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

There was no communication or correspondence from the public.

Venteicher moved and Unseld 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.

Reports were given to the board from the high school principal, elementary principal, and activities director.

In his report Superintendent Steffensen spoke of the continued struggle and need to hire more classified staff and that he was able to hire a high school special education paraprofessional.

Payten Simmons from the student council relayed that they had a great turn out for the powderpuff football and volleyball and that they will hear back by December 1 if they will receive the grant for \$17,000 for the electronic sign.

Haiden Magnussen reported for FFA. He said they delivered 120 meals for fixins in the field, they had 12 members attend National FFA Convention, and they will be wrapping up fruit sales in the next couple weeks.

For the first discussion item, we will select a date for the Board of Education/Administration retreat at the January meeting

For the first action item, Flesner moved and Freeman seconded to approve the annual audit, voting unanimous, motion approved.

Chuck Micek presented a bid for insurance through EMC and Town and Country Insurance agency of \$90,875. The ALICAP bid is \$86,752. Flesner moved to table the item until the December meeting, Unseld seconded, voting unanimous, motion passed.

The third action item is the softball storage shed contribution. Flesner moved to donate \$5500 to the softball backers for a shed. Venteicher seconded. Voting unanimous. Motion passed.

Flesner moved, Unseld seconded to go into executive session to discuss teacher negotiations, conduct a board of education self-evaluation, and conduct an evaluation of the superintendent. Voting unanimous, motion passed. The board went into executive session at 7:19pm and came out at 8:10pm.

Peters moved and Unseld seconded to adjourn the meeting. Voting unanimous, the meeting was adjourned at 8:14pm.

Adam Venteicher, Secretary
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