

Monday, September 12, 2022

The Pierce Public School Board of Education met for the regular monthly meeting at 6:30 pm in the commons area 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, High School Principal Mark Brahmer, Activities Director Darren Sindelar, and twenty-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.

Jerald Wachter, Bill Brookhouser, Katie Prince, Scott Abler, Kate Siebrandt, Sheila Abler, Steve Prince, Ayden Thelen, and Jeff Andersen spoke in the public communication and correspondence portion of the meeting.

Venteicher moved and Flesner 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.

Hayden Magnussen and Brielle Unseld spoke on what FFA has done throughout the summer. Many members have competed in livestock judging, setting up for the fair, and competing in the fair. This year there are approximately 70 members on roster.

Amber Sheffl spoke on behalf of the student council. They will be hosting the powder puff activities.

Jordan Kuehler reported of the happenings of the FCCLA including their annual kick-off meeting and September meeting.

Elementary Principal Trent Suehl reported of DIBELS and MAP testing being completed at the elementary as well as the PATS sponsoring their annual cookie dough sale this month. The PreK-2nd students have begun doing Heggerty Phonemic Awareness Curriculum along with regular reading instruction.

High School Principal Mark Brahmer reported of upcoming high school activities, seven new teachers and their roles, and MAP testing.

Activities Director Darren Sindelar reported the number of participants in each activity and the dates of upcoming activities.

In his report Superintendent Steffensen explained the need for a joint public budget hearing on September 27, a special Board of Education meeting will be held on September 28th to approve the budgets and tax requests. September 1st is the start of a new fiscal year. Therefore, end of year financial reports are being completed and Dana F. Cole will be conducting our school district's 2021/22 audit.

There were no discussion items.

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

Unsel moved and Venteicher seconded to adjourn the meeting. Voting unanimous, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.

Adam Venteicher, Secretary
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