

PARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #6
Special Board Meeting
November 5, 2019

The Board of Education of Park County School District No. 6 met on November 5, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in the Westside Annex Board Room. Chairman Rosencranse called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present: Stefanie Bell, Tom Keegan, Brandi Nelson, Cathy Roes, Jenni Rosencranse and Karen Schipfmann. Trustee McCue arrived later. Administrators present: Ray Schulte and Tim Foley. Supervisors and directors present: Terry Gardenhire, Dawn Solberg and Chynna Singer.

Chairman Rosencranse called for approval of the agenda.

Trustee Bell moved to approve the agenda. Trustee Roes seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Superintendent Schulte and MaryAnn DeHaven reviewed district and school improvement plan criteria which are aligned to accreditation. Mrs. DeHaven worked with each school and the district to develop these plans.

Superintendent Schulte listed the individuals who attended the Houston conference hosted by EdLeader21 regarding Portrait of a Graduate. There are 230 plus school districts nationwide that belong to the Battelle for Kids/EdLeader 21 consortium. The Portrait of a Graduate initiative advocates for students to develop skills of: communicator, collaborator, critical thinker and contributor. Attendee, Cathy Roes shared how she was impressed by the focus on life readiness and soft skills. Karen Schipfmann liked the way of “reengineering” education and lots of involvement. Community member, Jessica Case shared that many said it was challenging right at the beginning. Jeremiah Johnston agreed that the biggest challenge would be the “shift” as it’s not a traditional learning environment; everything is collaborative-based. John McCue shared concern about the difficulties involved in implementation, but said the concept teaches kids to be high level learners. Discussion of a facilitator from Battelle for Kids coming for a community stakeholder meeting was held and Superintendent Schulte will present their proposal at the November board meeting.

Trustees reviewed two options for Policy GDBC – Classified/Support Staff Supplementary Pay – Overtime. Discussion about capping comp time was held, as well as what classifications this would affect. Dawn Solberg and Chynna Singer shared information and agreed to revise the policy to incorporate a 40-hour cap and how unused comp time would be paid out. This will be on the agenda for the November 18 board meeting.

Discussion on Policy GDBCA – On-Call Facilities was held and will be placed on the November 18th agenda as a discussion item pending additional information from Human Resources.

Mr. Gardenhire shared design drawings of the proposed new bus facility and shared an estimated funding handout.

Mr. Gardenhire reviewed the district’s most recent 5-Year Maintenance Plan update.

Chair Rosencranse opened discussion about proposed changes to the activities handbook. Trustee Nelson stated it was clear that a policy is needed on this and there is no consistency among coaches on how kids are checked out. Trustees agreed that first and foremost, it should be emphasized that activities are an “extension of the classroom” and the importance of a “team”, however there should be an “extenuating circumstance” clause for taking a student after the culmination of an event to include:

- 24-hour notice, except in extreme emergencies (create a form)
- This would be mandatory
- All coaches must comply

Criteria for students not staying with the team (overnight trips)

- The expectation is that this is a “team”
- Parent requests would be considered, but parents would have to provide travel if they requested alternate lodging.
- 48-hours prior notice is required

Trustees discussed the proposed resolutions that will be introduced at the Wyoming School Boards Association conference November 20-22.

Trustees were reminded of the National School Boards Association conference. They need to notify the board secretary if they are interested in attending.

Trustee Nelson spoke about a follow-up on teacher improvement and wondered if the district should be soliciting feedback from students of their teachers and teachers of their administrators. Discussion about feedback vs. evaluation was held. Mr. Schulte said this topic could go to the evaluation committee.

Board Chair Rosencranse spoke about the procedure for the Beacon Hill property auction. Trustees discussed expectations. Revisions were made to the agenda for the auction.

On motion by Trustee McCue, seconded by Trustee Nelson and carried, the meeting moved into Executive Session at 9:36 p.m. to discuss W.S. 16-4-405(a)(ii) (personnel).

The board reconvened into regular session and on motion by Trustee Nelson and seconded by Trustee Schipfmann, the meeting was adjourned at 11:38 p.m.

Chairman of the Board

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