

Pioneer Regional School Corporation
School Board Meeting Minutes
Pioneer Regional Administration Building

May 11, 2021

The Pioneer School Board met on May 11, 2021 at 6:30 P.M. at the Pioneer Regional Administration Building. Board members present were Lisa Kesling, Denny Herd, Brad Swartzell, Rachelle Pearson and Chandra Felker. Also present were Charles Grable (Superintendent), Beth Stansbury (ES Principal), Jeff Brooke (HS Principal), Deb Swartzell, Jeanie Berkshire, Kenny Wheeldon, Adam Berry, Darren McKaig, Doug Cox (Corporation Attorney), and Lori Kimbrell (Business Affairs Manager/Corporation Treasurer).

Lisa Kesling, School Board President, called the Board Meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Charles Grable recommended the following additions to the Agenda under Personnel 6.D.1.b. Hiring of Kathy Funk – Jr./Sr. HS Special Education Teacher for Life Skills Program. Also, under Personnel 6.D.2.d. Resignation of Lacie Allison – Jr./Sr. HS Teacher, 6.D.2.e. Resignation of Sarah Dorris – ½ Bus Barn & ½ Grounds, and 6.D.2.f. Resignation of Kathy Funk – ES Teacher. He recommended to wait until the June board meeting for the HS Government Class presentation and to move up in Action Items the approval of renovations to the varsity boys' basketball locker room to 7.A. Charles Grable also recommended the following additions to the Agenda under Action Items 7.N. Approval to add a Maintenance & Grounds Position and 7.O. Approval to add a Speech Language Pathologist Assistant Position. The Board approved the Agenda with the recommended changes with a vote of 5-0.

The Board approved the April 13, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes with a vote of 5-0.

The Board approved the May 10, 2021 Executive Session Minutes with a vote of 5-0.

The Board approved claims with dates of 4/14/21 to 5/11/21 and voucher numbers of 3822 to 3927 with a vote of 5-0.

The Board approved to hire Adam Berry – ES Dean of Students with a vote of 5-0.

The Board approved to hire Kathy Funk – Jr./Sr. HS Special Education Teacher for Life Skills Program with a vote of 5-0.

The Board approved the resignation of Jessica Zvers – Jr./Sr. HS Teacher effective at the end of the 2020-21 SY with a vote of 5-0.

The Board approved the resignation of Haleigh Toumine – 8th Grade Volleyball Coach with a vote of 5-0.

The Board approved the resignation of Adam Berry – Jr./Sr. HS Teacher effective at the end of the 2020-21 SY with a vote of 5-0.

The Board approved the resignation of Lacie Allison – Jr./Sr. HS Teacher effective at the end of the 2020-21 SY with a vote of 5-0.

The Board approved the resignation of Sarah Dorris – ½ Bus Barn & ½ Grounds with a vote of 5-0.

The Board approved the resignation of Kathy Funk – ES Teacher effective at the end of the 2020-21 SY with a vote of 5-0.

The Board approved the following donations with a vote of 5-0.

1. The Andersons - \$20.00 to FFA
2. Chad Lambert Youth Athletic Fund - \$1,000.00 to JH Athletic Assistance Fund
3. Cass County Auction House - \$1,000.00 to Baseball
4. Pioneer PTO - \$200.00 to ES Student Council for Fish Fry

The Board approved reorganizing the structure of the maintenance, custodial, and transportation departments to create a new maintenance & grounds position with a starting rate of \$15/hour with a vote of 5-0. In doing so, we would eliminate the shared custodial position. This new position will report to the maintenance director and will help primarily with maintenance and preventative maintenance projects along with some grounds upkeep.

The Board approved adding a speech language pathologist assistant position to help with the high case load of students with a vote of 5-0.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:27 P.M.










