

**PARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #6  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
December 19, 2017**

The Board of Education of Park County School District No. 6 met on December 19, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Westside Annex Board Room. Superintendent Ray Schulte called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present: Stefanie Bell, Rebecca George, Tom Keegan, Jenni Rosencranse, Kelly Simone William Struemke and Scott Weber. Administrators present: Ray Schulte, Tim Foley, Peg Monteith, Jeremiah Johnston, Beth Blatt, Kelly Merager, Patrick Couture and Jay McCarten. Supervisors present: Terry Gardenhire, Gen Sheets and Tom Sarvey.

Superintendent Schulte opened the floor for nominations for board chairperson.

On motion by Rebecca George and seconded by Scott Weber, all officers were recommended to retain their positions for the 2018 school year. There being no further nominations, a unanimous ballot was cast and the 2018 board officers were approved as follows:

Chairman – Kelly Simone  
Vice-Chair – Jenni Rosencranse  
Clerk – Tom Keegan  
Treasurer – Stefanie Bell  
Official Board Spokesperson – Kelly Simone

Chairwoman Simone called for approval of the agenda.

Trustee Bell moved to approve the agenda with the addition of Consent Item 3.11 - Dyrll Anderson Scholarship Fund for Heart Mountain Academy. Tom Keegan seconded. Motion carried to approve the amended agenda.

Jay McCarten announced the employee recognition winner, Erin Thomas, and read the nominations that resulted in her selection.

Chairwoman Simone called for the Ad Hoc Drug Committee Summary.

Diane Ballard and Wendy Morris, along with parent representative, Rick Manchester shared survey results and the committee summary. They spoke about considerations for reinstating the drug testing policy, along with data pertaining to violations from 2012 – 2016. Their conclusions and suggested actions included empowering parents thereby gaining a stronger parent role, and providing drug-testing kits so parents could do the tests at home, and the District providing drug testing at school with parental request. Board members stated the goal is to make a decision by April 2018.

Facilities Director, Terry Gardenhire shared a summary of current work and talked briefly about the district security projects. Board members agreed they would like more detail on security at the January work session. Mr. Gardenhire stated that Black Hills Energy is increasing rates and the district will see an increase in utilities costs effective July 2018. He added that in reference to the CHS elevator bids, the district was able to incorporate a late penalty clause in the contract.

Tom Sarvey presented a budget update. District expenditures at this time are mostly in line with past years with approximately 70% of funds remaining.

Mrs. Simone called for approval of the Consent Agenda.

Trustee Bell moved to approve all consent agenda items including the addition of item 3.11 - Dyrll Anderson Scholarship Fund for Heart Mountain Academy. Tom Keegan seconded. A point of clarification was asked about the public forum. Trustees agreed that Mr. Schulte would review Policy CKA and the accompanying

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regulations, trustees would be seated at tables on the floor of the auditorium, a sign-up sheet would be provided and guests wanting to speak would be permitted two minutes. Motion carried and the following consent agenda items were approved:

- Minutes of November 20, 2017 Board Meeting
- Minutes of November 29, 2017 Special Board Meeting/Work Session
- Minutes of December 5, 2017 Special Board Meeting
- Appointments and Designation of Staff or Agencies:
  - Official Newspaper – Cody Enterprise
  - Hazardous Materials Coordinator – Maintenance Director
  - Title IX Coordinator – Superintendent
  - Bloodborne Pathogen Coordinator – School Nurses
  - Approved the District Nondiscrimination Statement
- 2018 Board Meeting and Special Meeting Dates
- Set Graduation for 2018/19 Calendar for CHS and HMA
  - CHS – June 1, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.
  - HMA – May 30 2019 at 6:00 p.m.
- Set the January Special Meeting/Work Session for January 3, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.
- Set the Public Forum for Firearms Discussion for January 8, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at Wynona Thompson Auditorium
- Approved the bid for the CHS Elevator work from Thyssenkrup in the amount of \$61,599
- Approved the bid for District Summer Lawn Care from Summer Shade in the amount of \$50,000
- Approved a \$20,000 donation from The Dyr L. Anderson Scholarship Fund for Heart Mountain Academy Students

Chairwoman Simone asked for Public Input on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items.

Chris Bosshardt spoke about the substitute proposal and asked the board to get more information. He added that he is opposed to guns in schools.

Bill Tallen congratulated the board on their policy work and the quality of that work.

Karen Schipfman shared that she is a parent and opposes Policy CKA.

On motion by Rebecca George, seconded by Jenni Rosencranse and carried, the following employment recommendations were approved:

**Resignations/Terminations/Retirements**

Daniel Delgado, Custodian, CMS  
Kelly Reese, School Nutrition Assistant, Eastside

**Certified Employment**

Stephanie Gelick, P/T Math (Algebra), CHS

**Classified Employment**

Kaitlyn French, Business Operations Secretary, CHS

**Transfers**

None

**Coaching**

Elicia Osborne, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys BB  
Jake Tuten, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys BB  
Shane Roemmich, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys BB

Larry Gerber, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys BB

On motion by Stefanie Bell, seconded by Rebecca George and carried, the vouchers for payment were approved as follows:

<u>Vouchers for Payment</u>	
General Fund	\$381,860.10
Special Revenue	\$112,216.60
Major Maintenance	\$17,507.00
Capital Construction Account	\$48,406.98
Food Service	\$50,319.28
Cody School Fund	\$58,786.10
Payroll	\$1,760,130.52

Chairwoman Simone called for approval of Wells Fargo and Pinnacle Bank as depositories for school funds.

Jenni Rosencranse motioned to approve Wells Fargo and Pinnacle Bank as depositories. Stefanie Bell seconded the motion and the motion carried to approve Wells Fargo and Pinnacle Bank as depositories.

Chairwoman Simone called for approval for early graduates from Heart Mountain Academy.

On motion by Jenni Rosencranse, seconded by Rebecca George and carried, the students requesting early graduation from Heart Mountain Academy were approved.

Mrs. Simone called for second reading of Policy EGA – Critical Infrastructure Security.

On motion by Stefanie Bell, seconded by Rebecca George and carried, Policy EGA – Critical Infrastructure Security was approved on second and final reading. Trustee Simone added that the policy had to be in place by January 1, 2018. Mr. Foley shared that he will continue to work with Park 1 and Park 16 technology directors and hopes to complete all regulations pertaining to security by June 2018.

Mrs. Simone called for the Farm-to-School Campaign proposal.

Rebecca George motioned to approve the Farm-to-Table campaign proposal. William Struemke seconded the motion. Mrs. Sheets shared information pertaining to the idea of crowdsourcing in order to use local product as well as how the proposal works. Motion carried and the authorization to proceed with the Farm-to-School campaign was approved.

Chairwoman Simone called for the Substitute Teacher Hiring Proposal.

Trustee Rosencranse moved to consider the Substitute Teacher Hiring Proposal. Scott Weber seconded. Superintendent Schulte stated that the proposal is to assist current paraeducators in becoming certified substitutes. Paraeducators would only be asked to fill in for certified teachers when the district cannot find a regular substitute. After some discussion, the board felt these people should not be entered into AESOP, but should be used by building principals in the event there is no sub available. The motion to consider the proposal was approved.

On motion by Jenni Rosencranse, seconded by Rebecca George and carried, a request to change the Substitute Teacher Hiring Proposal to include language that existing paraeducators would not be added to AESOP, but instead added to a list provided to building administration when a regular substitute is not available. Motion carried.

A 5-minute recess was taken.

Chairwoman Simone called for Board Reports.

Mrs. Simone reminded trustees to complete the Disclosure of Interest forms. She shared that a WSBA board training workshop is scheduled for January 20th in Casper and January 13th in Riverton if anyone is interested. She made note of the GATE update and early childhood liaison update and Mr. Schulte said that there would be presentations on both these areas at the January meeting. Board members shared recent meetings and events they had attended.

Mrs. Simone informed board members that a presentation on Policy CKA would be given at the Cody Country Chamber of Commerce luncheon on January 22<sup>nd</sup> at noon and trustees are invited.

Chairwoman Simone called for the Superintendent's report.

Superintendent Schulte shared with trustees the idea of a bus transfer zone on the Beacon Hill property would be tabled because the property was deemed too remote and the challenges of adding another parent pickup zone. He added that the district plans to offer "YakTrax" to employees for safety. He reminded trustees of the Legislative Forum that has been scheduled for January 4<sup>th</sup> from 6-7:30 p.m. in Grizzly Hall at the Park County Library. Representatives Court and Laursen and Senator Coe have been invited. Representative Northrup was not available on that date.

Chairwoman Simone asked for visitor comments.

Mark VanderVeer asked trustees if they had considered that going into lockdown makes students "sitting ducks" and if they are considering alert systems, alternative exits, etc.

Annmarie McMahill asked trustees if drug and alcohol testing would be required on armed carry personnel.

Heather Green stated teachers should not have to maintain guns. The district might rather consider utilizing funding to do mental health screenings.

Niki Tisthammer shared concerns about the contract to carry, but not a contract for work for classified staff.

Shirley Stephens stated she continues to oppose the idea of guns in schools and asked for those others in the audience that feel the same to stand.

There being no further regular business to come before the board, discussion on Policy CKA and accompanying regulations began.

Trustees worked through sections of the current draft of Policy CKA making edits and clarifications.

Trustee Rosencranse stated she would like trustees to consider a direct survey polling parents of students enrolled in the district and a second survey sent to staff after Policy CKA is complete.

Stefanie Bell stated she would still like to have the cost associated with the evaluation, training, etc., insurance information and a life insurance policy taken out on those who are approved to conceal carry on behalf of the district.

On motion by Mr. Weber seconded by Mr. Keegan and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

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Chairman of the Board

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