

PARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #6
Regular Board Meeting
March 20, 2018

The Board of Education of Park County School District No. 6 met on March 20, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. and moved into Executive Session to discuss personnel. The Board resumed the regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Westside Annex Board Room. Chairman Simone 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, Nicholas Gallagher, Jay McCarten, Mike Wood, and supervisors Terry Gardenhire and Tom Sarvey.

On motion by Stefanie Bell, and seconded by Jenni Rosencranse, action to utilize unspent district health insurance monies was added to the agenda along with a reminder that board norms would be reviewed. Motion carried.

Tony Hult announced that student recognition for track and alpine skiing would be moved to the April meeting in order to accommodate students and coaches. He shared that coaches and students have done a great job in all areas this year and introduced Shawn Trotter.

Mr. Trotter recognized All-State Wrestlers Zain Fitzgerald, Dan Beaudrie and Charlie Beaudrie and spoke about how well the wrestling team did this year.

Mr. Johnston asked to move employee recognition for March to the April meeting.

Mr. Wood shared a video from Livingston Elementary that showed the staff focus on the whole child wherein they are incorporating movement throughout the day as well as more work on literacy.

Superintendent Schulte and Chairwoman Simone presented a plaque from the Wyoming Department of Education to Livingston Elementary "for outstanding effort in achieving success for all".

Principal Johnston spoke about the ACT Aspire test stating that it is an interim test that provides a look at student progress. It provides teachers with internal information on how they can help individual students in areas that they may be lacking.

Assistant Superintendent Foley and teacher, Marie Dove, spoke about potential new social studies resources for consideration and requested they be put on 45-day public review at the Park County Library March 28 through May 11, 2018. This allows the public opportunity to review the resources before purchasing. Estimated cost will be around \$100,000.

Mr. Gardenhire shared a list of projects that are currently being advertised as well as projects that are pending bid award. Trustee Bell asked Mr. Gardenhire if he would look for an alternative product for the middle school gym divider again, in hopes something affordable could be found, particularly considering the amount of use of the gym.

Mr. Sarvey gave a budget update stating that spending as of February 2018 is pretty much where it was expected. He explained that some large items have yet to be purchased, but to-date, everything appears relatively normal.

Chairman Simone called for action on the consent agenda.

Trustee Rosencranse moved to approve all consent agenda items. Trustee George seconded the motion. Motion carried and the following consent items were approved:

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- Minutes of February 20, 2018 board meeting
- Executive Session minutes of March 8, 2018
- Awarded the bid for carpet replacement to Big Horn Carpet in the amount of \$135,850
- Awarded the bid for gym floor maintenance coating to Showtime Floors in the amount of \$20,000
- Awarded the bid for the CMS Commons floor in-fill to Filener Construction in the amount of \$83,262
- Approved an Isolation Mileage Reimbursement Request for Elizabeth Hagen – 36 miles/day
- Authorized the Public Display of Social Studies Resources
- Reappointed Business Manager, Tom Sarvey, to the SRRP Board through June 30, 2021 (3-Yr. Term)

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

The following community members gave public input:

- Woody Wilkerson
- Janine Jackson
- Bill Tallen
- Rebecca Patrick

The board adjourned for a 5-minute recess.

The meeting resumed and on motion by Rebecca George, seconded by William Struemke and carried, the board acknowledged receipt of a petition of 671 names in support of Policy CKA with response to be reflected by vote (Item 5.5) later in the meeting.

on motion by Trustee Rosencranse, seconded by Trustee George and carried, the following employment recommendations were approved:

Resignations/Terminations/Retirements

Janene Torgerson, Special Education Teacher, SS
 Stacy Kroeker, 3rd Grade Teacher, ES
 Amy Fulton, GATE, District
 Casie Dimsey, 3rd Grade Teacher, ES
 Debbie Nidiffer, School Nutrition Assistant, SS
 Erin Thomas, Instructional Facilitator, SS
 Ben Schneider, Special Services Paraeducator, SS
 Rachel Hetler, Route Driver, Transportation
 Mark McKenna, Art Teacher, CHS
 John Samuels, Special Education Teacher, CMS

Certified Employment

Sean Conaway, STEM Teacher, CMS

Transfers

Angie Foley, from Life Skills to SpEd Resources, at Sunset

Coaching

Erika Quick, Assistant Girls Soccer, CHS
 Jacob Kraft, Head Golf, CHS

On motion by Trustee Bell, seconded by Trustee Keegan and carried, the vouchers for payment were approved as follows:

<u>Vouchers for Payment</u>	
General Fund	\$366,039.22

Special Revenue	\$83,725.48
Major Maintenance	\$62,320.26
Capital Construction Account	\$0.00
Food Service	\$70,924.47
Cody School Fund	\$34,870.09
Payroll	\$1,810,742.95

Chairman Simone called for action on one-year contract extensions.

On motion by Stefanie Bell, seconded by Tom Keegan and carried, the following employees received one-year contract extensions to June 30, 2020:

Tim Foley, Asst. Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction
 Peg Monteith, Director of Student Support Services
 Jeremiah Johnston, Cody High School Principal
 Kelly Merager, Cody Middle School Principal
 Mike Wood, Livingston Elementary School Principal/Valley School Principal
 Nicholas Gallagher, Eastside Elementary School Principal
 Jay McCarten, Sunset Elementary School Principal

Chairman Simone called for action on one-year only contracts.

On motion by Stefanie Bell, seconded by Tom Keegan and carried, the following employees received one-year only contracts to June 30, 2019:

Tony Hult, Activities Director
 Patrick Couture, CMS Asst. Principal/Wapiti Principal
 Beth Blatt, Asst. CHS Principal/Heart Mountain Academy Principal
 Tom Sarvey, Business Manager

Stefanie Bell moved that the board utilize the remaining funds in the 2017-18 budget intended for employee health insurance be utilized and that these remaining funds provide for the employee/employer portion for scheduled monthly premiums for March, April, May and June 2018. Rebecca George seconded. Motion carried.

Chairman Simone called for second reading of Policy CKA – Firearms: Personnel Authorized to Carry.

Trustee George motioned to move Policy CKA from 2nd to 3rd reading with minor edits. Trustee Struemke seconded the motion. Trustee Rosencranse suggested the board consider a civil liability policy for staff who are approved to carry and will visit with the district’s attorney about her suggestion. Trustees discussed several edits that enhanced language but did not change the overall meaning.

Trustee Bell amended the motion to state “Policy CKA shall apply to the rural schools serving Park County School District No. 6 and all district employees serving in contracted non-instructional positions.” Tom Keegan seconded. Jenni Rosencranse offered alternate language for the amendment. William Struemke called for a roll call vote. Stefanie Bell, Tom Keegan and Kelly Simone – yes. Scott Weber, William Struemke, Jenni Rosencranse and Rebecca George – no. Amendment failed.

Mrs. Bell offered a second amendment that “additionally, the Park No. 6 Board of Trustees begin immediately to work with local law enforcement, community, and country entities to provide increased school security in district building. This robust effort shall consider community and governmental agencies as partners in seeking sustainable funding, donations, and grants.” This recommendation was posed in hopes of securing funding for additional school resource officers. Tom Keegan seconded.

Jenni Rosencranse agreed this would be a wonderful asset, but questioned how it would be funded. A discussion about a general purpose tax ensued along with the lengthy process it would take to get the tax on a ballot to the public.

Rebecca George agreed the amendment was a good idea, but not as part of Policy CKA. She suggested the creation of a task force or ad hoc committee. Members agreed that while it is a good idea, it poses a large financial obstacle.

Mrs. Bell withdrew her amendment and agreed to forward her idea to Superintendent Schulte.

Chairman Simone called for a vote on the original motion. After trustees shared individual thoughts, Trustee Struemke called for a roll call vote. Stefanie Bell and Tom Keegan – no. Scott Weber, William Struemke, Kelly Simone, Rebecca George and Jenni Rosencranse – yes. Motion carried and Policy CKA was moved from 2nd to 3rd reading.

Scott Weber moved to vote on all regulations in one motion and move them from 2nd to 3rd reading. William Struemke seconded.

Trustees reviewed and made minor edits to the regulations.

The vote was called for. Stefanie Bell and Tom Keegan – no. Scott Weber, William Struemke, Kelly Simone, Rebecca George and Jenni Rosencranse – yes. Motion carried and regulations CKA-R1 through CKA-R5 were moved from 2nd to third reading.

Chairman Simone called for Board Reports.

Individual trustees shared their recent participation in various district events. Mrs. Bell asked for board permission to begin planning for the district retirement party. Permission granted. Discussion on student protests was shared.

Chairman Simone called for the Superintendent's Report.

Mr. Schulte shared a staffing update as well as legislative information. He reminded the board that the student drug testing policy would be back up for discussion in April and that the 3x3 committee would be discussion national board certified teacher pay procedures.

Mrs. Bell shared that she had encouraged the classified participatory management council to visit with the board after the regular April meeting.

There being no further action to come before the board, on motion by Trustee Struemke, seconded by Trustee Weber and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Chairman of the Board

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