

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE PLATTE-GEDDES SCHOOL
DISTRICT #11-5 BOARD OF EDUCATION
MONDAY, JULY 12, 2021**

President J. Sondgeroth called the regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Platte-Geddes School District #11-5 to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 12, 2021, in the Library at the Platte-Geddes High School. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Jess Sondgeroth, Ross Varilek, Duke Starr, Heather VanDerWerff, Dennis DeBoer, Roxi Summerville, Ross Van Zee

Members absent: None

Others present: Superintendent Joel Bailey, Business Manager Kathy Holter, Mark Petersen, Gavin Benson, Cody Kinnischtzke and Jason Huizenga. Via Zoom: Sharon Huizenga, Lisa Millar

Additions or deletions to this agenda

The presentation by SiteLogiQ was moved up on the agenda immediately following the approval of the Consent Agenda.

Approve agenda

Motion D. Starr, seconded R. Van Zee approving the agenda as amended. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Approve Consent Agenda

Motion R. Varilek, seconded R. Summerville approving the following consent agenda:

- Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on Monday, June 14, 2021
- Minutes of the Special Board Meeting on Monday, June 14, 2021
- Authorize Payment of June 30th Expensed Payables and Regular Claims for July 20, 2021
- Approve Report of Cash Transactions dated 06/30/2021

All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Participation

None

Routine Business

SiteLogiQ Facilities Assessment Presentation

Representatives Gavin Benson and Cody Kinnischtzke from SiteLogiQ presented information they received from conducting a facilities assessment. Information shared with the board included age of buildings, asset condition assessment, indoor air quality, acoustics and sound, ADA concerns, safety and security, and interior and exterior building assessments. Facility improvement measures and options were also presented.

Good News Report

Cedar Grove Colony School has been selected to participate in Scholastic Book Clubs' pilot program called the United States of Readers. The program is partnering with James Patterson, the author, to promote reading in Title I Schools. The program will provide every Cedar Grove student the chance to choose two books five times during the school year. In addition, every classroom teacher will receive 5 books with every shipment. There is no cost for participation in the program.

Superintendent Report

Supt. Bailey has been working with Blake Harms from Brosz Engineering on the upcoming chip and seal project. The initial plan was to have Commercial Asphalt complete the necessary repairs on the north parking lot at the elementary and then chip and seal it. However current conditions make it difficult to identify where the repairs should begin and end. Supt. Bailey will meet with him tomorrow to discuss the project.

An estimate was received from Harms on chip and sealing the north parking lot at the athletic complex. The estimate includes a prime coat and double chip seal on top of the prime. It does not include blading, shaping, or compacting the gravel prior to application. Unfortunately, there is no prime coat being done this year in Platte so the district will need to contact Astech directly for this service. The total estimate, excluding the items listed above, is \$26,519.07.

Supt. Bailey is working on the district Safe Return to In-Person School and ARP Plans as required by the CRRSA ESSER III Grant. The ARP Plan template from the Department of Education was just received last week. Supt. Bailey would like to schedule a special board meeting in late July or early August to approve both plans. The plans will need to be posted and available for public comment.

The Department of Education has informed all public schools that there will be a new homeschool notification system available for use on July 20, 2021. This will replace the paper forms that home school families have completed previously. Districts were advised to assume that home school students from last school year will keep the same status and should be allowed to participate in extracurricular activities. For new homeschool students wanting to participate in activities and/or the state's dual credit program, the department of education will provide a paper version notification form that will be accessible on the Home Schooling webpage until the online notification system is ready. Supt. Bailey is requesting that any current homeschool families that want to participate in extracurricular activities please contact the high school business office. Homeschool students participating in activities will be held to the same standards and rules as enrolled students.

Mrs. Knecht, Mrs. Holter, and Supt. Bailey attended the Wild West Leadership Conference in June. They had the privilege of attending two sessions with the keynote speaker, Dr. John Draper. His first session was "Turning Negative Heat into Positive Energy" and the second session was "Crucial Conversations About America's Schools". Both presentations were great and very inspiring.

Supt. Bailey will be attending the state superintendent's conference on July 19-21 in Chamberlain. The majority of the conference will be based around leadership training and led by John and Antoinette Griffin (4-part presentation). Specific sessions include Leading your Team and Leading when you are not the boss (working with school boards). Other events include large and small school meetings, presentations by the Secretary of Education, Tiffany Sanderson, and Dr. Kristi Wilson, AASA past president.

Supt. Bailey will also attend an Early Learning Symposium in Park City, Utah on October 21-22 hosted by the Waterford Early Learning Organization. There will be no cost to the district for his attendance.

Business Manager Report

The Platte-Geddes School District annual report was filed with the state on Friday, July 9th. K. Holter reviewed several reports with the board of education. The monthly cash balance survey, teacher compensation report, district fund summary and district financial statements were distributed and explained. The overall health of the district is good, however the General Fund did deficit spend by \$346,522.36. After moving the interest from the Capital Outlay, Special Education, and Impact Aid Funds and transferring \$250,000.00 from the Capital Outlay Fund, the General Fund realized a loss of \$11,479.88. The Capital Outlay Fund increased its fund balance by approximately \$544,400.00, the Special Education Fund decreased its fund balance by \$206,600.00, and the Food Service Fund increased its fund balance by over \$33,000.00. The Teacher Compensation and Monthly Cash Balance requirements were both met this year.

Mid Central Educational Coop Report

R. Summerville reported on the Mid Central Coop meeting held earlier in the day.

Core Educational Coop Report

Supt. Bailey reported on the recent meeting of the Core Educational Cooperative.

Budget Hearing

Time was allowed at 8:09 p.m. for a hearing on the proposed 2021-2022 budget, in accordance with SDLC 13-11-02.

Approve 2020-2021 Annual Report

Motion D. Starr, seconded D. DeBoer approving the 2020-2021 Platte-Geddes School District Annual Report. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion R. Van Zee, seconded D. DeBoer to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

President

Business Manager