

PARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 6
Special Board Meeting
August 10, 2021

The Board of Education of Park County School District No. 6 met on August 10, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. in the Westside Annex Board Room. Chair Nelson called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present: Stefanie Bell, , Tom Keegan, Brandi Nelson, Cathy Roes, Karen Schipfmann and Sheri Schutzman. Jessica Case participated via phone. Administrators present: Tim Foley, Jared Moretti, Nathan Tedjeske and Jacob Gogan. Directors present: Chynna Singer.

Chair Nelson called for approval of the agenda.

On motion by Trustee Schipfmann, seconded by Trustee Roes and carried, the agenda was approved.

Steve Donham, health coach and manager, gave a presentation regarding Healthy Is and offered three contract options. He spoke about how the program works, shared participation information and stated he would like to find more ways to incentivize staff to participate. Trustees asked about seasonal participation data, equitability among all employees and requested a breakdown of what the various pricing includes. Trustee Roes asked about the 2020/2021 contract that included payment for two summer months. No decisions were made pending further information.

Chair Nelson called for approval of the consent agenda.

On motion by Cathy Roes, seconded by Karen Schipfmann and carried, the following employment recommendations were approved.

Certified Employment:

Resignations/Terminations/Retirements

Julianna Pronesti, Special Education Teacher, Livingston

Certified Employment

Sarah Magargal, Computer Science Teacher, Eastside
Elizabeth, Ryzewicz, Broadcast Journalism Teacher, CHS
Jodi Adams, Title I Teacher, Livingston
Amy Couture, Special Education Teacher, Livingston

Transfers

Amy Preston, Title I Teacher, ES to Title I Teacher, SS
Claire Wetzel, 3rd Grade Teacher, Livy to Title I Teacher, ES
Greer Clark, Reading Teacher to 3rd Grade Teacher, Livingston

Classified Employment:

Resignations/Terminations/Retirements

Sammi Eakins, Severe Needs Paraeducator, CHS
Stephanie Reese, Special Education Paraeducator, CMS
Matthew Martins, Permanent Support Specialist, CHS
Crystal Hernandez, Paraeducator, Livingston
Ruby Woods, Paraeducator, Eastside
Leland Baer, Bus Driver, Transportation

Classified Employment

Winnifred (Marie) Bahr, School Nutrition Assistant, CMS

Chair Nelson called for discussion of Governor Gordon's recent press release and spoke about the board leadership recommendation.

Trustees discussed various aspects including, but not limited to masks, social distancing, mask availability, cleaning protocols, transportation and maintaining continuous communication. The board leadership recommendation resulted in the following:

“The decision has been made that we will return to school as we ended school in May.

- Masks will be recommended but not required. We believe everyone has a personal choice and those choices must be respected.
- Park 6 will continue to work with the Park County Public Health Officer and our local healthcare leaders.
- We will strive to maintain social distancing of 3-6 feet when possible.
- Cleaning protocols will be maintained at the level of the 2020-2021 school year.
- Due to current Federal transportation requirements students will be required to wear masks when traveling on school buses, this will include travel to sporting events and activities. This will be re-evaluated if the Federal requirement is changed.“

Chair Nelson called for review of Policy IKF – Graduation Requirements.

Trustee Bell noted that Policy IKFA – Early Graduation had been incorporated into Policy IKF, therefore Policy IKFA would be recommended for deletion and added that the board has final approval. She also noted that COVE would be considered the same as Cody High School. First readings should be viewed as a clean copy and any further revisions would appear during first to second reading.

Chair Nelson called for review of Policy JH – Student Absences and Excuses.

Trustee Keegan shared his concern regarding the details of excused absences as it pertains to state statute.

Trustee Bell said she would visit with legal counsel.

Chair Nelson called for review of Policy JHB – Truancy.

Trustee Bell stated that the only changes that had been made were for consistency.

Chair Nelson called for review of Policy IMB – Teaching About Controversial Issues.

Trustee Bell shared that clarifying language had been inserted and a paragraph eliminated.

Chair Nelson called for review of the Cody Middle School student handbook.

Principal, Nathan Tedjeske and assistant principal, Jacob Gogan, shared that while a few clarifying changes had been made, nothing hugely overt had been changed but links to state statutes had been added.

Chair Nelson called for dates and times for the four board committees for 2021/2022.

Academic Support selected the first Wednesday of each month at 10:30 a.m., meeting for 90 minutes in the boardroom.

Performance and Monitoring selected the second Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m., meeting for 60 minutes in the boardroom.

Operations selected the first Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m., meeting for 60 minutes in the board room.

Finance selected the fourth Monday of each month meeting at 1:00 p.m., meeting for 60 minutes in the superintendent’s conference room.

Mr. Foley stated these dates would all be added into a calendar and shared. Angie Page will be the note taker and Liz Brink will do the policy work.

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Chair Nelson called for approval of the CMS student handbook.

On motion by Tom Keegan, seconded by Cathy Roes and carried, the CMS handbook was approved.

Chair Nelson stated there was no need for the executive session that had been scheduled.

On motion by Stefanie Bell, seconded by Sheri Schutzman and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Chairman of the Board

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