

MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1

Board of Education Minutes – Regular Meeting

September 27, 2021

Due to COVID-19 precautions, community members wishing to observe the meeting may use the following link: <https://meet.google.com/zte-dnrr-vs2>

The Secretary called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mrs. Urista called roll. Those present were Tom Allen, Kevin Amack-online, Bill de Vergie-online, Bob Dorsett, Laurie Whiteman-Kendall and David Smith

Absent: Bud Ridings

Mr. Allen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Smith moved to approve Revised Agenda with addition of Action Item 4. Approval: Expenditure out of Capital Reserve up to \$15,000 for water heater replacement at Meeker Elementary School. Mrs. Whiteman-Kendall seconded the motion. Roll call vote: all members aye.

Student Celebrations:

Meeker Elementary celebrated the first “B” Party where students are awarded for “Being” courteous, respectful, etc. Mrs. Pugh’s class won this first party.

Staff Recognition:

The District has three staff members working towards Alternative Licensure. All three staff members earned their credentials towards this licensure.

General Public Comments:

There was no General Public Comments.

Public/Committee Reports:

DAC – Reviewed the Strategic Vision, UIP, Board Candidate Forum, and DAC Goals for the new year.

MEF – A golf tournament from the prior weekend donated the proceeds towards the MEF Fund. Some small grants were awarded. The Fairfield Trust found out that it could donate more funds towards MEF and sent another \$65,000. The Fairfield grant timeline changed from October to September.

BOCES – Received a Gifted and Talented presentation from the new GT coordinator for BOCES. Improvement in the GT program is looking great with the new Director. Employee policies are being updated so that they are uniform across both districts.

Principal Reports:

BMS is still looking for a Boys’ Basketball Coach.

Superintendent Report:

BMS is in desperate need of a Boys’ Basketball Coach.

Finances include the annual payment to BOCES. Century Link is still a vendor until we get cellular dialers in the elevators.

Specific Ownership taxes are a bit higher than typical at this time.

The Candidate Forum update will be discussed with the student group that is hosting this forum.

School Safety - The HS has intentionally and accidentally tested the security system and it does work.

Teacher Licensure requirements have changed. There is a requirement for anyone who teaches in a READ Act school, to have some READ Act approved professional development hours. All teachers must have the extra ELL endorsement on their licensure, which includes 45 hours of training. Currently licensure updates include a 10 hour Special Education training, ELL update, and the READ Act update. The District will not receive READ Act funds if the respective teachers in K-5 are not up to date with these trainings.

Consent Agenda:

1. Approval: Minutes from Regular Board Meeting on August 23, 2021 – noting change on Action Item 4 approval motion by Mr. Smith, second by Mr. Allen.
2. Approval: Minutes from Special Board Meeting on September 13, 2021
3. Acceptance: Financial Reports and Check Vouchers for August 2021

Mr. Smith moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 1-3, along with updates to the August 23, 2021 changes. Dr. Dorsett seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

Action Items:

1. Approval: Personnel - Title I Paraprofessional - Jordan Brown
2. Approval: [2021-2022 Student Fee Schedule](#)

Mrs. Whiteman-Kendall moved to approve Action Item 1 and 2 with a second from Mr. Smith. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

3. Approval: [Expenditure out of Capital Reserve up to \\$13,000 for carpet tiles at BMS](#)
4. Approval: Expenditure out of Capital Reserve up to \$15,000 for water heater replacement at Meeker Elementary School.

Mr. Smith moved to approve Action Items 3 and 4, with a second from Mrs. Whiteman-Kendall. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

Other BOE Information:

1. Construction Update - The District is close to being complete on all projects. The vestibule is completed at the MS. Some programming will still be needed and also exterior hardware and possibly the exterior doors could still to be replaced. HVAC updates are still underway. The restrooms at the stadium are slated to be used for Homecoming. There are still a few warranty updates happening at the High School.

2. COVID-19 Protocols - Not many changes have taken place since the original protocol, except home testing kits were put on Facebook for availability. In school FLU shots will be available soon as well.

3. Unified Improvement Plan - This plan is required by State Statute and must be updated every other year. The plans are due October 15. The Board will approve this plan at our October meeting. This plan typically revolves around assessment data and specific sub groups are also detailed for growth on this plan. Keeping focus on student learning is part of the third goal.

4. Policy First Reading

- a. CASB Recommended Updates
- b. ADA - School District Educational Objectives
- c. GCE/GCF-R, GDE/GDF, GDE/GDF-R - Personnel Hiring Policies
- d. GDD - Support Staff Vacations and Holidays

Executive Session:

No Executive Session needed.

Adjournment:

Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Kevin Amack, Vice-President

Tom Allen, Secretary

Bill deVergie, Member

Bob Dorsett, Member

Laurie Whiteman-Kendall, Member

Mr. Smith, Member