

McPHERSON CO SCHOOL BOARD MEETING..... August 13, 2019

The District #90 Board of Education was called to order by President Neal at 7:01 pm. Neal led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call of members present: Toni Powers, Lana Watson, Luke Connell, Will Coffman & Trent Neal. Absent: Chris Schultis. President Neal noted that the open meetings law was posted in the room and asked if anyone was recording the meeting. No recordings. Legal notice of the meeting was posted at the customary sites on August 7, 2019.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Watson moved to approve the agenda. Coffman second. President Neal read the conflict of interest statement and all members on the list for the month signed it. Voting: Aye – Watson, Coffman, Powers, Connell, & Neal. Nay - none. Motion carried.

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS:** No visitors spoke.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Housing/Facility/Transportation: Both buses have passes inspection and are ready for the new year

Negotiation/Finance: No new report

Americanism/Multiculturalism/Curriculum/Policy: Each board received a hard copy of the policies.

Marketing: Would like to see the student of the month highlighted more. Maybe why they were chosen as student of the month and teacher of the month.

Co-op: The co-op committee has a meeting on September 4, 2019 at 7pm in Tryon. Some items that will need to be discussed are declaring 6- or 8-man next year and clarification on the eligibility requirements.

Chris Schultis arrived at 7:06 pm

Principal: Principal Brownfield praised Jency Starr for her work with National FBLA. Mrs. Brownfield gave the board the list of sponsors for the year. Student fees were updated. Karen Haase will be at the school for presentation on September 19 & 20. Principal Brownfield requested clarification on field trips which the board provided her.

Superintendent: Superintendent Jeppson informed the board that the audit will be finished September 23. Asked the board how they felt about pick up at the mall for just one student. Consensus of the board was to suspend the Mall pickup indefinitely and just pick up at Cody Park. We will be under budget around \$150,000 for the 2018-2019-year vs \$90,000 Superintendent Jeppson thought at the last meeting.

**POLICY:**

Powers moved to approve 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of new Policy 2110 & AR-2110 (Superintendent Job Description and duties) and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of new Policy 2210.1 & AR-2210.1 (Principal job description & duties) Watson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Voting: Aye- Powers, Watson, Connell, Coffman, Schultis & Neal. Nay-None. Motion carried.

Powers moved to update resolution and appendix on policy 5105.3 for current school year. This should be done every year with a vote by the board in February. Schultis 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Voting: Aye- Powers, Schultis, Watson, Connell, Coffman & Neal. Nay-None. Motion carried.

## DISCUSS & TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS:

#1. Propane Contract. Option 1 received by Neal Oil was to prepay 4000 gallons @ \$1.06/gal for a total of \$4240. Option 2 was to pay as you go for 4000 gallons @ \$1.11/gal. Powers made a motion to prepay 4000 gallons @ \$1.06/gal for a total of \$4240. Watson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Voting: Aye- Powers, Watson, Connell, Coffman & Schultis. Nay-None. Abstain-Neal. Motion carried.

#2. FBLA. Jency Starr asked the board if it would be ok to invite Stapleton students to join our FBLA program since they no longer have one. The consensus of the board was to allow her and Renee Connell to approach Stapleton and see if they would be interested and then bring the details back to the board for us to vote on.

#3. Wood Working Bench 38"x8'. Superintendent Jeppson and Mr. Simmons requested the board purchase a woodworking bench for the shop class for \$3150 + \$229 shipping. Connell made a motion to purchase the bench for \$3379.00. Powers 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Voting: Aye- Connell, Powers, Watson, Coffman, Schultis & Neal. Nay-None. Motion carried.

#4. Student Fees. Powers made a motion to approve updated fees as discussed. Watson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Voting: Aye- Powers, Watson, Coffman, Schultis Connell & Neal. Nay-None. Motion carried.

#5. Student Handbook. Connell made a motion to approve updated handbook for students. Watson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Voting: Aye- Connell, Watson, Coffman, Schultis, Powers & Neal. Nay-None. Motion carried.

#6. Hire Science Teacher. Schultis moved to hire Taylor Gumb as 7-12<sup>th</sup> grade science teacher. Connell 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Voting: Aye- Schultis, Connell, Watson, Coffman, Powers & Neal. Nay-None. Motion carried.

#7. Accept Teacher Resignation. Watson moved to accept the transcribed voice message resignation from Tucker Hicks since he will not mail in a written one. He never completed the paperwork with the state to become a certified teacher. Schultis 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Voting: Aye- Watson, Schultis, Connell, Coffman, Powers & Neal. Nay-None. Motion carried.

#8. Purchase Computer Etching Machine. Superintendent Jeppson applied for and was awarded a Carl Perkins grant for \$3214.98. He would like to use the grant to purchase the CNC machine for \$3599.99 and have the district pay the difference of \$385.01. Watson moved to purchase the machine with the grant and the difference paid for by the district. Powers 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Voting: Aye- Watson, Powers, Schultis, Connell, Coffman, & Neal. Nay-None. Motion carried.

#9. Accept Window Bid. The school received a bid for 4 new windows in the new addition for around \$10,000. The board requested that Mr. Jeppson get some more bids or maybe see if someone local would be willing to install windows for way less.

#10. Sell School Property. Superintendent Jeppson would like to get rid of the old high jump mat. It has started to get rotten and the stuffing is coming out. The board said that it could be given away if someone wanted it or just thrown away if not taken. It was not worth trying to sell.

#11. Superintendent resignation. Mr. Dana Jeppson turned in his resignation effective June 30, 2020. Powers moved to accept resignation with regret and thank him for his years of service at McPherson County Schools. Schultis 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Voting: Aye- Powers, Schultis, Watson, Connell, Coffman, & Neal. Nay-None. Motion carried.

The board will hold a budget and tax levy hearing on September 5, 2019 @ 7:30 pm.

The next regular board meeting will be September 12, 2019 @ 7pm.

Connell made a motion to adjourn at 8:05 pm. Coffman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Voting: Aye- Connell, Coffman, Powers, Watson, Schultis and Neal. Nay-None. Motion carried.