

Tonasket School District #404
“Focused on Learning, Linking Learning to Life”

School Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 31, 2018
In the Board Room at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Joyce Fancher with Sharron Cox, Clint Duchow, and Ernesto Cerrillo present. Superintendent Steve McCullough and secretary Janet Glanzer were present. Administrators present were Holly Haugan and Brian Ellis. Also present were Andy Jones, Kim Fitzthum, Rick Fitzthum, Jack Denison, Katie Teachout, Aaron Kesler. Jerry Asmussen joined by phone.

FLAG SALUTE

Chair Joyce Fancher led the flag salute at 7:00 p.m.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Board Action: Ernesto Cerrillo moved to reorder the agenda to move New Business to follow the Consent Agenda. Jerry Asmussen seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Board Action: Ernesto Cerrillo moved to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2017, December 20, 2017 and the January 17, 2018 school board meetings as presented. Sharron Cox seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS

Aaron Kesler expressed concerns regarding high school graduation being held the same weekend as Founder's Day. He would like the board to consider changing the date of graduation commenting that a Sunday graduation would be a good option.

BOARD APPRECIATION

Steve McCullough thanked the board members for their work on the school board and presented them with certificates of appreciation for their service to the students of Tonasket School District.

CONSENT AGENDA

Board Action: Jerry Asmussen moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Clint Duchow seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

REPORTS

Superintendent

Steve McCullough reported that four staff members earned their National Board Certification. The cold and flu bug continues to hit our school and Nurse Barb Warfield has been tracking and notifies the health department any time 10% of our students are out with illness. Mr. McCullough reported that there are no recommended changes to the sexual harassment policy. There is now a sexual harassment form available on the website.

High School

Brian Ellis reported that his leadership team met today and worked on accreditation. He provided information about the 21st Century Grant. Diego Laguna is the coordinator and will be working with MS and HS students. Diego has hired HS tutors to work with students through the program. Bertha Villa is the coordinator in the elementary school. The trip to San Antonio was a great trip. Mr. Ellis shared information about the trip.

Financial Reports

Bobbi Catone attended by phone and reviewed the financial reports.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2018 EPO Levy and Capital Levy

Andy Jones provided an update of the levy committee activities. Committee discussion and recommendations: 1) be up front about the capital projects levy; 2) be ready to explain the ALE building replacement paid for from the district funds; 3) dig deep to find out what the community will pass; 4) emphasize to the community that the district is doing its best to economize; 5) district is not going for Cadillacs, but going for good solid, attractive projects that will do the job but not cost a lot of money; 6) if it's possible, set the capital levy amount when added to the EPO levy amount, to equal the current levy amount. The next levy committee meeting is tomorrow at 5:00 PM.

NEW BUSINESS

Fuel Bids

Jack Denison presented information on the fuel bids with the recommendation to accept the bid from Whitely Fuel.

Board Action: Jerry Asmussen moved to accept the fuel bids from Whitely Fuel. Ernesto Cerrillo seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Instructional Materials Committee

Kim Fitzthum presented the IMC materials.

Title I and LAP Plans and Special Education Report

Holly Haugan presented the Title I and LAP plans and the special education report.

Board Action: Jerry Asmussen moved to approve the Title I and LAP plans as presented. Ernesto Cerrillo seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Superintendent Contract

Board Action: Clint Duchow moved to extend the superintendent's contract by one year and to extend the evaluation period past February 1. Jerry Asmussen seconded the motion. The vote by roll call:

Sharron Cox	Yes
Clint Duchow	Yes
Joyce Fancher	Yes
Ernesto Cerrillo	Yes
Jerry Asmussen	Yes

The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

ALE Portables

Steve McCullough provided information on the ALE portables purchase.

Board Action: Clint Duchow moved to approve the purchase of ALE portables for the amount of \$371,512.54 as presented. Sharron Cox seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

BOARD POLICY UPDATES

Second Reading: 2410 and 2441

Brian Ellis presented information on policy 2410 HS Graduation Requirements. Mr. Ellis reviewed the Culminating Project survey results. Discussion was held on graduation requirements and the value of keeping or eliminating the culminating project requirement.

Board Action: Jerry Asmussen moved to approve the second reading of Policy 2410. Ernesto Cerrillo seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

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Brian Ellis presented information on recommended changes for policy 2441 Valedictorian/Salutatorian Selection Process. Mr. Ellis commented that the Honor Society has started up again in the HS.

Board Action: Jerry Asmussen moved to approve the second reading of Policy 2441. Clint Duchow seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

MISCELLANEOUS

Committee Reports

Clint Duchow and Steve McCullough attended the Legislative Conference last week and provided a report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – None

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Joyce Fancher adjourned the meeting at 9:56 p.m.



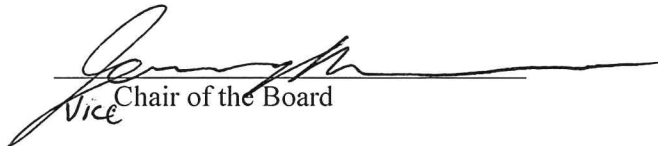
Janet Glanzer

Assistant Secretary

The minutes of the January 31, 2018 regular board meeting (3 pages) were approved at the February 28, 2018 board meeting.



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