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

School Board Meeting Minutes Friday, July 26, 2019 In the Boardroom at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Chair Jerry Asmussen with Ernesto Cerrillo, Joyce Fancher and Sharron Cox present. Superintendent Steve McCullough and secretary Janet Glanzer were present. Administrators present were Lilly Martin, Kristi Krieg, Trisha Roach, and Holly Haugan. Also present were Bobbi Catone, Brenda Mitchell, Martha Wisdom, Jim Huckaby, Jennie Wilson, George Hill, Jackie Gliddon, Teresa Hawkins, Maria Gonzalez, Roger Castelda, Evelia Zabreznik, Brittany Jones, Mr. Roach, Sochi Flores, and Katie Weller.

FLAG SALUTE

Chair Jerry Asmussen led the flag salute at 7:06 p.m.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Delete first reading of Policy 3200.

HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS

George Hill commented that the CTE advisory meeting was held and everything looks good and on track. He expressed appreciation to Steve.

CONSENT AGENDA

<u>Board Action</u>: Ernesto Cerrillo moved to approve the consent agenda presented. Sharron Cox seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

REPORTS

Financial Reports

Bobbi Catone reviewed the financial reports.

Superintendent Report

Steve McCullough reported that the HVAC system is moving along well. The administrative team is meeting for a retreat tomorrow to prepare for the new school year and Double R Ranch is hosting them. Mr. McCullough expressed appreciation to Kent Clark and Double R Ranch. Chartwells was the only food service bid received so the district is moving through the process of accepting their bid. The new emergency flipcharts will be reviewed with the district's EOP committee in August and will be ready for staff training at the beginning of the school year. Mr. McCullough attended a community engagement meeting with the hospital, the chamber and representatives from several areas of the community. The goal of the meeting was to discuss how to help our community grow in the area of solving difficult problems together. The group asked that a board member be part of the group. The next meeting will be held on August 8.

Mr. McCullough commented that the annual Public Information report is provided in June regarding student learning and then the financial year end report in the fall. He provided the annual Property and Data Management report. Random select district inventories are done to ensure inventories are being completed annually. Affirmative Action goals were set in 2015 and Mr. McCullough will be reviewing those goals.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Capital Projects Levy Update

Steve McCullough reviewed the capital projects timeline according to the priorities the board set in May. The next step is to start planning now to shop expansion work for the summer of 2020; the safety and

security upgrades during the 2019-20; phase II of the HVAC project in spring of 2022; and reroofing the elementary school.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 18/19-8 Fixing and Adopting the Budget

Board Action: Joyce Fancher moved to adopt Resolution 18/19-8 Fixing and Adopting the Budget for the 2019-20 school year budget. Sharron Cox seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Preschool Move

Board member Joyce Fancher had questions and expressed concerns regarding the preschool moving into the high school. The cost of the remodel of the HS classroom to accommodate the preschool and the portable is under \$10,000, with funding coming from Title I. The remodel work is in progress.

<u>Board Action:</u> Joyce Fancher moved to have the preschool remain in the portable near the ES and Mr. Ellis classroom remain in the HS/MS.

Sharron Cox commented that she supports the preschool but would like more time to look into further opportunities and more time for planning.

Mr. McCullough reiterated that this is just a classroom move at this time. Further class building opportunities will be developed at a later time.

No second to the motion was made. Motion dies for lack of second motion.

Chair Jerry Asmussen suspended the rules and moved to accept public comment.

The following comments and concerns were shared by the public in attendance:

- Preschoolers need access to food services, to the gym, the library, and other services.
- It's difficult getting students ready to go outdoors so going to the ES for services is challenging.
- Preschool is critical.
- There could be a liability with the HS interacting with the preschool students.
- The district is not able to transport food to the preschool portable because of lack of staff, lack of equipment such as kitchen facilities because of health department requirements. An approved cold lunch is an apple and a peanut butter sandwich.
- Preschoolers are not getting the opportunity to be taught proper hallway etiquette.
- Some of the preschool children are carried or are pulled in a wagon to meet at the bus.
- During the winter in the early morning the snow isn't always removed from the steps up to the portable.
- Staff should be given the chance to give these students an opportunity.
- Preschool may be able to be increase the number of students in class with a larger classroom. This will help them as they enter kindergarten.
- Deep discussions were held on classroom placements to make it all work.
- The district has a great ag program and now we have the potential to add another program for the other students not in ag.
- Parents support the preschool being held in the high school.

<u>Board Action:</u> Joyce Fancher rescinded the motion to have the preschool remain in the portable near the ES and Mr. Ellis classroom remain in the HS/MS.

MISCELLANEOUS

Board Self-Assessment

The board received the results of their self-assessment and will review them at an upcoming work session.

Community Meeting

Ernesto Cerrillo agreed to be the school board representative and will attend the community meeting on Thursdays at the CCC.

POLICY UPDATES

First Reading Policies

• 3241 Student Discipline

<u>Board Action</u>: Joyce Fancher moved to approve the first reading of policy 3241. Ernesto Cerrillo seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD AGENDA

None

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION

The board moved into executive session at 8:28 p.m. for 30 minutes to consider professional negotiations. The board moved out of executive session at 8:58 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Jerry Asmussen adjourned the meeting at 8:59 p.m.

Janet Glanzer

Assistant Secretary

The minutes of the July 26, 2019 regular board meeting (2 pages) were approved at the August 28, 2019 board meeting.

Secretary to the Board

Chair of the Board