

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

School Board Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, October 27, 2021  
Meeting at 6:30 p.m.  
In the Boardroom

**CALL TO ORDER**

Board Chair Sharron Cox called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. with Ernesto Cerrillo, Joyce Fancher, Lois Rhoads, and Jennie Wilson in attendance. Superintendent Steve McCullough and secretary Janet Glanzer were present. Administrators attending remotely were Kelwy El-Haj, Lilly Martin, Trisha Roach, Tara Deebach, and Kristi Krieg. Joining the meeting remotely were Bobbi Catone, Becky Reavis, Brittany Jones, Debi Scholz, Haley Jacobsen, Heather Dalzell, Janice Wilson, Jordan Bradley, Kim Baker, Marah Norris, Matt Deebach, Melissa Morgan, Lisa Sprague, Lindsay Thrasher, Robin Brown, Tanya Palomares, Tiffany Jones, Teresa Hawkins, Christa Levine and others.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Board Chair Sharron Cox led the flag salute at 6:33 p.m.

**ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Jennie Wilson requested to add a discussion under reports

**HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS**

Teresa Hawkins shared concerns about the athletic department and the direction. Christa Levine shared concerns about vaccinations and the health and safety of all students.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Joyce Fancher requested to pull item E. Substitute Teacher Daily Rate Increase from the consent agenda for discussion.

Board Action: Ernesto Cerrillo moved to approve items A. – D. and F. from the consent agenda. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

It was suggested to recruit and offer retired teachers increased substitute pay. Bobbi Catone added that retired teachers are limited in their number of work hours so they don't lose their pension. Discussion was held regarding increasing the pay for all substitutes.

Board Action: Ernesto Cerrillo moved to approve increasing substitute teachers daily rate to \$160.00 from this point forward. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**REPORTS**

*Financial*

Bobbi Catone reviewed the monthly financial reports.

*Superintendent*

Steve McCullough reported that enrollment is 1,089. The increase in staffing was to help to reduce class size but have found out in some instances, the increase is to accommodate this increase. We have completed all our Covid reporting to the state. The only public data is the overall general numbers. We have a new Covid testing coordinator. We also have a student emotional support professional from the ESD. The ground work for the modular started today. A local contractor is doing the work. The modular is built and completed and sitting at the factory waiting for the site prep to be completed. A meeting will be held tomorrow for the CTE shop to set the construction schedule. Concerns have been expressed the past year and half to the present on how the district has managed Covid. Mr. McCullough shared what the district has gone through in this managing process and the factors in decisions made. Mr. McCullough referred to a pamphlet available in all buildings and online on the process and who to contact when there is a conflict. Mr. McCullough asked community members to please go to the source first. The school needs the community's grace and not their anger.

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

*2022 Educational Programs and Operations Levy*

Steve McCullough provided information on the explanatory statement for the levy proposition. The November work session will be focused on the levy.

**NEW BUSINESS**

*Redistricting Status Report*

Steve McCullough reviewed the first stage report from the company doing the required redistricting based on our most recent census.

**POLICY UPDATES**

*First Reading Policies*

Board Action: Joyce Fancher moved to approve the first reading of Policies 1815, 1825, 3122, 3411, 5281, 5400, and 6970. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Board Action: Joyce Fancher moved to approve the first and final reading of Policy 5403. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

This leave will be retroactive to the beginning of the 2021-22 school year.

*Second Reading Policies*

Board Action: Joyce Fancher moved to approve the second and final reading of Policies 1822, 2108, 2420, 3231, 3241, 3520, and 5515. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

*WSSDA Conference Planning*

The WSSDA Annual Conference is November 18-20, 2021 in Bellevue.

*In-Person Board Meetings*

The board discussed welcoming visitors to attend the board meetings in-person and all present will be required to wear face masks. When just the board is present, no masking will be required.

*NSBA Letter/Resolution*

Board Action: Lois Rhoads moved to submit Resolution 21/22-1 to the National School Board Association. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION - None**

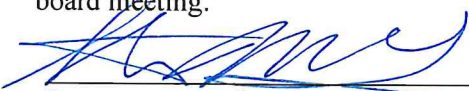
**ADJOURNMENT**

Board Chair Sharron Cox adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.



Janet Glanzer  
Assistant Secretary

The minutes of the October 27, 2021, regular board meeting (2 pages) were approved at the November 29, 2021 board meeting.



Secretary to the Board



Chair of the Board