

# MINUTES OF PHILLIPS BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Monday, March 17, 2014

- I. The Phillips Board of Education meeting was called to order by President Baratka at 5:00 pm in the 6-12 Learning Center. The pledge of allegiance was recited.
- II. Present: Adolph, Baratka, Distin, Marlenga, Rodewald, Pesko, Willett and Student Liaison Schleife. Absent: Arndt and Heidenreich. Administration present: Morgan, Hoogland, Scholz and Lemke. Others: Staff, students, and community members.
- III. President Baratka stated that public notice of the meeting was properly posted according to Wisconsin Statute 19.84(4). Notice was posted at all school-owned buildings, the District Phillips website, and The BEE.
- IV. Public Participation - Dr. Lyn Ludwig advocated for Spanish as a world language option and asked that world language options be added to next month's agenda.
- V. Administrative and Committee Reports
  - E (2) Ameresco representatives were present to give a mid-project update on energy saving facility improvement measures, long-term building improvement needs, and present a timeline. They highlighted PHS roof repair, PHS entryway and security options, and elementary school potential projects. The representatives will be here for the April business services committee meeting and will make their final presentation to the Board at the April 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. They will be looking for direction at that meeting for assembling the final project package. Final costs will be presented in May. If the project is approved, work can begin as soon as June.
    - A. Principal Report – PhMS/PHS – Colin Hoogland
      1. PhMS Students of the Month are Brook Pember (6), Kirsten Weik (7), and Ashley Kilty (8).
      2. PHS Students of the month are Graham Arneson and Nichole Reinke.
      3. PhMS/PHS staff continued to work on student learning objectives during the inservice time this morning. Most teachers have completed their second student survey and have entered it into their My Learning Plan.
    - B. Principal Report – PES – Dave Scholz
      1. PES staff did a gallery walk with their posted student learning objectives and gave and received input on how to improve them. Looked at SMART goals.
      2. PES Students of the Month are Nick Kaska (grade 3) and Alena Zorn (grade 2).
      3. Parent Outreach event sponsored by Title I last week was very well attended. A lite meal was followed by a performance by Randy Peterson.
      4. The building had a successful fund raiser to help out custodian Frank Soul who is out with a broken arm.
    - C. Pupil Services Report – Vick Lemke
      1. Special education is currently serving 125 students. There are seven referrals at this time.
      2. The special education advisory committee met on March 4<sup>th</sup>. The committee is no longer mandated, but many school districts are keeping the committee for communication purposes. The committee looked at self-assessment, new initiatives, how to get STAR information to parents more efficiently, and expanding into more community involvement.
    - D. Student Liaison Report – Kyle reported on the pros and cons of the eight period day after almost two years of use. There are some classes that would benefit from being able to have longer class periods.

- E. Superintendent Report
    - 1. The Board needs to make some decisions on Fund 80 expenditures for this year yet. Mr. Morgan requested that the Phillips Area Aquatic Foundation be placed on the April agenda to discuss their locker room revision plans. Also discussed were the PHS auditorium and athletic field improvements.
    - 2. Ameresco presentation was done earlier in the meeting.
  - F. Finance Manager Report – Leah Theder was not available for this meeting. She will be presenting information about P-card purchasing plan next month.
  - G. Special Education Advisory Committee – March 4<sup>th</sup> – was addressed in Pupil Services Report.
  - H. Business services committee met on March 12, 2014. Items discussed included: P-card purchasing plan, proposed bus purchases, seatbelt use in school-owned vans, requirement for increasing lunch prices, and summer project wish list.
- VI. Items for Review and Possible Action
- A. The administrative team are reviewing the CESA #12 service contract for next year and believe there are a few services that can be reduced or eliminated. Motion (Pesko/Willett) to approve the contract for an amount not to exceed the 2013-14 service contract. Motion carried 7-0.
  - B. Jim Adolph, Jill Arndt, and Rick Morgan will be attending the March 31, 2014 legislative meeting in Medford.
  - C. As part of the National School Lunch Program, we are required to determine our average price for paid student lunches based on October figures. Since our average is still below the DPI requirement, we must raise lunch prices. Motion (Rodewald/Willett) to increase lunch prices at PES to \$2.40, at PhMS to \$2.55, at PHS to \$2.90 and adult lunches to \$4.00 to meet guidelines. Motion carried 7-0.
  - D. Motion (Adolph/Willett) to approve out-of-state student field trips for German 2 students to attend the Festival of Nations in St. Paul and Physics students to attend Physics Days at Valleyfair in Shakopee, WI in May 2014. Motion carried 7-0.
- VIII. Motion (Willett/Rodewald) to approve following consent items. Motion carried 7-0.
- A. Approve minutes from February 17, 2014 regular board meeting.
  - B. Approve recruitment of PhMS track coach.
  - C. Approval of bills from February 2014 (#336559 to 336722 and wires) for \$532,890.72.
- VII. The next regular board meeting will be held on April 21, 2014 at 6:00 pm. Items for next meeting include Ameresco presentation, virtual school options for K-Grade 5, world language options, and planned meeting items.
- VIII. Motion (Willett/Adolph) to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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