

# MINUTES OF PHILLIPS BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Monday, October 20, 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, Krog, Rodewald, Pesko (left 6:56), Marlenga (arrived 5:25), Rose, Willett (arrived 5:40), and student liaison. Administration present: Morgan, Theder, Hoogland, Scholz and Lemke. Others: Staff, students, and community.
- 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 School District of Phillips' website, and The BEE.
- IV. Public Participation
  - A. Megan Peterson expressed her disappointment at the reasoning the board use to grant additional compensation to a fellow teacher.
  - B. Bill Neuburg from Clean Burn Energy Systems asked the Board to consider purchasing a self-contained, on-site recycling and heating system.
- V. Administrative and Committee Reports
  - A. Principal Report – PES - Dave Scholz
    1. Students of the month for PES are Wyatt Vetter (Gr 4), and Avery Bushman, (Gr 1).
    2. A group of elementary teachers and Principal Dave Scholz attended a weekend conference in Chicago during September to learn more about Daily Five and CAFE. Several of the teachers gave a presentation on what Daily Five is and how it is being used in the K-3 classrooms this year and plans to expand to grades 4-5.
  - B. Principal Report – PhMS/PH
    1. Students of the month for PhMS are Nicholas Mabie (6), Chase Schaaake (7) and Jacob Schloer (8)
    2. Student Liaison Otto mentioned the roof replacement has moved to the instructional areas and has been quite loud. She also reported that not having bells during the testing time was good. However, until we have clocks all coordinated this is not an option.
  - C. Pupil Services Report – Vicki Lemke
    1. Statewide ACT testing was completed with grade nine. The alternate test (DLM) will be completed this week. WKCE testing will begin soon with grades 4, 8, and 10.
  - D. Superintendent Report - Rick Morgan
    1. Athletic Director Annie Knudson discussed the timeline for making a decision regarding conference participation in football and options available for the 2015-16 season with board members and coaches/players in attendance. Superintendent Morgan expressed that he wants all who have a vested interest in the football program to be part of the decision and to make their thoughts and concerns known to board members before the November meeting.
    2. The situation with State involvement in Fund 80 purchases has turned out better than expected, and the recommendation to the Board is to go ahead with full Fund 80 levy this year. A committee will be formed to put together a long-term Fund 80 project plan that will include the current levy and any fund balance.
  - E. Finance Manager Report Quarterly Report - Year-to-date expenditures as of September 30, 2014 were \$1,275,046.14 (15.08% of budget) and revenues were

\$419,481.51 (4.91% of budget). The total cash available was \$2,109,127.65. Fund 49 Balance was \$1,494,912.36. No line of credit has been used this fiscal year

- F. Student liaison report was given.
- G. PEA/Board Negotiations met on September 23, 2014. An agreement was made with PEA and they have ratified. Discussion was held on how to use supplemental pay and retaining teachers in the future.
- H. Policy Committee met on October 8 and 16, 2014. Policies #662.1 Student Activity Monies, #442.1 Foreign Exchange Students, and #683 Asset Inventories are being forwarded to the board for first reading. Policy #830.1 Community Use of Building/Facilities continues to be in process. Discussion was held on fees and a final revision will be brought to the November meeting for second reading.
- H. Business Services committee met on October 16, 2014. Items discussed included Fund 80 levy and transportation needs/maintenance costs.

VI. Items for Discussion and Possible Action

- A. Ameresco representative Kent Wolf gave the monthly report on the projects. The lighting project is still in the pre-construction stage; the burner replacement project is 25% complete; the automation controls project is 5% complete, and the roof replacement project is 40% complete.
- B. Motion (Adolph/Distin) to certify the 2014-15 levy at \$4,945,450.00 for general fund; \$240,199.80 for non-referendum debt service levy; and \$311,500.00 for Fund 80 for a total of \$5,497,149.80; resulting in a mil rate of 8.8833. Motion carried 8-0.
- C. Motion (Rodewald/Adolph) to approve resolution authorizing the School District of Phillips to exceed the revenue limit on a non-recurring basis for debt service payment to finance energy efficiency measures and products. Motion carried 8-0.
- D. Motion (Rodewald/Marlenga) to affirm administrative directive of September 15, 2014 to negotiate with PEA for percentage increase on salary. Motion carried 8-0.

VII. Motion (Rodewald/Krog) to approve following consent items. Motion carried 8-0.

- A. Approve minutes from September 15, 2014 regular.
- B. Approval of bills from September 2014 (#337394 - #337610 and wires) for \$346,005.15.
- C. Approved personnel report:
  - 1. Hiring of winter season coaches (Basketball - Trevor Raskie, Scott Olson, Sarah Socha, Donna Lind, Mike Eggebrecht, and Wrestling - Joe Grapa).
  - 2. Approve volunteer coach Bonnie Calkins for PHS dance team.
  - 3. Approve faculty extra curricular assignments.
  - 4. Approve resignation of Karen Meives as district bus driver effective December 31, 2014 (12 years of service).

VIII. The next regular board meeting will be held on November 17, 2014 at 6:00 pm. Items for next meeting include planned meeting items and football decision..

IX. Motion (Otto/Krog) to adjourn meeting. Motion carried 8-0. Adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Rodewald, Clerk  
Board of Education

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