

MINUTES OF PHILLIPS BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Monday, January 15, 2018

- I. The Phillips Board of Education meeting was called to order by President Pesko at 6:00 pm in the 6-12 Learning Center. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- II. Present: Burkart, Distin, Fox, Krog, Marlenga, Pesko, Rose Willett and Student Liaison. Absent: Adolph. Administration present: Superintendent Morgan, Finance Manager Lehman, Principals Scholz and Hoogland, and Pupil Services Director Lemke. Others: Staff, students, and Price County Review.
- III. President Pesko 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, The Price County Review, Price County Courthouse, and the City of Phillips office.
- IV. Public Participation
 - A. Joel Nyberg commented that student council meetings should be open to attendance by other students.
 - B. Rick Morgan read a letter to the District from Alexis Schillinger, a 2010 graduate, who recently began working as a physician assistant thanking the district for helping her to attain her goals.
- V. Administrative and Committee Reports
 - A. Phillips Elementary School Principal Report - A lot of time has been spent this month in planning and meetings regarding the building remodeling and construction.
 - B. Phillips Middle/High School Principal Report - All items will be discussed in Section VI.
 - C. Director of Pupil Services Report
 1. Caroline Corbett (PES counselor), Rebecca Macholl (6-12 counselor), and Roni Tobias (school psychologist) joined Vicki Lemke in presenting data from the 2016-17 State assessments and ACT. Data from each grade level was reviewed and trends were discussed where applicable.
 2. The 6-12 staff met and compiled a list of notices and wonders regarding the assessment data and created plans for making the assessment times more productive and meaningful. They also worked on plans for the district including more time dedicated to curriculum needs and meeting needs of advanced students and at-risk students.
 - D. Superintendent Report
 1. Superintendent Morgan, along with Finance Manager Lehman and Board President Pesko will be attending the State Education Convention this week. Board members were encouraged to review the schedule and let one of the attendees know if they had any sessions they would like them to attend.
 2. The Leadership Communication Team (LCT) met this month to continue working on the additional compensation plan modifications for 2018-19. Point values for college credits will be reduced. The focus is to prepare a plan that will allow for employees to advance every two to three years. Language is being considered that would not allow an annual movement. The plan will be submitted for Board review next month.
 - E. Finance Manager Report - Quarterly Financial Report showed year-to-date expenditures as of December 31, 2017 were \$3,427,304.06 (36.35% of budget) and revenues were \$1,366,409.54 (15.89% of budget). The total cash available was \$1,009,803.67. No line of credit has been used this fiscal year.

- F. Student Liaison Report
 - 1. Students of the Month for PES were Emmet Knudson and Makaya Eckert.
 - 2. Students of the Month for PhMS were Kyle Soberg, Stacy Backstrom, Arianna Riley, and Mia Esterholm.
 - 3. The student council is working on the requests from Joel Nyberg.
- F. Policy Committee Report
 - 1. #462 Higher Education Technical Excellence Scholarship was reviewed for changes based on new state laws.
 - 2. #523.1 Employee Physical Examinations was reviewed for changes based on new state laws.
 - 3. Both policies are presented for first readings this month.
- G. Business Services Committee Report
 - 1. Reviewed for PES 1958 remodel. Recommended a plan for up to \$12.6 million.
 - 2. Discussed additional compensation plan recommendations for 2018-19.
 - 3. Marc Peterson informed the committee of a trip to Belize on March 24 through April 1. Seven students will be attending this trip. The group hopes to continue doing trips every-other year.
 - 4. Discussed the need to add an item to the agenda to approve \$22,000 for a replacement pool cover from Fund 80.
 - 5. Discussed leasing a van through the ASP grant with option to buy when the lease is completed.
 - 6. Discussed special education aide needs. A substitute will cover the remainder of the year.
 - 7. Bills were reviewed.

VI. Items for Discussion and Possible Action

- A. Grant Writer Dale Houdek reported that a second FabLab grant has been submitted. The OADA grant had a slow start due to waiting to confirm that the monies would be available. A coordinator with a strong background in OADA community work was hired. The TEACH grant is for infrastructure in technology and we are eligible for 30% of our expenditures up to \$31,000.00. This grant is due February 7th.
- B. Motion (Krog/Burkart) to approve the 2018-2019 school year calendar as presented. Motion carried 8-0.
- C. Motion (Krog/Distin) to approve the suspension of the WIAA boys tennis program the spring of 2018 due to lack of participation. Motion carried 8-0.
- D. Motion (Distin/Krog) to approve the termination of WIAA boys soccer program beginning with the Fall of 2018 due to lack of participants and low participation in the youth program. Motion carried 8-0.
- E. Motion (Burkart/Marlenga) to approve no limit on open enrollment spaces for regular or special education for the 2018-19 open enrollment window. Motion carried 8-0.
- F. Motion (Distin/Marlenga) to approve initial resolution authorizing general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$12,600,000.00. Motion carried 8-0 with roll call vote.
- G. Motion (Burkart/Marlenga) to approve resolution providing for a referendum election on the question of the approval of an initial resolution authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$12,600,000.00. Motion carried 7-1 with roll call vote. (Willett voting No)

VII. Consent Items - Motion (Willett/Krog) to approve consent items. Motion carried 8-0.

- A. Approved minutes from December 18, 2017 board meeting.
- B. Approved personnel report hiring Pam Knihtila as long-term substitute to complete the 2017-18 school year vocal music position and hiring Erik Johnson as full-time special education following completion of licensing requirements.
- C. Approved purchase of replacement pool cover for \$22,000.00 from Fund 80.

- D. Approved bills from December 2017 (#343463-343589 and wires) for a total of \$469,158.19.
- VIII. The next regular board meeting will be held on February 19, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. Items to include are second reading of policies, report from State convention meeting.
- IX. Motion (Willett/Distin) to adjourn at 7:37 pm. Motion carried 8-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracie Burkart, Clerk
Board of Education

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