

MINUTES OF PHILLIPS Board of Education REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
Monday, March 18, 2019

- 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, Halmstad, Krog, Pesko, Rose, Willett and Student Liaison.  
Absent: Adolph. Administration present: Superintendent Morgan, Finance Manager Lehman, Principals Hoogland and Scholz. Others: Staff, students community members, 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, and the Price County Review.
- IV. Public Participation - None
- V. Administrative and Committee Reports
  - A. Elementary Principal Report
    1. Students of the month for December were Cecelia Lorenz (Grade 2) and Preston Staples (Grade 4).
    2. A 4K parent information meeting was held on March 7th. Eighteen families attended and had the opportunity to hear about the daily structure and two-day or four-day options for 4K students. The office is continuing to contact parents of students who have not yet registered.
    3. Principal Scholz reviewed the mid-year Achievement Gap Reduction report. All grades are working on annual goals and are on track to meet those goals.
    4. Joe Grapa is working on a bid for a timber harvest in the new section of school forest. It is expected that the work will be done in the fall.
    5. Ten staff members from the elementary school attended a leadership seminar with Tim Kight on March 5th at Forest Springs. This was an excellent opportunity for our staff.
  - B. Middle/High School Principal Report
    1. Students of the month at PhMS were Caitlin Pesko (6), Leigha St. Clair (7), and Kylie Soberg and Kye Tingo (Grade 8)
    2. The music students returned last night from their New York trip.
    3. Track and softball season started earlier this month. Baseball and girls soccer begin practice tomorrow. Middle school wrestling is coming to a close. Four students qualified for the state swimming meet.
    4. Quiz bowl participated in the Gogebic meet and forensics is competing at Hayward tonight.
    5. We will be piloting the 1:1 program with one class at the middle school fourth quarter.
    6. March inservice day focused on scheduling for next year.
    7. The high school has rearranged their schedule to increase class time and reduced Logger Time to help with cancelled classes. This will continue in a modified form in 4th quarter.
  - D. Superintendent Report
    1. The facility action committee held their first meeting on February 27th. There were 17 participants. The next meeting will be March 20th.
    2. Due to the six days of school cancellation, April 22nd will be a full day of school for students and staff. At this point, teaching staff will be required to work two additional days at the end of the school year. The 4th quarter start date was extended to April 4th.

- E. Student Liaison Report - None
  - G. Business services committee met on March 14th and discussed the 4K program, meeting instructional hours with days off for weather, information was presented from the Project Lifesaver meeting held last month, ways to think outside the box to solve building needs, the cost of furnace and roof needs at PES, LP tank inspections, and review of bills.
  - H. The curriculum committee will meet on April 2nd.
- VI. Items for Discussion and Possible Action
- A. Motion (Krog/Burkart) to Approved providing full-time (4 days) 4K programming option beginning with the 2019-20 school year. Motion carried 8-0.
  - B. We have received the CESA #12 contract for next year. There is a 3% increase in costs. We will share the total package at next month's meeting for approval.
  - C. Tracie Burkart, Marty Krog, and Hailey Halmstad will distribute diplomas at graduation.
  - D. Motion (Distin/Burkart) to approve an invested member contract with Rural Virtual Academy for 2019-2020. Motion carried 8-0.
- VII. Consent Items - Motion (Willett/Distin) to approve consent items. Motion carried 8-0.
- A. Approved minutes from February 18, 2019 Board meetings.
  - B. Approve second reading of #661.3 Bad Check Policy.
  - C. Approved personnel report accepting retirements from Tim Brown, technology education teacher (32 years); Patricia Kaliska, kindergarten teacher (29 years), Kathleen Severson, bus route driver (40.5 years) and Clarence (Ed) Riley, bus route driver (36 years) and resignations from Patrick Croy, paraprofessional (8 years) and Leanne Benson, PES cook (1.5 years).
  - C. Approved bills from February 2019 (#345400-345553 and wires) for a total of \$839,177.99.
- VIII. The next regular board meeting will be held on April 15, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. Items to include are 4K program update, reports from curriculum committee and facility action committee, and Technical Excellence Scholarship Award,
- IX. Motion (Willett/Adolph) to convene into executive session at the conclusion of the open session pursuant to:
- A. WI Stat. Sec. 19.85(1)(c) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, retirement, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.
    - Administrative Contracts
  - B. WI Stat. Sec. 19.85(1)(g) for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved.
    - Confer with Legal Counsel
- X. The Board may reconvene into open session pursuant to WI Stat. Sec. 19.85(1), if necessary, to act on motions made during the executive session. Motion carried with roll call vote 8-0 at 6:40 pm p.m.
- XI. Motion (Krog/Distin) to reconvene into open session. Motion carried 8-0 at 8:38 p.m.
- XII. Action Items
- A. Motion (Distin/Halmstad) to approve Superintendent Morgan's recommendations for finalizing administrative contracts for 2019-2020 school year. Motion carried 8-0.
  - B. Motion (Burkart/Krog) for Superintendent Morgan to follow school board directive in regards to retirement requests. Motion carried 8-0.

XIII. Motion (Rose/Krog) to adjourn. Motion carried 8-0 at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracie Burkart, Clerk  
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