# MINUTES OF PHILLIPS BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING Monday, October 21, 2019

- I. The Phillips Board of Education meeting was called to order by President Pesko at 5:00 pm in the 6-12 Learning Center. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- II. <u>Present</u>: Burkart, Fox, Halmstad, Houdek, Krog, Lind, Pesko, Rose, and Student Liaison Polacek. <u>Absent</u>: Willett <u>Administration present</u>: Superintendent Morgan and Principal Hoogland <u>Others</u>: Staff 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. President Pesko read the list of donations from March 1 through September 30, 2019 and expressed thanks to our community.
- VI. Administrative and Committee Reports
  - A. Phillips Middle/High School Principal Report Colin Hoogland commented on the following:
    - 1. The 6-12 choir concert this evening will include a debut of the new volunteer show choir.
    - 2. Our new police liaison started on Friday.
    - 3. Veteran Day programs will be held on November 11 starting with a program at the elementary school and another program at the 6-12 auditorium. Veterans will be invited to stay for lunch.
    - 4. Twenty-five students from Phillips participated in a Sources of Strength training through NTC.
    - 5. Approval is requested during the consent items for two out-of-state trips: October 30th to the Aquarium in Duluth, MN and May 1st to the Festival of Nations in St. Paul.
  - B. Paula Houdek reported on the WASB Fall Regional meeting that she attended in Ashland. The evening included session on issues surrounding retaining quality teachers, legislative updates, and future initiatives in WASB.
  - C. Summer School Director Report Tyler Ring summarized the 2019 summer school program as very successful. The programming was similar to past years with approximately 50 course offerings for students. Two new courses this year were soccer camps and DNR hunter safety. The Building Better Athlete (BBA) program was very well attended this year. There was a higher number of non-resident students attending, however the number of minutes required to include them as one FTE is quite high. The meal program again was very well received with both breakfast and lunch offered to all children up to the age of 18 whether they attended summer school or not. Work is already underway for the 2020 summer school session. Contacts are being made to include other safety programs.
  - D. Superintendent Report
    - Superintendent Morgan reported on the Fall Superintendents Conference held recently. The new State Superintendent Stanford Taylor and Governor Evers both addressed the conference. There was an intent focus on mental health issues. Paula Houdek commented on the widespread interest in mental health from county workshops to news media.

2. The presentation of the Friend of Education Award will be moved from the Board meeting to half-time of a December sporting contest to include more community people in this event.

#### E. Student Liaison Report

- 1. Students of the month at Phillips Elementary are Ella Vollendorf (Grade 2) and Dexter Dabler (Grade 4)
- 2. Students of the month at Phillips Middle School are Evan Johnson (Grade 6), Ariel Henney (Grade 7), and Brooke Eckert (Grade 8).
- 3. Homecoming was a success. There was lots of participation in dress-up days and the planned activities.
- 4. Fall sports teams have completed their seasons or have State tournament events coming up this week.
- 5. Students from Phillips and Prentice attended Sources of Strength training (suicide prevention) to learn how to spot mental health issues and ways to help their peers.

## F. Policy Committee Report

- 1. Policy 621/622 Budget Policy was reviewed. The sentence "No annual meeting may be held before May 15 or after September 30 is being removed and the policy is presented for first reading.
- 2. Supervisory job descriptions were reviewed and will be presented for first reading in November.
- 3. A job description for a PK4-Grade 12 Health Support Staff position was reviewed.
- G. Transportation/facilities committee met and discussed:
  - 1. Facilities: The 1998 portion of the elementary heating controls have been updated. The safety window film was installed this week. Pool pumps have been updated and the snow plow crew is ready for winter.
  - 2. Transportation: One of the 2007 buses is having mechanical issues. There is a full roster of bus drivers. Fuel costs are significantly less with the addition of propane buses. DOT inspections are scheduled for November 6 and 15, 2019.
- H. Business services committee met and discussed:
  - 1. Closed session to address items listed on agenda
  - 2. School Perceptions reports that approximately 600 surveys have been returned. There will be one more reality radio session before the survey closing. Results will be discussed on November 6th.
  - 3. Waiting to hear from Dept of Justice on transfer of savings in the Safety Grant from year one to year two.
  - 4. Window film is completed; however, installers are being contacted and payment withheld until flaws are rectified.
  - 5. Reviewed items from transportation/facilities meeting.
  - 6. Discussed additions to the regular meeting agenda.
  - 7. Discussed the Positive Pay program available through Forward Bank.
  - 8. Bills were reviewed.

#### VI. Items for Discussion and Possible Action.

- A. The special meeting to approve the levy will be held on October 30 at 12:15 pm.
- B. Motion (Krog/Burkart) to move the November board meeting to November 25, 2019 at 6:00 pm. November committee meetings will remain on their regular schedule. Motion carried 8-0.
- C. Motion (Houdek/Burkart) to table items C. Mental Health/AODA Grant Report, D. CLC Grant Coordinator Report, and E. Federal Title Grant Report to the November meeting. Motion carried 8-0.
- D. Motion (Krog/Houdek) to approve the October 30, 2019 trip to Duluth, MN and the May 1, 2020 trip to St. Paul, MN. Motion carried 8-0.

- VII. Consent Items Motion (Krog/Houdek) to approve all consent items. Motion carried 8-0.
  - A. Approved minutes from September 16, 2019 Board meeting.
  - B. Approved personnel report (hiring of Jessica Lewis, LTE paraprofessional and renewal of non-faculty coaching contracts to Trevor Raskie, Jacob Olson, Timothy Podmolik, Tim Brown, Joe Grapa, and Josh Upson).
  - C. Approved bills from September 2019 (#346291 346485 and wires) for a total of \$524,976.46.
- VIII. The next regular board meeting will be held on November 25, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. Items to include Academic & Career Planning website approval, first reading of supervisory job descriptions, federal Title grant, AODA/Mental Health Grant, After-School Program grants, and state assessment data if embargo has been lifted.
- IX. Motion (Krog/Willett) 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.
    - Supervisor positions.
    - AODA/Mental Health Grant positions

Motion carried 8-0 with roll call vote at 6:05 p.m.

- X. Motion (Lind/Halmstad) for the Board to 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 7-0 at 7:16 p.m.
- XI. Motion (Krog/Fox) to direct Superintendent Morgan to seek legal counsel review of written request from PEA. Motion carried 7-0.
- IX. Motion (Halmstad/Krog) to adjourn at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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