

MINUTES OF PHILLIPS BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Monday, January 20, 2020

- 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, Fox, Halmstad, Houdek, Krog, Lind, Pesko, Rose, and Student Liaison. Absent: Willett. Administration present: Superintendent Morgan, Finance Manager Lehman, Principals Hoogland and Scholz; Director of Pupil Services Lemke. Others: Staff, students, community members, and Price Co 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 - Carrie Setterman read a statement stating her concern over bullying of her son at school.
- V. Administrative and Committee Reports
 - A. Dave Scholz - PES Principal Report
 1. Students of the Month are Gabriella Ulrich (Grade 3) and Easton Lemke (Grade 2)
 2. January 21st will be Winterfest Day at PES with students choosing skating, sledding, swimming, gym/snow time and bowling. Grades 4 and 5 will go to Perkinstown for outdoor activities.
 3. The Loggers United Booster Club is sponsoring Kevin Lovegreen as Author-in-Residence at PES. He is the author of Lucky Luke's Hunting Adventures. He will do a large group presentation for K-5 students and then work separately with grades 3, 4 and 5.
 4. Principal Scholz and teacher Mary Rohde attended the first two sessions of Impactful Coaching Academy in January. They will attend the remaining sessions as scheduled.
 5. Forty-two staff members from PES are participating in a *Mindfulness in the Classroom* book study. Concepts from the book are being implemented schoolwide and in individual classrooms.
 - B. Colin Hoogland - PhMS/PHS Principal Report
 1. Students of the Month at PhMS are Aryon DeLeasky (Grade 6), Amanda Angelo and McKenna Adams (Grade 7), and Jada Cantrell (Grade 8).
 2. A new large piece of fab lab equipment was installed with the help of city and county equipment.
 3. On January 30th teachers from Phillips will be visiting Aleva-Strum School District to see their business and technology department integration.
 4. Winterfest for high school students will be held on February 27th.
 5. Middle school students will be going to Forest Springs for winter activities on February 6th.
 - C. Vicki Lemke - Pupil Services Director
 1. The October 1 childcount for special education was 153. Currently we are serving 157. The special education department currently services seven open enrolled students and has five open enrolled students attending other districts.
 - D. Rick Morgan - Superintendent Report
 1. Superintendent Morgan has been asked by the State Superintendent to be part of the Accountability Advisory Group along with Jim Lee from CESA #12 and a representative from Hayward to represent the northern portion of the state. Majority of the meetings will be held via Zoom. Any meeting costs from traveling to Madison will be reimbursed by the State.

2. The Convention will be held this week in Milwaukee. Paula Houdek will be attending meetings as a delegate and Board members were encouraged again to provide Paula with any input on resolutions that will be discussed this week.
 3. The District has approval to transfer monies not used from the initial safety grant to the second year grant. The second year funds will be used for secure entrance projects.
- E. Molly Lehman was not able to attend the meeting. Revenue and expenditure reports are included in the Board packet.
- F. Jessica Roush - Student Liaison Report
1. Boys and girls basketball are both doing well in their respective conferences. The wrestling team took 1st at the Ladymith tournament. Two powerlifters have already qualified for the state meet.
 2. The new show choir was 2nd runner up in their recent competition.
 3. The Northwoods Global Ecology students from Phillips and Butternut will be going to Costa Rica April 9-17. They will have a presentation for the Board when they return.
- G. Policy Committee Report
1. The committee continues to work on Policy #384 Therapy Dogs in School and will bring the policy to the full board for first reading when it is completed..
 2. Policy #164 Board Member Compensation and Expenses was amended to include state statute language regarding board members refusing compensation. The policy is presented for first reading again this month.
 3. The committee recommends that no changes be made to Policy #425 Open Enrollment in reference to available spaces for regular or special education.
- G. Transportation/Facilities Committee Report
1. Facilities: Dave Berens reported on a heating pump rebuild and bringing in a representative from Separmatic to review the pool systems and make recommendations for work to be done. The new engraver was delivered to the woodshop as part of the fab lab.
 2. Transportation: Jason McMillan received the settlement worksheet from EMC to scrap bus #14 compared to the cost of repairing it. Due to the age of the bus, Jason's recommendation is to take the settlement.
- H. Business services committee met and discussed:
1. Met for closed session to address technology contract reviews.
 2. Joe Fox and Annie Knudson wrote and received an AODA minigrant for \$1,000.00. The purpose of the grant will be for 4th and 5th grade students to produce movies involving topics such as bullying, vaping, etc. These movies will be distributed through CREW and to other districts. Students will be responsible for all aspects of production.
 3. The new overtime rule cut off for salary workers is \$35,568.00. The district has one employee that this new rule affects. The district will continue with the current wage and pay any overtime for the rest of this year's contract.
 4. The 2018-19 financial audit is complete. CLA will be placed on the agenda for February business services and all board members are invited to attend.
 5. Future Wood was the highest bidder for the school forest logging bid at \$109,106.05. This exceeded expectations and will include the new acquisition.
 6. Bills were reviewed by Joe Fox.
- VI. Items for Discussion and Possible Action.
- A. Miron Construction is working on a Fact sheet for the referendum. Open house nights were scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on March 11 at the middle/high school and March 26 at the elementary school.
- B. Motion (Burkart/Krog) to keep Open Enrollment Policy #425 as is in reference to spaces for regular and special education students. Motion carried 8-0.

- C. Motion (Houdek/Krog) to approve the 2020-2021 calendar as presented, but with a 1:00 p.m. dismissal on December 23, 2020 and no school for students/staff on April 5, 2021. Discussion held on scheduling and potential of virtual learning opportunities on snow days. Houdek amended her motion to include striking February 26, 2020 as a potential make up day. Motion carried 7-1 (Fox).
 - D. Motion (Krog/Burkart) to resolution authorizing general obligation bonds as follows: *BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of the School District of Phillips, Price County, Wisconsin that there shall be issued pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$9,860,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school building and improvement program consisting of: construction of an addition for classrooms and expansion and renovation of the Middle/High School building to create a single K-12 campus; upgrades and site improvements; potential demolition of a portion of Phillips Elementary School; and acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment.* Motion carried with roll call vote 7-1 (Houdek)
 - E. Motion (Burkart/Lind) 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 \$9,860,000. Motion carried with roll call vote 7-1 (Houdek).
- VII. Consent Items - Motion (Burkart/Lind) to approve all consent items. Motion carried 8-0.
- A. Approved minutes from December 16, 2019 and January 13, 2020 Board meetings.
 - B. Approved personnel report to hire Camaraya Schutte and Gabriella Lehman as paraprofessionals and to accept a resignation from Erica Bockerstette as paraprofessional.
 - C. Approved bills from December 2019 (#346791-346920 and wires) for a total of \$502,852.12.
- VIII. The next regular board meeting will be held on February 17, 2020. Items to consider for the agenda are virtual learning for snow days, referendum committee, and teacher visit to Aleva-Strum.
- IX. Motion (Krog/Burkart) 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
 Motion carried 8-0 with roll call vote.
- 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.
- XI. Motion (Krog/Lind) to reconvene into open session at 7:56 p.m. Motion carried 8-0.
- XII. Motion (Lind/Burkart) to direct Superintendent Morgan to seek legal counsel in regards to posting and protocol on administrative reviews. Motion carried 8-0.
- XII. Motion (Lind/Halmstad) to adjourn at 8:01 p.m. Motion carried 8-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracie Burkart, Clerk
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