

Cayuse Prairie School District #10  
Board Meeting Agenda  
September 20, 2016  
7:00 p.m. – Library

I. CALL TO ORDER - 7:00pm - Kevin Fox, Jack Thatcher, Amy Ramer, Pam Skonord. Absent: Jason Rausch, Amy Piazzola, Cat Bauer, Heather Mumby and staff

- A. Minutes – August 9, August 16, and August 23, 2016 - Approved as submitted
- B. Correspondence - none
- C. Additions to the Agenda - Sub Pay to Items for Discussion

II. ITEMS FOR REPORT

- A. Administrator’s Report – Amy Piazzola went over her report. She also reported that 58% of students represented at the Open House. Two years ago it was 63%. We currently have 238 students. Last year’s fall count was at 244. Math Counts and Science Olympiad starting up. The PR committee is doing a “Park with a Purpose” fundraiser. The money will go to Kerri Weigum. Annelies Pedersen sent a letter to middle school parents about the “Choke Challenge”. Supervision has been ramped up and staff are being more vigilant since it is happening in unsupervised areas like the restroom.
- B. Assistant Principal’s Report – Catherine Bauer reported on the school committees. She also reported that 5 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are taking Algebra through the Montana Digital Academy. Corral of Excellence is up and will be highlighting student work from each class monthly. Catherine Bauer will also be doing one newsletter a month will be showcasing academics.
- C. Maintenance Report – Amy Piazzola went over the report. Shelly Huffield is doing is great and getting everything organized. Pam Wilson is working out well for the afternoon/evening shift too.
- D. Budget Report – Heather Mumby went over her report. The budget is on track. We received a \$20,000 donation for science furniture/equipment for the middle school

III. ITEMS FOR ACTION

- A. September Bills – Pam Skonord moved to approve the September bills. Jack Thatcher seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously
- B. Second/Final Reading of Policies 1400, 2166, 3121P, 4301, 4302, 4313, 4411, 5232, and 7535 – Pam Skonord moved to approve the final reading of the policies. Amy Ramer seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- C. First Reading of Policy 3226F – Amy Piazzola informed the Board that she has assigned staff mentors to those high risk students to help with stemming inappropriate behaviors. Heather Mumby went over some of the proposed changes to the Level I slips. Jack Thatcher moved to approve the first reading of the policy. Amy Ramer seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- D. Approval of Cayuse Prairie Substitute List – Pam Skonord moved to approve the substitute list. Jack Thatcher seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- E. CTA Contract – Amy Piazzola went over the contract. Some of the money is being taken

out of professional development especially considering the work staff are doing on the work sessions. We would like to have an agreement that CTA will be the construction supervisors and have an RFP in place so we don't have to go out to bid when the bond is passed. We are very lucky that we had the money this year to put towards the planning services provided by CTA. Amy Ramer moved to accept the contract. Pam Skonord seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

#### IV. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- A. Needs Assessment Committee Update – Amy Piazzola sent out an email to Board and staff about the initial work session with Nick Salmon. Amy Piazzola thanked Kevin Fox for going around to different schools to take pictures of their science labs to look at possibilities. First work session was great. Nick Salmon was really good at getting everyone involved and we had very good community representation. We are looking forward to the next two meetings to figure out where we go from here. We will begin to delve more into facility planning over the next two meeting.
- B. Substitute Pay - Current pay is currently \$75 per day. There was discussion on the lack of substitutes for our school and around the valley. Amy Piazzola and Heather Mumby have checked around to see what the “going rate” is for subs and we are right in the middle. We may want to consider increasing our pay for the coming year since we are on the low end of the scale in the valley at \$9.375 per hour (\$75 per day). This may or may not affect aide pay as well since a general aid starts at \$9.50 per hour.

#### V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

#### VI. ADJOURN

There being no further discussion, Jack Thatcher moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:05pm. Amy Ramer seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be October 18, 2016 at 7pm.

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Kevin Fox, Board Chair

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Heather Mumby, District Clerk