

Cayuse Prairie School District #10
Board Meeting Minutes
October 18, 2016
7:00 p.m. – Library

I. CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order at 7:02pm y Vice Chair Jason Rausch. Present: Jason Rausch, Jack Thatcher, Pam Skonord, Amy Ramer (7:05pm) Kevin Fox (7:32pm), Amy Piazzola, Cat Bauer, Heather Mumby and Staff

- A. Minutes – September 20, 2016 - Accepted as submitted
- B. Correspondence - none
- C. Additions to the Agenda - none

II. ITEMS FOR REPORT

- A. Administrator's Report - Amy Piazzola went over her report. She then went over the over the pilot teacher evaluation system. Although it has been a daunting task, the program seems to be going well. The MEA Day training that was to be held at the school on October 21st has been cancelled. However, FME staff will be here for MAPS training along with Cayuse staff, on the 20th. We are charging \$600 for the FME staff to attend.
- B. Assistant Principal's Report - Cat Bauer went over her report. She let the Board know that the SWIS report will be given to them in November. We found out from the SPED Coop that we cannot use the WISC test for the Gifted and Talented program. It can only be used for students that fall under the IDEA program.
- C. Maintenance Report - Amy Piazzola went over the report. Shelly Huffield is continuing to clean up all the spaces and organizing our school. Currently we are looking for substitute custodians.
- D. Fall Count - Heather Mumby went over the Fall Count as compared to the previous year. We have only dropped 4 students from one year to the next.
- E. Budget Report - Heather Mumby went over the budget report. She then went over the tax implications regarding the Northwestern Energy Settlement. Fortunately our district was not directly impacted and the county wide school levies (transportation and retirement) will see such a small impact that the schools are not requesting recertification.

III. ITEMS FOR ACTION

- A. October Bills - Heather Mumby went over the bills. Pam Skonord moved to approve the October bills. Amy Ramer seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- B. Middle School Grading Procedure - Cat Bauer went over the new proposed procedure for homework and classwork in the middle school. It encourages time management and quality workmanship on assignments the first time around. The middle school would like this to take effect beginning of 2nd quarter. The Board has some concerns about a new grading system taking effect by quarter 2 because of the learning curve of implementing the new math program. However they agree with the greater accountability. Under the Math exception (After 10 days, an assignment can still be made up but will receive a 50% reduction in grade.) the board suggested making it 10 school days. The Board would also like to see the grading program updated quickly and communication between teacher and parents is key as well. Board and staff alike agree that timely feedback to students is a very important part of it too. Cat Bauer warned the Board that the new system may be a drop in the average grade with this change in the short term but it will help with long

term accountability and preparing students for high school. Amy Ramer moved to accept the proposed procedure implementation with the suggested change, Pam Skonord seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

- C. Second/Final Reading of Policy 3226F - Jack Thatcher moved to approve the final reading of Policy 3226F. Pam Skonord seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously.
- D. CP Student Attending Other Districts - The Board Acknowledged the Cayuse Prairie Students attending other districts.
- E. Out of District Students - Pam Skonord moved to approve the out of district students attending Cayuse Prairie. Amy Ramer seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously.
- F. Out of District Attendance Additions – Allow Superintendent Approval - Jack Thatcher moved to allow the Superintendent to approve Out of District Attendance Agreements that come in for the remaining school year. Heather Mumby will update the report to the Board as needed. Pam Skonord seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- G. Flathead Crossroads Interlocal Agreement - Jack Thatcher moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement. Amy Ramer seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously,

IV. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- A. Power School as opposed to Family Link - The Board would like to see more information on using Power School rather than family link. Amy Piazzola told the Board that the school is looking to move towards infinite campus for student records so she didn't know if it had its own grade reporting system. She told the Board she would get information to them at the November meeting.
- B. Track how our students are doing as compared to other rural school and KMS when it comes to science and math especially. Amy Piazzola told the Board that HS counselors usually track that information but she didn't know if it compared it to individual rural schools or to the HS in general. SBAC information can help too. The Board would just like to be able to use the information to help the school focus and plan curriculum that fits the needs of the students.
- C. Needs Assessment Committee Update - Amy Piazzola reported that the next and final work session with Mick Salmon is the 24th of October.

V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

VI. ADJOURN

There being no further discussion, Jack Thatcher moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:54pm. Pam Skonord seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The regularly scheduled board meeting is November 15th at 7pm in the school library

Kevin Fox, Board Chair

Heather Mumby, District Clerk