

PALMYRA DISTRICT OR-1 BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

DATE: November 14, 2011

A. A meeting of the Board of Education of Palmyra District OR-1 Public Schools was convened in open and public session on Monday, November 14, 2011, at 7:30 p.m. in the Library at the Palmyra District OR-1 Public Schools 425 F Street Palmyra, Nebraska. The roll was called and the following Board members were present or absent:

Present: Members present: Jaimi Calfee, Mark Clem, Clayton Maahs, Larry Royal, Kevin Schroder and Doug Church.

Also Present: School Administrators Superintendent Robert Hanger, Elementary Principal Steve Robb, Secondary Principal David Bottrell and Activities Director Mark Oltman, Guest, Barb Mullenax.

Absent: None

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. The Secretary of the Board maintains a list of the media requesting notification of meetings and advance notification to the listed media of the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting was provided. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the publicized notice and a current copy of the Agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice. All proceedings of the Board of Education, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public .

B. Meeting called to order by Board of Education President Maahs at 7:30 p.m.

Announcement of Open Meetings Act Posting.

At the beginning of this meeting, the Chair announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the South wall of the meeting room.

Motion by Church, seconded by Royal to approve all items on the consent agenda including minutes of the last meeting, claims and financial reports. After discussion and roll call vote:

\$47,539.41 General Fund

\$336,947.48 Payroll

\$100.00 Activity Fund Reimbursement

\$27,227.98 Building Fund

Voting Yes: Calfee, Church, Clem, Maahs, Royal, Schroder
Voting No: None
Absent:
Motion Passed: 6-0

C. Scheduled Audiences: None

D. Unscheduled Audiences: None

E. Action Items

1. Motion by Church, seconded by Schroder to amend Policies 402.01, 501.0, 103 on second reading.

Voting Yes: Calfee, Church, Clem, Maahs, Royal, Schroder
Voting No: None
Absent:
Motion Passed: 6-0

2. Motion by Calfee, seconded by Royal to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing the Superintendents performance evaluation and to prevent needless injury since an open forum was not requested at 8:05 p.m.

Voting Yes: Calfee, Church, Clem, Maahs, Royal, Schroder
Voting No: None
Absent:
Motion Passed: 6-0

Motion by Clem, seconded by Calfee to leave executive session at 8:47 p.m.

Voting Yes: Calfee, Church, Clem, Maahs, Royal, Schroder
Voting No: None
Absent:
Motion Passed: 6-0

F. Discussion Items

1. The Board Discussed the School Community Essential Planning process and expressed thanks to all of the participants who have committed time and thoughts to each of the meetings.
2. The Board discussed the upcoming NASB conference to be held in LaVista.

G. Communication: None

H. Elementary Principal's Report

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Play Ground Project

Our playground project is waiting for the sod to be laid. All the grading and sprinkler system work have been completed. The sod was supposed to be laid this past weekend but it hasn't been completed yet. The weather on Monday and Tuesday didn't help matters. Hopefully, I can report to you on Monday night that all is done.

Boiler/Chiller Project

Everything has been completed and is operational. Scott has been trained in the operation of the system. I have the owners and operational manuals in my office. We are still waiting for the HVAC people to come and sign-off for final inspection on the building permit and everything will be completed. The project will be finished!

Fall Festival a Success

We had a wonderful turnout for our Fall Festival on October 29th. The evening was beautiful, the Elementary Boosters had a wonderful number of activities for the families to enjoy. There was lots of free food and drink. The Hayrack Ride was very popular! And yours truly was in charge of the camp fire! Notice I said camp fire not bon fire. Would have needed a permit for a bon fire!

By the way, our Elementary Boosters also took our hay rack trailer and made a display for the Team Mates Trunk or Treat Activity in Palmyra on Saturday and won the "Travelling Trophy: for best entry at Trunk or Treat.

Training and Staff Development

Many staff members are involved in staff development activities this month. We have had staff members attending Literacy Cadre meetings, Six Trait Writing workshops and math standards workshops. We will be sending teachers to a MAP's data and reports workshop later this month.

Winter Concert

Our Winter Music Concert is on Tuesday, November 29th. The night will be divided into two performances with K-3 starting at 6:30 and 4- 6 starting at 7:30 p.m. in the gym at Palmyra.

I. Secondary Principal's Report

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State of the School Report

The Department of Education made the State of the Schools Report Public recently. This report generates a lot of public interest in performance levels of the all schools in the state. I think anyone looking at the information for Palmyra/Bennet Schools would be impressed. We have met AYP in all areas at all grade levels for at least the second straight year. Check out the report at the following web site: <http://www.education.ne.gov>

Veteran's Day

Planned for Friday, Nov. 11. PHS will host a luncheon and an assembly program to honor Veterans.

First Quarter Stats: Attached include High Honor Roll, Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance.

J. Assistant Principal/Activities Director Report

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Tuesday, November 15th- Palmyra Cheerleaders Community Night at Dairy Queen, South 84th

& Hwy 2- 5:00-8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 16th- NMEA All-State Music Convention

ECNC One Act @ The Loft

Thursday, November 17th- NMEA All-State Music Convention

FFA/Student Council Blood Drive 1:00-6:00 p.m.

Friday, November 18th- NMEA All-State Music Convention

Saturday, November 19th- Junior High Boys Basketball @ Raymond Central 8:30 a.m.

Monday, November 21st- Junior High Boys Basketball @ PHS vs. Malcolm 4:30 p.m.

Winter Sports Booster Bash

Tuesday, November 22nd- Hall Of Fame Kick-Off Basketball Game @ Sterling 6:00 p.m. & 7:45 p.m..

K. Superintendents Report and Recommendations

1. Superintendent Hanger reported information related to Consolidated Data Collections, Grants Management, Annual Financial Report, the 2010-2011 Audit and Nebraska and the Student and Staff Record System.

L. Board of Education Development

1. Nebraska Association of School Boards Conference November 17, 18.
2. Curriculum Committee meeting will be held November 23 at 1:45 p.m. in Palmyra.

M. Topics for Next Month's Agenda

Review of the Annual Audit Report, NASB conference and Board Self Evaluation.

Adjournment

I. The meeting was duly adjourned at 8:48 o'clock p.m. on November, 2011.

Next Board Meeting- December 12, 2011

This is a draft copy of the Board of Education minutes that does not become official until approved by the Board.