

PALMYRA DISTRICT OR-1 BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

DATE: November 12, 2012

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 12, 2012, 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: Doug Church, Mark Clem, Clayton Maahs, Larry Royal and Kevin Schroder.

Jaimi Calfee arrived at 7:39

Also Present: School Administrators Superintendent Robert Hanger, Elementary Principal Steve Robb, Secondary Principal David Bottrell.

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

\$78,172.18 General Fund

\$360,838.56 Payroll

\$472.21 Activity Fund Reimbursement

\$8344.41 Building Fund

\$17,513.00 Depreciation

Voting Yes: Clem, Maahs, Royal, Schroder, Church
Voting No: None
Absent: Calfee
Motion Passed: 5-0

C. Scheduled Audiences:

1. District OR-1 Education Association.

D. Unscheduled Audiences: None

E. Action Items

1. Motion by Church, seconded by Royal to approve the second reading of Board of Education Policy 607.02 School Ceremonies.

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

2. Motion by Schroder, seconded by Clem to approve the second reading of Board of Education Policy 804.03 E-mail Retention.

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

3. Motion by Church, seconded by Calfee to accept Gail Prokop's voluntary resignation with appreciation for 35 years of dedicated service effective October 18, 2012.

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

4. Motion by Calfee, seconded by Royal to recognize the District OR-1 Education Association as the sole negotiating unit for the certified teaching staff of District OR-1 for the 2014-2015 contract year.

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

5. Motion by Royal, seconded by Calfee 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 8:30 p.m.

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

Motion by Clem, seconded by Schroder to leave executive session at 8:52 p.m.

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

F. Discussion Items

1. The Board reviewed calendar changes for November 21, 2012 and March 13, 2013. The Board also discussed the facility audit and EHA rates for the 2013-2014 school year.

G. Communication

None

H. Elementary Principal's Report

November 12, 2012

New Students

We've had 5 new students enroll at school this month. Three different families have moved into the school district.

Veteran's Day Luncheon

We hosted our Veteran's Day Luncheon on Friday, November 9th from 11:30 to 1:00. We hosted over 35 vets and their spouses. This year our Bennet Singers performed for our guests.

Advanced Ed Preparations

We will be adding an additional work day for preparations for our Advanced Ed Accreditation visit. There will be no classes for students on Wednesday as the staff will engage in activities that will help build or school portfolio and identify areas of strength and areas for growth.

New Paras Hired

We have our new para educators hired. We had a resignation in October and will lose another para following Thanksgiving. Lucinda Faunce and Nicole Snyder will be starting this month and train with our existing para staff before they leave.

Caring Project

Mr. Goodrich and Ms. Struebing will be leading the Sixth Grade with Caring Project for Hurricane Sandy victims. Money will be collected next week for the American Red Cross and earmarked for victims of Hurricane Sandy on the east coast.

I. Secondary Principal's Report

November 12, 2012

1. Veteran's Day

On Friday, Nov. 9. PHS hosted a luncheon and an assembly program to honor Our Veterans. The event was well attended.

2. FFA

Palmyra FFA Attends the National FFA Convention

Palmyra FFA members attended the 85th National FFA Convention Oct. 23-27 in Indianapolis, Indiana. FFA members stopped at Pioneer/ Dupont Research center in Johnstown, Iowa to visit the plant research facility. While at the Convention FFA members attended meeting sessions and the National Career Show with over 300 agribusiness and college exhibitors. The FFA team participated in a special Community service activity, assisting with making prepackaged meals for Homeless individuals in Haiti and Indiana. Our team made 252 pouches of food in 45 min. to help feed those individuals. Other tours were made to Trader's Point organic dairy, Harrison Vet Tech college and the Indy 500 track. The final session was the American Degree Ceremony where Dustin Schroder received the American Degree which is only presented to 1% of the National FFA members.

The Palmyra FFA land judging team placed 2nd at the 2012 State Land Judging Contest held in Beatrice Oct. 31st. The contest was hosted by the Lower Big Blue NRD and NCRS, with 26 teams and 103 participants from across the state competing. Teams must determine what class of land the site is and how to apply land treatments. To accomplish this they must be able to determine soil texture, slope, erosion and other land factors Brandon Brown placed 5th, Michael Roath placed 11th, Hannah Lionberger – 28th and Victoria Talcott- 48th and qualified as the 2nd place team to compete at the National Land Judging Contest April 30-May 2, at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

The Annual Palmyra FFA Pancake Feed/Member Auction once again was a huge success Saturday Nov. 3. Approximately 300 community members and FFA members were at the pancake feed enjoying the pancakes, sausage and drinks that FFA members made. The member auction also was overwhelmingly supported by community members and

will help FFA members participate in leadership conferences, conventions, FFA activities and community service.

The FFA hosted the semi-annual Fall Blood Drive, Nov. 6 sponsored by the Nebraska Community Blood Bank. The chapter had 57 individuals and students registered to donate blood. This drive along with the spring blood drive scheduled for March 23, help to save lives and earn scholarship money that is presented to Palmyra students each year.

J. Assistant Principal/Activities Director Report

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Wednesday, November 14th- ECNC One Act @ The Loft

Thursday, November 15th- NMEA All-State Music Convention/UNL Math Day

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

Saturday, November 17th- Junior High Boys Basketball @ Raymond Central 8:30 a.m.

Monday, November 19th - Junior High Boys Basketball @ Malcolm

Tuesday, November 20th - Hall Of Fame Kick-Off Basketball Game vs. Sterling 6:00 p.m. & 7:45 p.m.

K. Superintendents Report and Recommendations

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1. The Board reviewed the NASB document regarding general education terminology and a guide for acronyms related to educational associations and organizations.
2. The Nebraska School Activities Association wishes to recognize member schools who had No Ejections during the 2011-2012 school year. Palmyra District OR-1 is honored to be recognized as one of those member districts and wishes to thank our coaches, sponsors and student athletes for representing our District in a positive manner.
3. Consolidated Data Collections for the month of October have been submitted.
4. The Board reviewed Nebraska Student and Staff Reporting System Collections and Grants Management submissions for the month of October.
5. The Board reviewed the Nebraska Department of Property Assessment and Taxation calculations as used by NDE school finance in calculating local resources.
6. Unofficial Election Results for 2012 were presented.

L. Board of Education Development

1. The NASB State Conference is scheduled for November 14, 15, 16, at the La Vista Conference Center. Please review your calendars and I will take note to register you if you are able to attend. Early registration deadline is October 19th.
2. New Board Member workshop December 13th at the La Vista Conference Center.
3. January 13,14 Legislative Issue conference at the Cornhusker in Lincoln.

M. Topics for Next Months Agenda

Audit Report, Facilities Study, Board Self Evaluation, Annual Performance report, NASB conference.

Adjournment

- I. The meeting was duly adjourned at 8:53 o'clock p.m. on November, 2012.

Next Board Meeting-TBA

December 13, 2012 at Palmyra High School Library at 7:30 PM.

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