

PALMYRA DISTRICT OR-1 BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

DATE: June 10, 2013

A. A meeting of the Board of Education of Palmyra District OR-1 Public Schools was convened in open and public session on Monday, June 10, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. in the Distance Learning Room 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, Doug Church, Kipp Haight, Clayton Maahs, Larry Royal.

Kevin Schroder arrived at 7:47

Also Present: School Administrators Superintendent Robert Hanger, Elementary Principal Steve Robb, Secondary Principal David Bottrell and Barry Ballou from the Nebraska Association of School Boards.

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 Royal, 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:

\$68,724.30 General Fund

\$322,595.80 Payroll

\$281.60 Activity Fund Reimbursement

\$440.66 Building Fund

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

C. Scheduled Audiences:

Barry Ballou representing the Nebraska Association of School Boards presented information regarding the Nebraska Liquid Asset Fund.

D. Unscheduled Audiences: None

E. Action Items

1. Motion by Calfee, seconded by Schroder to ratify teaching contract for Michael Chaffee.

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

2. Motion by Calfee, seconded by Haight to adopt the District Vision Statement as drafted through the School Community Essential Planning Process.

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

3. Motion by Schroder, seconded by Calfee to approve the 2013-2014 Bennet Elementary and Pre-School Student Handbooks.

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

4. Motion by Royal, seconded by Church to approve the 2013-2014 Palmyra Jr.-Sr. High School Student Handbook.

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

F. Discussion Items

1. The Board discussed potential agenda items for June Board Retreat and information from the public meetings regarding the Facilities Task Force recommendations.

G. Communication

1. Ross Bartels expressed thanks to the Board for HOBY leadership opportunities.

H. Elementary Principal's Report

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K.G. Round-up Update

Right now we are at 49 students. It's looking like we might be right at 50 students.

Summer Activities

Right now we are in the summer mode. Scott is working on summer maintenance projects. The grass is growing so fast that we need to mow every five days! I'm finishing up state reports along with Mr. Brown and going through supply and requisition orders. Also starting to sort through things in my office. I have a box of stuff already collected to tote home. Many staff members are attending summer workshops during June also. I'll bring a list of staff members and workshops they are attending to the meeting Monday.

Summer Enrichment Classes

Our summer enrichment program will start on Monday, June 10th. This year we have 84 students registered for classes! That is just about twice as many as last year! We will be running three different classrooms for students from K.G. through grade 6. The theme this year is "Lights, Camera, Action!", and will be following a Hollywood Movie theme. We have seven teachers and 4 para-educators staffing the summer program. In addition our SPED staff will be meeting with resource students during this time for summer services. New this year will be bus shuttle service for students in Douglas and Palmyra. It is going to be a great summer enrichment program.

Student Hand Book

I'll hand out a draft copy of the student handbook on Monday. About the only changes that we will have will be updating staff, activities fees changes, and a modification to our Fire Drill exits for our second grade and computer lab.

Multicultural Report

I will also have an updated Multicultural Report along with a few samples of classroom activities ready for Monday's meeting.

Last Meeting

Unless something changes, this will be the last regular Board Meeting that I attend. Once again, I would like to express what an honor and pleasure it has been to serve as your elementary principal these past years. District OR-1 is a great school and I'm proud to say I have been a part of such a wonderful school-community organization.

I. Secondary Principal's Report

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1. Summer activities

Administrators and Mr. Brown are in the process of completing reports for this past year, and planning to start next year. I will have a handout at the meeting outlining workshops the staff has been to, or will be going to, during the summer.

2. Multicultural Report

Multi-cultural reports indicate compliance with 100% of staff under Rule 16:004.11. A binder of those activities is maintained at the office and I have some examples to share with you on the 10th.

3. Parent Student Handbook

Entire handbook will be handed out on Monday. Unless something from the legislature comes out, the only changes to the Jr/Sr HS handbook will be:

Article 5, Section 12, top of Page 19 – Hallway Passage – We no longer will provide planners to each student. We will utilize I-pad apps for this purpose. Therefore I've changed the hallway passage process to checking out/in when a student needs to leave class for whatever purpose.

Article 9, page 51. Student fee schedule will be updated once those decisions have been made.

J. Assistant Principal/Activities Director Report

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1. Summer Strength and Conditioning program is under way and well attended.

K. Superintendents Report and Recommendations

June 10, 2013

1. Annual Statistical Summary information was presented regarding transportation, average daily attendance, average daily membership and instructional time for all grades Pre-K through 12.
2. The Board reviewed summer building projects including work on the third floor computer lab at the High School, concrete work at Bennet Elementary and wiring work in both buildings.

L. Board of Education Development

1. Open Meetings Workshop June 26th Lincoln.

M. Topics for Next Months Agenda

Preliminary budget information, Policy review for Student Fees, Parental Involvement, and Bullying.

Adjournment

- I. The meeting was duly adjourned at 9:28 o'clock p.m. on June 10, 2013.

Next Board Meeting- July 15, 2013 at Palmyra High School Distance Learning Room at 7:30 PM.

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