

PALMYRA DISTRICT OR-1 BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

DATE: December 8, 2014

A. A meeting of the Board of Education of Palmyra District OR-1 Public Schools was convened in open and public session on Monday, December 8, 2014, at 7:00 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, Doug Church, Kipp Haight, Clayton Maahs, Larry Royal and Kevin Schroder.

Also Present: School Administrators Superintendent Robert Hanger, Elementary Principal Linde Walter, 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 Haight at 7:00 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.

Mrs. Gill-Rose presented information related to eBackPack and the use of technology in Secondary Spanish courses.

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

\$69,171.33 General Fund

\$49,248.82 Depreciation Fund

\$356,948.64 Payroll

\$25,576.38 Building Fund

\$677.85 Activity Fund Reimbursement

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

**C. Scheduled Audiences: None**

**D. Unscheduled Audiences: None**

1. Janine Theiler presented a handout regarding community feedback from the recent bond election. This includes information from face to face conversations, phone conversations, social media etc...
2. Craig Bolz commented regarding the recent "Meet the Candidates forum" held in Palmyra, the Board's decision to purchase the property east of Casey's, the potential loss of students to the new LPS middle school, Superintendent salaries and academics versus facilities.

**E. Action Items**

1. Motion by Calfee, seconded by Church to receive the 2014 Audit Report.

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

2. Motion by Calfee, seconded by Maahs to receive the Annual Rule 10 Report.

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

**F. Discussion Items**

1. Mr. Hanger updated the BOE regarding the house at 600 West 9<sup>th</sup> St. and the listing of the property.

**G. Communication: None**

**H. Elementary Principal's Report**

December 8, 2014

1. Our Holiday Music Concert was Tuesday, December 2nd at the High School. The Kdg-3<sup>rd</sup> grade performed and then our 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades, Bennet Singers, and 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade Band. It was very well attended by family and friends. A big thank you goes out to Mrs. McCreight and Mrs. Murphy-Robb for their planning and time in putting together a wonderful program.

2. On December 3<sup>rd</sup> there were a group of teachers from the High School and Elementary who attended a Language Arts Curriculum Alignment Standards Workshop. The staff began the process of updating our curriculum maps to reflect the English Language Arts Standard changes across all grade levels.

3. Our first semester will come to an end on Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. We will be dismissing on December 19<sup>th</sup> for Winter Break and returning January 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **I. Secondary Principal's Report**

December 8, 2014

1. 7-12 winter music program

Will be Monday, December 15, at 7:00 p.m. in the gym.

2. The Board reviewed information from the Fall Blood Drive.

3. The Board reviewed Fall Athletic Recognition.

### **J. Assistant Principal/Activities Director Report**

December 8, 2014

The Board reviewed upcoming activity dates.

### **K. Superintendents Report and Recommendations**

December 8, 2014

1. Mr. Hanger reported information regarding the District OR-1 ACT profile.

2. The Board was informed that the Rule 10 Accreditation report and the Rule 11 Pre-school Report have been submitted and accepted by NDE.

3. The Board reviewed quarterly budget information for the first quarter of fiscal 2014.

### **L. Board of Education Development**

1. January 12<sup>th</sup> work session at 5:00 p.m.

2. Legislative issues conference in Lincoln January 25, 26.

3. Education Forum in Kearney February 3, 4.

4. Presidents Retreat February in Lincoln 23, 24.

5. The Board and Administrative team recognized outgoing Board member Larry Royal for his service to the OR-1 school community.

**M. Topics for Next Months Agenda**

Reorganization of the Board, election of officers and committee assignments.

**Adjournment**

I. The meeting was duly adjourned at 8:10 o'clock p.m. on December 8, 2014.

**Next Board Meeting-** at Palmyra High School Distance Learning Room at 7:00 P.M.  
January 19, 2015.

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