

Board of Education
Pawnee Community Unit School District #11
Wednesday, December 15, 2021
6:00 p.m. – Closed Session, Unit Office
7:00 p.m. – Regular Session, Cafeteria

Action 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Ward called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Members present: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward, Wort

Members absent:

Administrators Present: Hennemann, Kratochvil, and Recording Secretary Roseberry

Info 2. Request Closed Session to discuss the employment, compensation, resignation of specific employees of the District, collective bargaining matters between the District and its employees or their representative, student discipline and to discuss pending or probable litigation as provided by 5ILCS120/2(C)1,2,9, and 11.

Motion: Go into executive session for the stated purpose.

Motion: *Megginson*

Second: *Kern*

Ayes: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward, Wort

President Ward declared the meeting open at 7:05 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-please stand if able

Action 3. Communications

Christmas Card was received from Petker Construction. Thank You notes were received from Jessica Kincaid and the Family of Michael Goyke.

Info 4. Good News

Hennemann reported: November Students of the Month are 7th grader Ben McCallum and 8th Grader Eli Scoles. Winter Concerts were held on December 13th and 14th and went very well.

Kratochvil reported: November Student of the Month is Justin Skinner. The Spring Play will be Father of the Bride.

Info 5. PTO and Student Council updates

Leanne Gehrs reported for the PTO. The Secret Santa Workshop was very successful. The PTO has completed everything with the Secretary of State to become Non-For-Profit.

Action 6. Approval of Minutes

Action 6.1 Approve regular board meeting minutes of November 15, 2021

Motion: Approve the regular board meeting minutes of November 15, 2021.

Motion: Kern

Second: Megginson

Ayes: Wort, Ward, Morell, Megginson, McTaggart, Kern, Clarke

Action 7. Approval of Financial Reports and Expenditures

Action 7.1 Consideration and approval of financial reports and expenditures

Motion: Approve the financial reports and expenditures of \$413,212.04 and addendum bills of \$6,795.70.

Motion: Morell

Second: Clarke

Ayes: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Wort, Ward

Info 7.2 Discussion of annual tax levy

Action 7.3 Adopt the annual tax levy

Motion: Adopt the annual tax levy as presented.

Motion: Megginson

Second: McTaggart

Ayes: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward, Wort

Info 8. Recognition of Visitors

None.

Info 9. Administrative Reports

Reports herein attached.

Steffen reported: JH Basketball will be hosting 8th grade night on December 16th. JH/HS Cheer will be putting on a "wrapped up in cheer" event for the basketball game on December 18th. There will be a food drive for the Pawnee Food Pantry and a half time performance. JH will be decorating the gym for 8th grade night. The HS Boys' and Girls' Basketball seasons are underway. Holiday tournaments will be held after Christmas and will be moving towards county tournaments in January. JH Volleyball have started practices. They have 10 8th graders, 6 7th graders and 17 6th graders.

Hennemann reported: Pre-K compliance visit was held on December 13, 14 & 15; K-6 teachers will have professional development on our Really Great Reading phonics curriculum on December 10th; Pre-K teachers will have training on December 10th on how to screen students for Pre-K.

Principal Kratochvil reported: Finals will be this week; finishing up on teacher evaluations; Mrs. Hyde took the Sophomore class to CACC for the CONNECT Career Day sponsored by the Regional Office of Career and Technical Education.

Superintendent Kratochvil reported: Attended a webinar to evaluate principals; attended the SASSED board meeting; met with the administrative team; met with a representative from IASB to begin school board policy manual work; asbestos testing will resume in the school; meeting with contractors regarding various projects in and outside of the building; working on 1% Sales Tax projects.

Info 10. Old Business
Info 10.1 Update on projects

Info 10.2 Discussion on non-certified handbook

Action 10.3 Approve update to non-certified handbook

Motion: Approve the update to the non-certified handbook to allow three (3) vacation days to roll over as presented.

Motion: Megginson

Second: Kern

Ayes: Wort, Ward, Morell, Megginson, McTaggart, Kern, Clarke

11. New Business

Info 11.1 Discussion on Senergy gym sound equipment

Action 11.2 Consideration and approval of Senergy gym sound equipment purchase in the amount of \$2,040.00.

Motion: Approve the Senergy gym sound equipment purchase in the amount of \$2,040.00.

Motion: Wort

Second: McTaggart

Ayes: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward, Wort

Info 11.3 Discussion of PRESS services

Action 11.4 Consideration and approval of PRESS policy manual and customization agreement

Motion: Approve the PRESS policy manual and customization agreement in the amount of \$5,400.00.

Motion: Kern

Second: Megginson

Ayes: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Morell, Wort, Ward, Megginson

Action 11.5 Consideration and approval of teacher resignation

Motion: Accept the resignation of Jessie Ervin as junior high/high school business teacher, class sponsor and computer coordinator effective December 31, 2021.

Motion: Clarke

Second: Morell

Ayes: Wort, Ward, Morell, Megginson, McTaggart, Kern, Clarke

Action 11.6 Consideration and approval of elementary check in/check out teacher

Motion: Approve hiring Michele Lowry as the elementary check in/check out teacher.

Motion: Kern

Second: Clarke

Ayes: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward, Wort

Action 11.7 Consideration and approval of junior high/high school FACS teacher

Motion: Approve hiring Molly Ball as junior high/high school FACS teacher for the 2022-2023 school year pending completion of her educational program, proof of credentials and completion of background results.

Motion: Kern

Second: Ward

Ayes: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward, Wort

Action 11.8 Consideration and approval of Pawnee CUSD #11 music teacher
Motion: Approve hiring Carter Duffer as Pawnee CUSD #11 music teacher for the 2022-2023 school year pending completion of background check.

Motion: Wort

Second: Clarke

Ayes: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward, Wort

Action 11.9 Consideration and approval of 5th/6th grade social studies teacher
Motion: Approve hiring Brandon Hott as 5th/6th grade social studies teacher for the 2022-2023 school year pending completion of background check.

Motion: Megginson

Second: Wort

Ayes: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward, Wort

Action 11.10 Consideration and approval of 6th grade boys' basketball coach
Motion: Approve hiring Dylan Seitz as the 6th grade boys' basketball coach.

Motion: Ward

Second: Morell

Ayes: Wort, Ward, Morell, Megginson, McTaggart, Kern, Clarke

Action 11.11 Consideration and approval of high school sponsor
Motion: Approve Jessica Kincaid as high school sponsor.

Motion: Kern

Second: McTaggart

Ayes: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward, Wort

Action 11.12 Consideration and approval of computer coordinator
Motion: Approve Courtney Schrage as computer coordinator.

Motion: Clarke

Second: Megginson

Ayes: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward, Wort

Info 11.13 Discussion of additional staffing

Info 11.14 Discussion of COVID testing

Info 11.15 Board member report on board convention

Motion: Return to Executive Session at 9:34 p.m.

Motion: Wort

Second: Morell

Ayes: Kern, Morell, Wort, Megginson, McTaggart, Ward, Clarke

President Ward declared the meeting open at 10:32 p.m.

Motion: Seal the minutes of Executive Session.

Motion: McTaggart

Second: Clarke

Ayes: Wort, Morell, Kern, Megginson, McTaggart, Ward, Clarke

Action 12. Adjournment


Motion: Adjourn the meeting at 10:33 p.m.

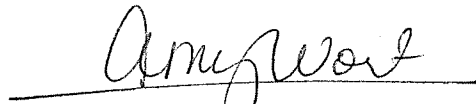
Motion: Morell

Second: Kern

Ayes: McTaggart, Wort, Clarke, Kern, Ward, Megginson, Morell

Next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for—
Wednesday, January 19, 2022
Pawnee School Cafeteria
6:00 p.m.—executive session
7:00 p.m. - regular session


President


Secretary

**Pawnee Grade School
Board Report: January 19, 2022**

Pawnee Grade School Enrollment									
PreK (PFA – ½ day)		PreK (fee)	Kdg	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
31		16	43	29	40	42	28	50	49
Sections:			3	2	2	2	2	3	2
Numbers shown are updated as of January 14, 2022.									

Good News:

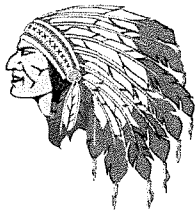
- 7th Grade Student of the Month – Randy Schutt
- 8th Grade Student of the Month – Emma Selhime

Personnel:

- Recommend Jenny Behrent for the RtI Math position.
- Baseball coach recommendations.
- I would like to ask for permission to add a Math RtI position.

Administrative Report:

- Discipline to report – 1 suspension from school / 2 bus suspensions.
- Report cards for 2nd quarter were available via TeacherEase on Friday, January 7.
- Reading Night has been cancelled this year due to COVID. We still hope to have our Arts Night Open House.
- We had our Pre-K monitoring visit the week of December 13. We just received the report last Wednesday.
- Reading/Math RtI progress update from Leanne Gehrs.
- I would like permission to begin planning for the usual 2 week summer school Title-funded reading program we do in early August.
- COVID update
- Evaluations:
 - Evaluations are ongoing



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Superintendent/H. S. Principal's Report

January 2022

Current Enrollment: High School-149(151) Junior High-81(78) Total:230(229)

7th-37 () 8th-44(45) 9th-41(45) 10th-37(40) 11th-33(38) 12th-38(37)

Grade School-341

Discipline:

- One suspension-ER

Good News:

- The December High School Student of the Month is Maya Rodriguez.

Academic Counselor's Office Report:

- Local Scholarships are now available in Mrs. Hyde's Office and also on her Google Classroom. These are DUE March 14, 2022 by 3:15pm.
- LLCC Reg Prep Day is scheduled for April 22nd. This is a day that LLCC has reserved for Pawnee seniors to get registered and complete required orientation for classes starting after graduation.
- CACC will be here Thursday, January 20th, for an informational meeting with any interested students. Parents/Students may attend the Open House on January 27th. Information on Mrs. Hyde's Google Classroom.

Principal

- Working on completing evaluations.

Superintendent

- Monthly Update
 - Attended the SASED board meeting.
 - Attended the School Masters Meeting
 - Met with John of BLDD Architects in reference to building projects and bleachers.
 - Met with the administrator team.
 - Met with Mark Graves of Omni Energy performance contractors.
 - Met with Jay Korte of Korte Construction.
 - Met with Gene Mackey of Ameresco performance contractors.
 - Meeting with Boyd from IASM on January 20 from IASB to begin school board policy manual work.
 - Met with Mike O'Shea or O'Shea builders.
 - Met with Union representatives.
 - Green Edison
 - \$12,000
 - Kedra completed the kitchen grant.
 - We have started asbestos testing in the school.
 - Update on Lighting update.
 - I will be appearing on WTIM radio monthly starting Jan 26 at 9:10.
 - Bathroom update
 - VISTRA Solar Storage Plant
 - Property tax payment from the solar and battery storage, \$704-880K per year
 - Communicating with M/B heating and cooling on future restroom projects.

Home of the Indians

- Maintenance Grant Approved: \$50,000+
 - Pre-K Heating and Cooling, Media Center Entrance Ceiling, Elementary Entrance and Canopy, Various Exterior Doors
- Bus Maintenance
 - Heating Coil
- Legal Update
 - Teacher on Maternity Leave
 - Security at Games
 - Snacks at events
- 1% Sales Tax Projects
 - This month's projects
 - School Fix
 - Garbage Cans/Security Gates/Interior Signage \$14,691.05
 - Canham
 - Exterior/Interior Signage \$3,228
 - Future 1% Sales Tax Projects
 - A building Painting/Goal Posts \$6,200
 - A building gutters/Soffit \$7,841.91
 - Baseball/Softball Fencing \$10,993
 - Football Playclocks \$5,154
 - Sprinkler System \$16,800
 - Fertilizer Program \$2,640
 - Press box \$45,552.00
 - Locker room Remodel \$25,000
 - ESSER III or 1% Sales Tax
 - Security System \$251,700
 - Intercom System \$29,452
 - Water Fountains \$5,000
 - Cafeteria Sound System \$12,075
 - Cafeteria Freezer \$40,000
 - Discussion of bleachers.
 - Option 1 and Option 1B No charge
 - Option 2 \$6,200
 - Discussion of building projects
 - Weightroom/Gym
 - HVAC
 - Elementary Addition
 - Discussion of Health Life Safety Projects
 - Discussion of architect
 - Discussion of COVID

Personnel:

- Open Positions
 - 6th grade Girls Basketball, Paraprofessionals, Sub Bus Drivers and Custodians