

Board of Education
Pawnee Community Unit School District #11
Wednesday, January 18, 2023
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 6:03 p.m.

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

Members absent: Clarke

Administrators Present: Kratochvil, Hennemann, Goodall 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 *5/LCS120/2(C)1,2,9,and 11*.

Motion: Go into executive session for the stated purpose.

Motion: Morell

Second: McTaggart

Ayes: 6-0

Clarke arrived at 6:26 p.m.

President Ward declared the meeting open at 7:22 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-please stand if able

Info 3. Communications

Thank you card from Kedra Brown and the cafeteria staff for the new Cooler and Freezer.

Info 4. Good News Reports

Steffen reported: None.

Hennemann reported: Andrea Condon is working with Leah Brock to start a Kindness Club.

Goodall reported: Student of the Month for December was Ashlyn Kern. January Students of the Month for junior high will be announced at a later date. Positive Behavior Log Winners for January will be announced later in the month.

Kratochvil reported: None.

Info 5. PTO and Student Council updates

Leanne Gehrs reported for the PTO. Donkey Basketball will be held in February. The community has been very receptive and is excited. The PTO is paying for the Kindergarten and 1st grade field trips to UIS. They are also paying for half of a new desk for Angela Williams.

Zachary Waldeck reported for the Student Council. They will be having a basket raffle fundraiser soon. Winter Carnival is February 11th. They are selling Winter Carnival t-shirts.

Info 6. Recognition of Visitors

None.

Info 7 Approval of Minutes

7.1 Approve regular board meeting minutes of December 21, 2022

Motion: Approve the amended regular board meeting minutes of December 21, 2022.

Motion: Clarke

Second: McTaggart

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

Info 8. Approval of Financial Reports and Expenditures

Action 8.1 Consideration and approval of financial reports and expenditures

Motion: Approve the financial reports and expenditures of \$121,786.99.

Motion: Morell

Second: Kern

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

Info 9. Administrative Reports

Reports herein attached.

Steffen reported: HS Girls' Basketball won 7th place out of 16 teams at the Riverton Holiday Tournament. HS Cheer took 2nd place at the Waverly Tournament cheer competition. The 7th grade Boys' Basketball team placed 3rd in the Sangamon County Tournament. 7th and 8th grade Boys' Basketball will play in Regionals later this month. JH Volleyball games have started. 7th and 8th grade tournaments will be held January 28th and February 4th.

Hennemann reported: Report cards for 2nd quarter were available through TeacherEase on Friday, January 6th. Reading Night & Arts Night Open House is scheduled for Thursday, April 13th. I would like to begin planning for Summer School sessions.

Goodall reported: Mrs. Gehrs & I have been working on the Mentorship Program. We have discussed assigning CPDU's to the veteran mentor teachers this year. I have been working with our new SRO, Officer Reynolds. He has been covering JH/HS lunch duty along with covering a portion of bus line-up. He has also assisted with several non-emergency situations and is beginning to develop relationships with our student body. Second round of evaluations are ongoing. We are working hard on restorative practices/approaches as to discipline.

Superintendent Kratochvil reported: I attended meetings with SASSED, ROE & IASA. The railing company will be here in January to complete the Pre-K steps project. The new Cooler & Freezer for the cafeteria was installed over Christmas break. The new security/intercom system should be done by the end of January. The mural artwork for the locker room should be starting next week. The Activity Buses are scheduled for June 2023. I am still working on getting bid documents for the blacktop resurfacing.

Info 10. Old Business

Info 10.1 Building Discussion

Info 10.2 Discussion of Press Updates

Action 10.3 Consideration and approval of Press Updates

Motion: Approve the Press Updates as presented other than 5.250.

Motion: Clarke

Second: Kern

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

Motion: Approve Press update 5.250 without a requirement to show proof of vaccination for COVID.

Motion: Clarke

Second: Kern

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

Nay: Megginson

Info 11. New Business

Action 11.1 Consideration and approval of Pehlman and Dold, P.C. to conduct our annual audit

Motion: Approve Pehlman & Dold, P.C. to conduct the annual audit.

Motion: Wort

Second: Megginson

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

Action 11.2 Consideration and approval of paraprofessional

Motion: Approve hiring Emily Dozier as paraprofessional pending completion of all paperwork and background checks.

Motion: Kern

Second: Wort

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

Action 11.3 Consideration and approval of head junior high track coach

Motion: Approve hiring Scott Riggs as head junior high track coach.

Motion: Morell

Second: Megginson

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

Action 11.4 Consideration and approval of volunteer high school baseball coaches

Motion: Approve Dave Jones, Tom Garvin, Tony Garvin, Joe Morell and Brandon Hott as volunteer high school baseball coaches.

Motion: Wort

Second: McTaggart

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

Abstain: Morell

Action 11.5 Consideration and approval of volunteer 6th grade boys' basketball coach

Motion: Approve Jerry Clarke as volunteer 6th grade boys' basketball coach.

Motion: Kern

Second: Megginson

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

Abstain: Clarke

Action 11.6 Consideration and approval to declare Bus 8 as surplus

Motion: Approve declaring Bus 8 as surplus.

Motion: Wort

Second: Kern

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

Return to Executive Session at 9:00 p.m.

Motion: Seal the minutes of Executive Session.

Motion: *Megginson*

Second: *Clarke*

Ayes: 7-0

Action 12. Adjournment


Motion: Adjourn the meeting at 10:46 p.m.

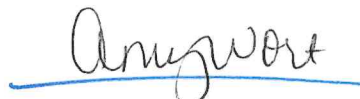
Motion: *Wort*

Second: *Morell*

Ayes: 7-0

Next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for—
Wednesday, February 15, 2023
Pawnee School Cafeteria
6:00 p.m.—executive session
7:00 p.m. - regular session


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Athletic Director Report

7th Grade boys basketball won conference going undefeated. Finished their season with a loss in regional championship

8th Grade volleyball won the Pawnee tournament and will compete in county next weekend

Ava Rodriguez earned all tournament team for the HS girls basketball county tournament

We've had to cancel two HS girls basketball games due to not having enough girls healthy

Mini cheer had about 70 girls attend. Coach Fulton said this is the biggest group she has ever had.

Girls Basketball started regionals on 2/11 at Routt. results pending

HS boys basketball had senior night on 2/14. and will begin regionals on 2/18.

HS baseball and softball will start practice later this month and initial numbers look to be around 18-20 athletes for each sport but we will know when as the season gets closer.

**Pawnee Grade School
Board Report: February 15, 2023**

Pawnee Grade School Enrollment									
PreK (PFA – Guess)		PreK (PFA - Barham)	Kdg	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
31		21	50	37	26	39	42	30	49
Sections:			3	2	2	2	2	2	3
PK-6 total = 325									
*Numbers shown are updated as of February 10.									

Good News:

*7th grade boys basketball – MSM Conference Champions

*8th grade girls volleyball – Pawnee 8th grade

Spelling Bee winners:

School Spelling Champion – Bre Reese

4th Grade- Layton Polistina, Jane Quishpe-Rodrick

5th Grade- Bo Dillon & Katie Waddell

6th Grade- Cade Skogsberg & Bre Reese

Personnel:

- Resignation of Bre Koen as paraprofessional.
- Resignation of Emily Dozier as paraprofessional.
- Recommend Kayla Cundiff as paraprofessional.
- Resignation of Dalton Doerfler as 7th grade basketball coach.
- Recommend Jonny Swanson as head junior high track coach.
- Recommend Stephani Steffen as junior high assistant track coach.
- Recommend Jeff Nichols as paid assistant high school football coach.
- Recommend Karen Shurts as volunteer junior high track coach.
- I have posted the 1st grade teacher position and have 8 candidates so far.

Administrative Report:

- Discipline –
- E-Learning Data - K-6: total 93%
- Pre-K had a breakfast event on February 10. Pre-K has now filled 54 spots!
- Professional development: February 10 - math teachers training
- Leanne Gehrs and I attended Mental Health First Aid training on February 8.
- Evaluations:
 - I am working on finishing up evaluations



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JH/HS Principal Report
Feb. 2023

"The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically.

Intelligence plus character- that is the goal of true education. "

Good News Report:

- **Positive Behavior Log Winners:**

- **JH:** Alyssa Kohl
- **HS:** Eli Scoles
- **Student of the Month:**
- **JH January:** (7th grade) Emma Mattes & (8th grade) Mila Henson
- **HS February:** (12th grade). Alex Etter. Information attached.

- **High Honor Roll/Honor Roll:**

Semester 1 HS High Honor Roll:

Fr:20

Soph:10

Jr:11

Sr:12

Semester 1 HS Honor Roll:

Fr:8

So:10

Jr:15

Sr:12

Quarter 2 JH High Honor Roll:

8th Grade: 13 Students

7th Grade: 19 Students

Quarter 2 JH Honor Roll:

8th Grade: 21 Students

7th Grade: 19 Students

- **Pawnee ACES Academic Challenge Varsity Team:** Pawnee placed 2nd in the contest and will advance to the sectional contest to be held in March! The team is sponsored by Mrs. Lisa Bolsen.

- Justin Skinner (Physics/ Chem)
- Morgan Lanheim (English/Math)
- Hayden Masters (Computer Science/Math)
- Cooper Glen (Bio/Computer Science)
- Zachary Waldeck (Bio/English)
- Claire Oliver (English/Bio)
- Drew Hisel (Math/Physics)
- Kalee Hinds (Eng/Chem)
- Jacob Gordon (Math/Computer Science)

Living a Mission and Vision Focused on Results:

- **Testing:** IAR testing for 7th and 8th graders will occur the week of March 20th. ISA testing of 8th graders will be March 24th. ISA testing for our 11th graders is

the morning of March 30th. SAT and PSAT testing is April 12th. Our Juniors will test at Pawnee Assembly of God. Our 9th and 10th graders will test that morning within our classrooms.

Leading and Managing Systems Change:

- **Work Readiness Program:** Mrs. Kern, Mrs. Hyde and Mrs. Goodall met to review and discuss our current STEP and our PHS Work Readiness Program. Since newly expanding this opportunity to our juniors and seniors outside of SASSED, we are increasing our processes of rigor to demonstrate program growth. Therefore, we will be expanding the number of required timesheet submissions from our students as well as expanding the number of evaluations performed with our work supervisory partners. This change will be reflected in the PHS Course Study Guide as well as our Handbook. This has been a wonderful opportunity for our students this year and we look forward to continuing to refine our processes moving forward.

Improving Teaching and Learning:

- **Staff Evaluations:** Certified Teacher Evaluations are nearing completion. Non-Certified Evaluation -self-evaluations are completed and final evaluation will be completed prior to March 1.
- **JH/HS Scheduling:** High School Scheduling opens at the end of February. Mrs. Hyde will work with the current 9th-11th graders during their PE class period on Monday, February 27, 2023. Mrs. Hyde will visit the current 8th graders during their homerooms the February 27th week. Junior High Scheduling will happen in April with our current 6th and 7th grade students.

Building and Maintaining Collaborative Relationships:

- **Art Field Trip:** H. Wilson will take a few of her high school art classes to the Springfield Art Association glass blowing studio for a demonstration on 2/10/23. Students were able to see a unique technique in an environment that supports the arts. This was a free experience to both the students and the district.
- **Model UN Connection:** Joel Lemmert, a Graduate Assistant at University of Illinois Springfield reached out to me about a possible partnership of a Model UN. Mrs. Harris is currently in contact with him about her previous experience at Blackburn College to see if they can develop a one-day even in the future for our students. There is nothing set in stone, but wanted to make you aware a this possible opportunity.

Leading with Integrity and Professionalism:

- **Mentor Program:** The Mentor Program and Guide continues to be refined with the addition of optional professional development activities.
- **Crash Re-enactment:** date is April 18th with a rain date of April 19th.
- **PCEF Local Pawnee Scholarships:** these have been posted to the Senior students on Mrs. Hyde's Google Classroom. There are also hard copies available on the wall in her office. These are DUE March 13th, by 3:15 pm.

Creating and Sustaining a Culture of High Expectations

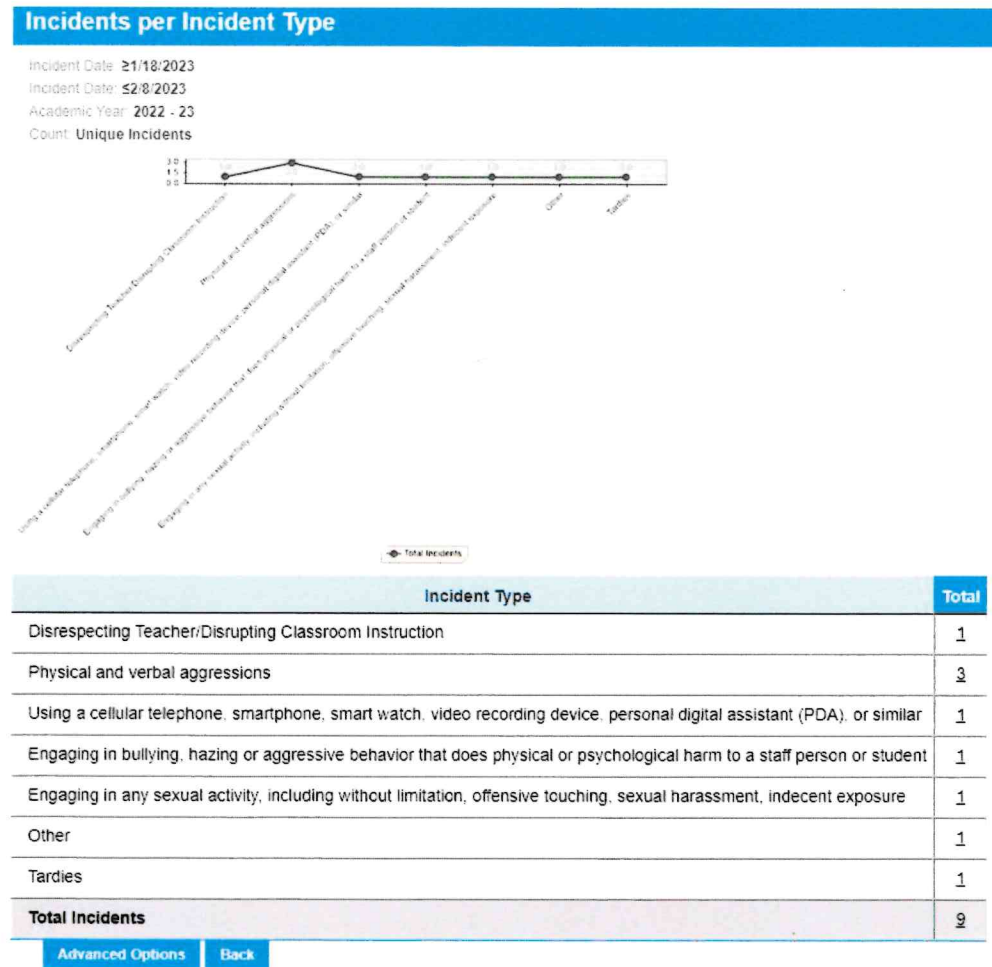
- **CACC:** CACC has been a wonderful new addition to what we can offer for our Pawnee students. This supports the college and career tracking that is done by the state of Illinois. Applications opened February 1, 2023. Right now we are at 22 students. We are enrolling 10 junior students, 6 returning to CACC from this school year and 4 new applicants. Mrs. Hyde also enrolled 12 sophomore students, all new applicants.

Personnel Updates:

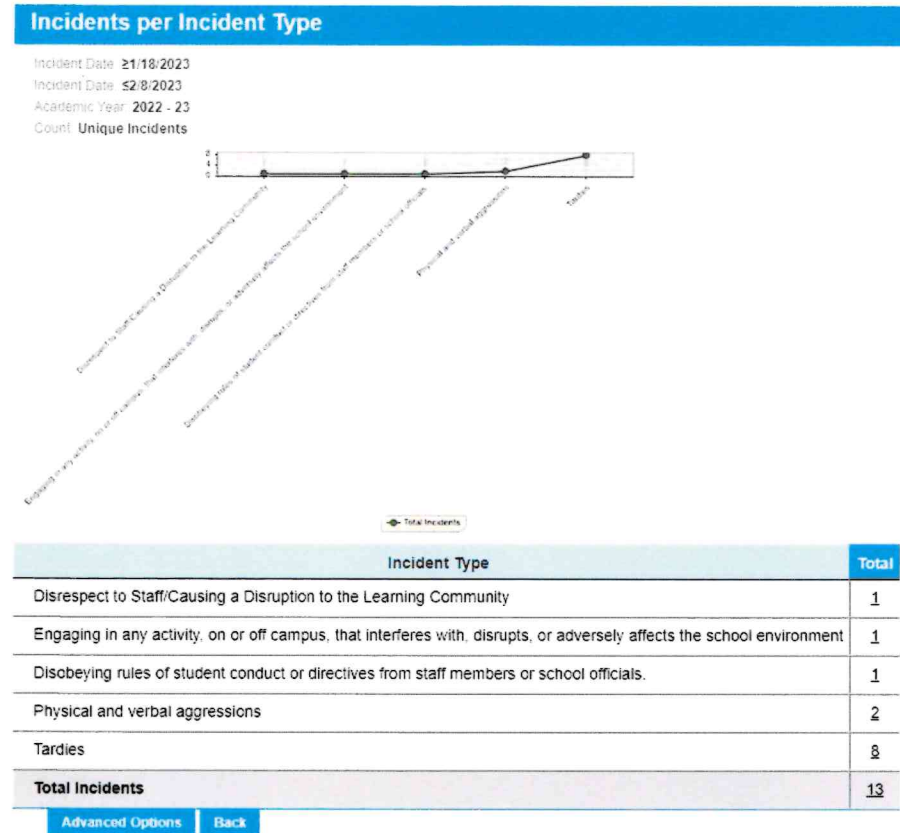
- Scott Riggs resigned from his teaching position as well as from his track coach position.

Discipline Data: Incidents per Incident Type/By Date Range

JH:



HS:



Pawnee CUSD #11 Enrollment Data:

2022-23	JH	HS
August	90	157
September	90+1	157 (-1+1)
October	91	158+1
November	91 (-1+1)	159 +1
December	91 (-2 +2)	159

January	90 (-1)	156 (-3)
February	89	156



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Name: Alex Etter is Student of the Month for Jan.

Teacher Quote: Alex always comes to class prepared and ready to work, he is always friendly and polite, and we can count on him to be a leader in group/student lead activities. He can work with anyone and is fun to have in class!

Grade: 12th grade

Parents: Christopher Etter and Jeanne Etter Willis

Siblings: Emilee, Dylan, Sarah, Jocelyn, Kaszuk

Extra-Curricular Activities: Col. Mustard in the Clue Play, Student Council, FFA, Interact

Honors or Awards: High Honor Roll, Lions Club (jr. year)

Future Plans: I plan to go to Universal Technical Institute and become a Toyota Professional Automotive Technician

What do you enjoy doing in your free time: I enjoy hanging out with my friends.