

**Board of Education
Pawnee Community Unit School District #11
Wednesday, May 20, 2020
6:00 p.m. – Closed Session, Unit Office
7:00 p.m. – Regular Session, Cafeteria**

**Agenda
“Regular Meeting”**

Action I. Call to Order

Action II. Roll Call

President Ward called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Members present: Howard, Kern, McTaggart, Shelton (Zoom), Starr (Zoom), Ward, Wort

Members absent:

Administrators Present: Cameron, Kratochvil, Hennemann, and Recording Secretary, Roseberry

Info III. 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 at 6:03 p.m. for the stated purpose.

Motion: Wort

Second: Howard

Ayes: 7-0

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

Action IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-please stand if able

Action V. Approval of Minutes

Approve regular board meeting minutes of April 15, 2020

Motion: Approve the April 15, 2020, regular board meeting minutes.

Motion: Kern

Second: McTaggart

Ayes: 7-0

Info VI. Public and Employee Comments and Questions

None

Info VII. Administrative Reports

Reports herein attached.

Mr. Hennemann reported: Mae McTaggart was recognized by the IPA for academic excellence and leadership; 64 students benefited from the use of the school-issued chromebooks; He thanked the teachers and secretaries who helped with the distribution of student materials; and we are awaiting clearance from the State to finalize the planning of summer school..

Mr. Kratochvil reported: Nick Neuber was selected for a \$500.00 scholarship from the Illinois Principal's Association; Nick Rice and Nick Neuber were selected for the IPA Leadership Breakfast; High School scheduling is complete and Junior High will begin next week; Senior Parade is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on May 22nd; a formal graduation ceremony would be held on the football field on Friday, July 10 with a rain date of July 11, if the gathering restrictions have not been lifted by that date, a drive-thru ceremony on the square will be at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 12th; Friday Night Lights to honor the front-line workers and Seniors had a wonderful turn out; Senior Spotlight and E-Learning plans are in the works.

Mr. Cameron reported: He thanked the staff for doing a great job during this unprecedented time; Officer Burnley is working on his report of vandalism to school property and will present it to the Board; we are awaiting word from the ROE on ISBE guidelines for returning to school in August; a task force committee will be assigned and that first meeting will be June 9th at 10:00 a.m.; and a reminder that the Senior Parade will be held on Friday, May 22nd at 7:00 p.m.

Info VIII. Financial Report

No questions.

Info IX. PTO and Student Council updates

Jessica Megginson asked if the PTO could purchase a sign for the front of the school.

Action X. Agenda Items for Discussion and/or Action
Action A. Approval of Financial Reports and Expenditures
Motion: Adopt the financial reports and expenditures of \$94,172.30 and addendum bills of \$8,806.28.

Motion: Kern

Second: Ward

Ayes: Kern, Howard, McTaggart, Shelton, Star, Ward, Wort

Action B. Approval of the resignation of Mark Rabideau as high school assistant baseball coach

Motion: Motion to approve the resignation of Mark Rabideau as high school assistant baseball coach.

Motion: Wort

Second: Howard

Ayes: Wort, Ward, Starr, Shelton, McTaggart, Kern, Howard

Action C. Approval of board Press Policy updates as presented.

Motion: Approve the board Press Policy updates as presented.

Motion: Kern

Second: Howard

Ayes: Howard, Kern, McTaggart, Shelton, Starr, Ward, Wort

Action D. Approval of the consolidated district plan as presented.

Motion: Approve the consolidated district plan as presented.

Motion: Kern

Second: Wort

Ayes: Wort, Ward, Starr, Shelton, McTaggart, Kern, Howard

Action E. Approve the employment of junior high assistant softball coach.

Motion: Approve the employment of John Harney as junior high assistant softball coach.

Motion: Ward

Second: Kern

Ayes: Kern, Howard, McTaggart, Shelton, Starr, Ward, Wort

Action F. Approve IESA membership

Motion: Approve the IESA membership.

Motion: Wort

Second: Kern

Ayes: Wort, Ward, Starr, Shelton, McTaggart, Kern, Howard

Action G. Approval of inter-fund loan from working cash to tort for \$35,000.

Motion: Approve the inter-fund loan from working cash to tort of \$35,000.

Motion: McTaggart

Second: Ward

Ayes: Wort, Ward, Starr, Shelton, McTaggart, Kern, Howard

Action H. Approval of administration compensation as presented.

Motion: Approve the administration compensation as presented.

Tabled until next meeting for further discussion.

Action I. Approval of shop electrical bid.

Motion: Approve the shop electrical bid.

Tabled until next meeting for further discussion.

Action J. Approval of Pre-k fence bid

Motion: Approve Pre-k fence bid.

Tabled until next meeting for further discussion.

Action K. Approval of grade school gym gutter repair bid.

Motion: Approve grade school gym gutter repair bid.

Tabled until next meeting for further discussion.

Action L. Approval of bus camera bid.

Motion: Approve lowest responding bidder, Midwest, of \$22,308.20 for bus camera bid.

Motion: Kern

Second: Wort

Ayes: Kern, Howard, McTaggart, Shelton, Starr, Ward, Wort

Action M. Approval of E-rate infrastructure bid.

Motion: Approve lowest responding bidder, CTI Tech, of \$11,056.83, (after E-rate covers 65% of cost), for E-rate infrastructure bid.

Motion: Kern

Second: Howard

Ayes: Wort, Ward, Starr, Shelton, McTaggart, Kern, Howard

Action N. Approval of Door "I" replacement bid.

Motion: Approve lowest responding bidder, Savage Doors, of \$8,573.28, for Door "I" replacement bid.

Motion: Ward

Second: McTaggart

Ayes: Howard, Kern, McTaggart, Shelton, Starr, Ward, Wort

Action O. Approval of Door "S" replacement bid.

Motion: Approve lowest responding bidder, Savage Doors, of \$9,512.28, for Door "S" replacement bid.

Motion: Howard

Second: Kern

Ayes: Wort, Ward, Starr, Shelton, McTaggart, Kern, Howard

Action P. Approval of light replacement with Ameren rebate bid.

Motion: Approve lowest responding bidder, Lewis Electric, of \$15,500 (\$8,200.00 after Ameren Rebate), for light replacement rebate bid.

Motion: Wort

Second: Ward

Ayes: Howard, Kern, McTaggart, Shelton, Starr, Ward, Wort

Action Q. Approval of adding a swipe card entry at Door "S".

Motion: Approve only bidder, Central Illinois Security, of \$3,200.00 to add swipe card entry at Door "S".

Motion: Ward

Second: Kern

Ayes: Wort, Ward, Starr, Shelton, McTaggart, Kern, Howard

Action R. Approval of cutting courtyard trees down with bid.
Motion: Approve lowest responding bidder, Reed Tree Service, of \$3,000.00 for the cutting down of courtyard trees bid.

Motion: Ward

Second: Wort

Ayes: Howard, Kern, McTaggart, Shelton, Starr, Ward, Wort

Action S. Approval to renew IASB membership.

Motion: Approve to renew IASB membership of \$3,050.00.

Motion: McTaggart

Second: Ward

Ayes: Wort, Ward, Starr, Shelton, McTaggart, Kern, Howard

Action T. Approval of summer workers.

Motion: Approve hiring summer workers: Maya Rodriguez, Riley Morehead, Luke Kratochvil and Connor Hennemann.

Motion: Wort

Second: McTaggart

Ayes: Howard, Kern, McTaggart, Shelton, Starr, Ward, Wort

Action U. Approval of summer projects.

Motion: Approve summer projects as presented.

Motion: Kern

Second: Ward

Ayes: 7-0

Action V. Approval of grade school summer school.

Motion: Approve grade school summer school program.

Motion: Ward

Second: Kern

Ayes: Howard, Kern, McTaggart, Shelton, Starr, Ward, Wort

Info W. Discussion of handbook changes for 2020-2021

Return to Executive Session at 10:00 p.m.

Return to Open Session at 12:09 a.m.

Starr left at 12:09 a.m.

Motion: Seal the minutes of Executive Session.

Motion: Howard

Second: McTaggart

Ayes: 6-0

Action XI. Adjournment

Motion: Adjourn at 12:10 a.m.

Motion: Kern

Second: Howard

Ayes: 6-0

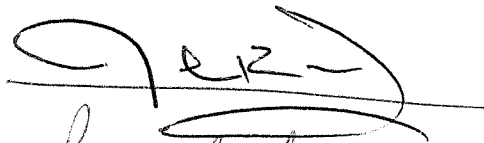
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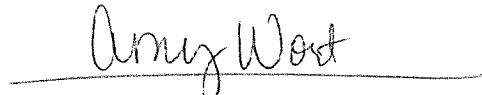
Wednesday, June 17, 2020

Pawnee School Cafeteria

6:00 p.m.—executive session

7:00 p.m. - regular session


President


Secretary

**Pawnee Grade School
Board Report: June 17, 2020**

Projected Pawnee Grade School Enrollment									
PreK(projected)			Kdg	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
Not sure ??			Not sure??	41	42	32	52	55	38
Sections:			3	2	2	2	3	3	2
Numbers shown were updated on June 11, 2020									

Good News:

- Lindsey Jankousky, Kristi Rogers, Leanne Gehrs, Scarlett Dunham, and Jacinda Roberts delivered T-shirts to their kindergarten students to put closure to the school year.
- Many teachers helped in the collection of textbooks and chromebooks on May 29.
- Reading rewards were mailed out to all winners in 1st through 6th grades. Some students earned a free meal to Krekels, while others earned gift cards for Barnes & Noble.
- PTO has partnered with the Pawnee Public Library to have a summer reading program.

Administrative Report:

- Personnel:
 - Hannah West will not be returning as a paraprofessional next year.
- Grants:
 - We have begun working on the budget for the 2020-21 Title grants.
 - We should find out if we get the PreK grant around July 15.
- Other:
 - Summer School will run for two weeks starting August 3 - we are at capacity at every grade level except incoming 3rd grade. We have waiting lists of students in the event regulations allow us to expand. Math is at capacity with a waiting list.
 - Pre-K screenings – we have a list of children that have contacted us about being screened. We hope to have a screening day within the next two weeks.



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June 2020

Junior High/High School Principal's Report

Current Enrollment: High School-171 (183)-6 Junior High-90(85)-2 Total: 261(268)-8

7th- 45(-1) 8th-45(39)-1 9th-45(39) 10th-45(49)-4 11th-44(53) 12th-37(44)-2

Good News:

- Congratulations to the April High School Student of the Month, Senior Sydney Olson. The teacher that nominated Sydney had this to say; She organized a card and small gift when a fellow student could not attend NHS Inductions. She has been working hard on her e-learning. Positive attitude. Very involved in her community! Sydney Olson is an excellent student. She is always polite and conscientious. She has worthwhile goals regarding her education post high school. She is very understated as to her high achievements as a member of the Girl Scouts.
- Congratulations to the High School Student of the Month for March, junior Chase Curtis. The teacher that nominated Chase had this to say; polite and courteous. He steps aside for adults when walking down the hall. He holds the door open for you and says please and thank you. He is prompt to class and has no behavior issues. I often need someone to run an errand and I know I can depend on him to help me.
- Congratulations to the April Junior High Students of the Month. They are 7th grader Coy Clarke and 8th grader Drew Hisel. Great Job!!
- Congratulations to the March Junior High Students of the Month. 7th Grade is Isabella Athey and 8th grade is Tyler Surber. Great Job!!!

Personnel:

- Brian Austwick resignation
- Recommend Volunteer Coaches

Guidance Office Report:

- High School schedules are done.
- Junior High Schedules are being worked on.

Activities:

- Current Job Vacancies
 - Assistant High School Track
- Graduation will be the weekend of July 10

Other:

- CACC
 - Non-Member Tuition is \$3409.75 per student per year
 - Member Tuition is \$1800 per student per year
 - To be a member, districts pay OBM (Operations, Building, Maintenance) based on the eligible juniors and seniors in their school as a percentage of total eligible juniors and seniors from all of our schools. So, with an enrollment of 100 juniors and seniors total at Pawnee, we would pay a 2.20% share of OBM. This equates to \$26,063.00 per year.
 - Our break even looks to be about 16 students. Any more than that, it would be cheaper to be a member. Any less that, and it would be cheaper to be non-member.

Home of the Indians

- 16 Students Non Member: $16 \times 3409.75 = \$54,556$ total cost
 - 16 Students Member: $16 \times 1800 = \$28,800$ (tuition) \$26,063
(OBM) + \$28,800 (tuition) = \$54,863 total cost
- My recommendation is that if I can't get a teacher for this year, we pay tuition for up to twelve students for this year at a cost of \$40,917 which is still cheaper than a teacher.
- I am not asking the board to make a decision this month as I would like to keep looking for an Industrial Arts teacher for 2020-2021.
- Handbook
 - Presented Last Meeting
 - Recommended changing senior trip language from
 - Must not have committed any of the following prior to the departure date as reported by proper authorities: Committing a federal and/or state criminal offense.
 - To **Charged with a federal and/or state criminal offense.**
 - Recommended changing Extra-Curricular language from
 - The student shall not Violate any criminal law, including but not limited to, assault, battery, arson, theft, gambling, eavesdropping, vandalism and reckless driving;
 - To; **Be charged with any violation of any criminal law, including but not limited to, assault, battery, arson, theft, gambling, eavesdropping, vandalism and reckless driving;**
 - Email Responses from our school attorney
 - **Her response to the use of the word charged**
 - Using charged, rather than "committed", seems fundamentally unfair. A person can be charged and not be guilty (or be completely innocent) of committing the offense. Charged and committed are entirely different things. Charged only reflects that there is probable cause that a crime was committed and probable cause that the person charged committed the offense. That doesn't even really reach the preponderance of the evidence standard. **I would maintain the "committed" language.**
 - And as a hypothetical situation (that I dealt with frequently when I was an Assistant State's Attorney): A person is arrested, and gives another person's name. The person whose name is given is charged with the crime. That person, even though they were not even present when the criminal conduct occurred, would be barred because s/he was charged with a crime. And, unfortunately, that happens a lot.
 - **I asked if we should change it to convicted**
 - No, convicted means that they have plead guilty or been found guilty, and sentenced. That process takes forever. **The committed language is good language, you just had an incredibly odd fact pattern with the last one.**
 - My recommendation is we leave the language as currently written.
 - **Medical Absence Language**
 - **NOTE:** If a student is sent home because it has been determined by the **nurse or administration** ~~by the staff~~ it is medically indicated, that student's absence for that day and **up to 5 consecutive days** will be counted as a medically excused absence. **After five consecutive days, a**

medical note will be necessary to excuse any absence.