

Board of Education
Pawnee Community Unit School District #11
Wednesday, February 21, 2024
6:00 p.m. – Closed Session, Unit Office
7:00 p.m. – Regular Session – Cafeteria

“Regular Meeting”

Action 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Clarke called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Members present: Boblitt, Clarke, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward

Members absent: Guess, Morell

Administrators Present: Burton, Goodall, Hennemann and Recording Secretary Roseberry

Action 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: Megginson

Second: McTaggart

Ayes: 5-0

President Clarke declared the meeting open at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-please stand if able

Info 3. Communications

None.

Info 4. Good News Reports

Hogan reported: The 8th grade Boys' Basketball team made it to State. They are among the Elite 8.

Hennemann reported: 8th grade Boys' Basketball team are the MSM Conference Champs, Regional Champs and made an appearance at State. The Spelling Bee winners are: 4th graders, Audrey Cashen & Penelope Wessel; 5th graders, Regan Sitze & Sophie Hamilton; and 6th graders, Katie Waddell & Bo Mosley.

Goodall reported: January Student of the Month is 11th grader, Addison Wangen. JH Students of the Month for February are 7th grader, Mason Howard and 8th grader, Mia Skinner. The A.C.E.S. Team had the following students place at contest: Zachary Waldeck – English/Biology; Drew Hisel – Chemistry/Math; Jacob Gordon – Physics/English; Amber Bradbury – Physics/Biology; Kalee Hinds – Chemistry/Math; Bella Athey – English/Math; Avery Ward – English/Biology; Kimber Linderman – Chemistry/Biology; Eli Scoles – Engineering/Science; Hayden masters – Computer Science/Engineering Graphics & Carson Contreras – Math/Engineering Graphics. CACC Students of the Month are: Ethan Fulton in Law Enforcement and Joslynn McElroy in Emergency Medical Technician.

Guess arrived at 7:37 p.m.

Info **5. PTO and Student Council updates**

PTO: The next meeting will be March 10th. The PTO are in the process of organizing a Paint Event for families.

Student Council: The Student Council is in the processing of planning a Progressive Dinner and will be starting the election process for the 2024-2025 school year.

Info **6. Recognition of Visitors**

The following visitors spoke: Troy Koynne; Kaiden Watts; Gary Starr; Kara Megginson; Jenna Workman; Amy Wort & Shelley Craigmiles.

Info **7. Approval of Minutes**

Action 7.1 Approve closed session and regular board meeting minutes of January 17, 2024

Motion: Approve the closed session and regular board meeting minutes of January 17, 2024.

Motion: Ward

Second: Guess

Ayes: Boblitt, Clarke, Guess, McTaggart, Megginson, Ward

Info **8. Finance Reports and Expenditures**

Action 8.1 Consideration and approval of financial reports and expenditures

Motion: Approve the financial reports and expenditures of \$366,037.95 and addendum bills of \$13,988.28.

Motion: Ward

Second: Guess

Ayes: Boblitt, Clarke, Guess, McTaggart, Megginson, Ward

Info **9. Administrative Reports**

Reports herein attached.

SRO Reynolds reported: Officer Reynolds & Mrs. Goodall collaborated with the Attorney General's Office to conduct a presentation on digital media safety to the JH & HS students. Deputy Mathew Marass with the Sangamon County Sheriff's Office will lead the Explorers Program. This program allows students to explore law enforcement. Officer Reynolds continues his daily activities and covers a wide range of tasks for purposes of maintaining the safety and well-being of the school.

Hogan reported: The 8th grade Boys' Basketball team will be recognized at tonight's board meeting for their accomplishments this season. HS Girls' Basketball season ended with a loss in the semi-finals of Regional playoffs. The co-op with Lutheran has had very positive feedback. HS Boys' Basketball started Regionals on February 19th. The JH Volleyball County Tournament began on February 17th and was hosted by Riverton. JH Regionals will be held at Mt. Olive with 7th grade starting February 24th and 8th grade starting March 2nd. The start date for HS Baseball is February 26th. The interest meeting for HS Softball was held on February 13th. The start date is February 26th. The co-op with Morrisonville and Lincolnwood for HS Track was approved. The start date was February 19th. The interest meeting for JH Track is scheduled for February 27th. The start date is March 11th. The TK embroidered patches have now been added to the Spring sports programs. Baseball will have the patch on the hats and stickers for the helmets. Softball will have the patch on the visors and stickers for the helmets. JH & HS Track will have the patch added to the long-sleeve warm-up tops. 8-man Football schedule was released in mid-January. Mrs. Hogan is close to publishing the schedule for next year. Mrs. Hogan is having difficulty getting games scheduled on Friday evenings. Officials are usually booked years in advance with 11-man teams, so it is difficult to book a Friday night 8-man game. Scheels has donated \$2,500 to the Bass Fishing program. The Concussion Committee will meet on March 28th. Pawnee will host the HS MSM Scholastic Bowl Meet on February 27th. 10 teams will compete.

Hennemann reported: the E-Learning data shows that 88% of students in K-6th participated. Pre-K had a dental event on February 9th. Pre-K has now filled all 54 spots. Pre-K screenings are scheduled for mid-May. IAR professional development training was held on February 9th for 3rd – 6th grade teachers. Mr. Hennemann is finishing up with teacher evaluations.

Goodall reported: IAR testing for JH will be held on March 18-20. ISA testing for 8th graders will be held on March 22nd. ISA testing for 11th graders will be held on April 23rd. SAT and PSAT testing is scheduled for April 17th. The Juniors will test at PHS due to internet requirements. Mrs. Goodall, Mrs. Hyde & Mrs. Polistina met with Jodie Ferriell who is the Director of ROCTE on January 18th. This meeting resulted in 3 more pathways within our Career and Technical Education Programming which will give us more access to ROCTE monies moving forward for classroom use. We added STEM, Environmental Science and Family & Consumer Science. Certified teacher evaluations have been completed. Non-certified evaluations will be addressed in March. Mrs. Hyde is currently working on scheduling for next year. The STEM and Farm To Table programs were featured twice by local media outlets. The Attorney General's Office put on a digital safety presentation on February 20th to our JH & HS students. CACC has been a wonderful addition to what we can offer to the students. In 2022-2023, we sent 14 students to CACC. This year, we sent 23 students to CACC. We are predicting 33 students to attend CACC in the 2024-2025 school year.

IASB Liaison reported: Jessica Megginson gave a brief report to the Board.

CACC Executive Council reported: Jessica Megginson gave a brief report to the Board.

Finance Committee reported: Jessica Megginson gave a brief report to the Board.

Info 10. Old Business

Info 10.1 Discussion of facility tour

Action 10.2 Consideration and approval of contract with Transportation & Residency Specialists, LLC

Motion: Approve the contract with Transportation & Residency Specialists, LLC as presented.

Motion: Ward

Second: Boblitt

Ayes: Boblitt, Ward, Guess, Megginson, McTaggart, Clarke

Info 11. New Business

Action 11.1 Consideration and approval of resignations(s) of extra-curricular staff

Motion: Accept resignation of Kitt Thein as Head Football coach.

Motion: Megginson

Second: Guess

Ayes: 5-1

Motion: Accept resignation of Mike Boren as Assistant Football coach.

Motion: Guess

Second: Megginson

Ayes: 5-1

Motion: Accept resignation of Dalton Doerfler as paid Assistant HS Baseball coach.

Motion: Guess

Second: Megginson

Ayes: 6-0

Action 11.2 Consideration and approval of resignation(s) of certified staff
Motion: Accept resignation of Kristie Clayton as JH Science teacher at the end of the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion: Ward
Second: Boblitt
Ayes: 6-0

Motion: Accept resignation of Olivia Dennison as 5th grade ELA teacher at the end of the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion: Guess
Second: Ward
Ayes: 6-0

Action 11.3 Consideration and approval of retirement of non-certified staff
Motion: Approve the retirement of Robert Hagler as IT Director effective June 30, 2024.

Motion: Boblitt
Second: Megginson
Ayes: 6-0

Action 11.4 Consideration and approval to hire Superintendent
Motion: Approve hiring Molly Edmonds as Superintendent for the 2024-2025 school year.

Motion: Ward
Second: Megginson
Ayes: Boblitt, Guess, McTaggart, Ward, Megginson, Clarke

Action 11.5 Consideration and approval to hire certified staff
Motion: Approve hiring Brandt Sitze as Band Director for the 2024-2025 school year.

Motion: Megginson
Second: Boblitt
Ayes: Guess, Boblitt, Ward, McTaggart, Clarke, Megginson

Motion: Approve hiring Evan Ihlenfeldt as JH Science teacher for the 2024-2025 school year.

Motion: Megginson
Second: Boblitt
Ayes: McTaggart, Guess, Boblitt, Clarke, Megginson, Ward

Action 11.6 Consideration and approval to hire extra-curricular staff
Motion: Approve hiring Edwin Rodriguez as Assistant HS Softball coach.

Motion: Ward
Second: Boblitt
Ayes: Ward, Boblitt, Guess, Megginson, Clarke, McTaggart

Motion: Approve hiring Cale Hennemann as Assistant HS Baseball coach.

Motion: Ward
Second: Boblitt
Ayes: Ward, Boblitt, Guess, Megginson, Clarke, McTaggart

Motion: Approve hiring Dalton Doerfler as volunteer HS Baseball coach.

Motion: Ward
Second: Boblitt
Ayes: Ward, Boblitt, Guess, Megginson, Clarke, McTaggart

Motion: Approve hiring Jon Stewart as Bass Fishing coach.

Motion: Ward

Second: Boblitt

Ayes: Boblitt, Guess, Megginson, Clarke, McTaggart

Abstain: Ward

Motion: Approve hiring Brice Kaiser as Bass Fishing coach.

Motion: Megginson

Second: McTaggart

Ayes: Boblitt, Guess, Megginson, Clarke, McTaggart

Abstain: Ward

Action 11.7 Consideration and approval of 2024-2025 school calendar

Motion: Approve the 2024-2025 school calendar as presented.

Motion: Ward

Second: Guess

Ayes: Boblitt, Guess, McTaggart, Ward, Megginson, Clarke

Action 11.8 Consideration and approval of flag in varsity gym

Motion: Approve the memorial flag to be installed in Varsity gym for up to \$10,000.

Motion: Ward

Second: Guess

Ayes: Boblitt, Guess, McTaggart, Ward, Megginson, Clarke

Info 11.9 Discussion of CACC enrollment & costs

Info 11.10 Discussion on curriculum changes with regard to weightlifting, open gym sports participation & fundraising

Info 11.11 Update from Teacher Advisory Committee member

Motion: Return to Executive Session at 9:10 p.m.

Motion: Megginson

Second: Guess

Ayes: Boblitt, Guess, Megginson, McTaggart, Ward, Clarke

President Clarke declared the meeting open at 9:51 p.m.

Motion: Seal the minutes of Executive Session.

Motion: Megginson

Second: Ward

Ayes: Guess, Boblitt, Megginson, McTaggart, Ward, Clarke

Action 12. Adjournment


Motion: Adjourn the meeting at 9:52 p.m.

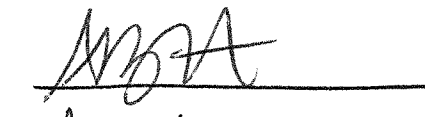
Motion: Ward

Second: McTaggart

Ayes: 6-0

Next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for—
Wednesday, March 20, 2024
Pawnee School Cafeteria
6:00 p.m.—executive session
7:00 p.m. - regular session


President


Secretary