

Ewen-Trout Creek School Board of Education
Regular Meeting
July 23, 2014
7:00 p.m.

Meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance at 7:01 p.m.

In attendance: Kirk Schott, Josh Lopac, Fred Sliger, Robin Alinen

Absent: Holly Driesenga, Amanda Brady, Nancy Kugler

Also in attendance: Superintendent Loren Vannest and Tammy Gibson

Others in attendance: Sharon Vannest & MaryBeth Perttu

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Alinen, support by Lopac to approve the minutes from the June 25, 2014 meeting. All in favor, motion carries.

Nancy Kugler arrived at 7:06 p.m.

Financial Reports

Motion by Sliger, support by Alinen to approve the financial reports and pay bills as presented. Roll call vote: all ayes, motion carries.

Food Service Bids

Motion by Lopac, support by Sliger to accept the Jilbert milk bid and the Bimbo Bakeries bread bid. Roll call vote: all ayes, motion carries.

Staffing

Driesenga arrives at 7:16 p.m.

Two applicants for the Special Ed positions: Josh Schott & Joel Hacker.

Motion by Sliger, support by Alinen to hire both applicants. Discussion regarding caseload, certifications and postings. Roll call vote: Ayes – Alinen, Sliger, Lopac, Kugler. Nays – Driesenga. Schott abstains. Motion carries.

Superintendent Vannest recommends Brenda Metas for the full-time food service position.

Motion by Alinen, support by Kugler to hire Brenda Metas for food service position. Roll call vote: all ayes, motion carries.

Schools of Choice

Motion by Lopac, support by Alinen to participate in schools of choice under Section 105 and 105c. All in favor, none opposed – motion carries.

Required Reading 7th Grade English

Curriculum committee will review book at a committee meeting on July 30. There will be a special meeting the beginning of August so the Board can take action.

Athletic Director Resignation

Motion by Sliger, support by Alinen to accept the athletic director letter of resignation from Mr. Vannest. Roll call vote: Ayes – Alinen, Sliger, Lopac, Schott. Nays – Kugler, Driesenga, motion carries.

Athletic Director Posting

Motion by Sliger, support by Alinen to post AD position internally for one month with compensation to be negotiated. Ayes – Kugler, Schott, Lopac, Sliger, Alinen. Nays – Driesenga, motion carries.

Managing Athletic Coaching Salaries

Superintendent Vannest is requesting guidelines in determining when an assistant coach is necessary. No Action Taken. Board asked for input from coaches.

Board Endorsement of Copper Mountain Basketball League (2015/2016)

Board Endorsement of Realigned Bridge Alliance Football League (2015/2016)

Motion by Sliger, support by Lopac to support both the Copper Mountain Basketball League and the Realigned Bridge Alliance Football League. All in favor, motion carries.

2014/2015 Calendar

Provided to Board as informational – Superintendent working with EA.

Graduation Date for Class of 2015

Tabled until next meeting.

Last Day for Seniors Class of 2015

Tabled until next meeting.

Administrator's Report

- Trust Fund for Area College Student Financial Aid
 - Prospective donor wishes to remain anonymous
 - Need based rather than academic performance basedProspective donor requests a Board response
 - School-wide Transition Application Approved
 - School Improvement Plan Accelerated Math
 - Title One Corrective Action
 - Master Schedule
 - Proposed Master Schedule e-mailed to Board and staff on 7/15, and copy available in Board packet. Alternate "Savings" Master schedule developed in an effort to get closer to a balanced budget, copy in Board packet
- Staff feedback opportunity provided and revision made based upon input received not all staff suggestions were implemented precisely as staff had outlined, but their primary concerns were addressed with the revised plan
- Recommend referring to finance and curriculum committee for a decision and adoption

Need to schedule meetings no later than next Wednesday, 7/30

- Board Goals Report
 - No written goals submitted to Superintendent for compiling by any Board member to date
 - Maintenance/Custodial Staffing
 - PCMI position posted
 - To Do List for August:
 - i. Complete football schedule (delayed due to alternative considerations)
 - ii. Schedule middle school athletics
 - iii. Finalize Master Schedule, Goal: completed by 7/30
 - iv. Update Student Credit Audits in preparation for scheduling HS students, Goal: completed by 8/1
 - v. Schedule HS students, Goals: completed by 8/8, mailed out by 8/11, drop-add window: 8/13, 8/14
 - vi. Rewrite Parent/Student Handbook utilizing NEOLA guidelines, Goal: completed by 7/31
 - vii. Initiate work on Administrative Guidelines
 - viii. Attend UP Administrator's Academy (Bay College in Escanaba, 8/4 & 8/5)
 - ix. Prepare for Staff In-service days
- In-service spread over two weeks rather than all groups during the same three days:
- 7/31 Fall Coaches meeting with A.D.
 - 8/18 Secretary in-service
 - 8/19 Paraprofessional in-service
 - 8/21 Transportation in-service
 - 8/25 New Teacher Orientation
 - 8/26 Teacher and paraprofessional in-service
 - 8/27 Teacher and paraprofessional in-service
 - 8/29 PCMI custodial staff walk through

Closed Session

Motion by Kugler, support by Lopac to enter closed session for negotiations at 9:00 p.m.
Return to open session at 9:49 p.m.

President Schott directed Tammy Gibson to post the vacancy for Alinen's Board position to be filled at the August meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:52 p.m.

President _____

Secretary _____