

The Regular February meeting of the Cayuse Prairie School Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:12pm by Chairman, Brad Cronk.

Roll: Present: Brad Cronk, Bart Woods (7:18pm), Roberta Maness and Pam Skonord. Absent: Dan Diehl. Also present: Ken Miller, Don Counsel, Barb Adams, Jennie Brown, Rick Nadeau and Heather Mumby.

Minutes: Approved.

Correspondence: None.

Additions: None.

ITEMS FOR REPORT

Administrator's Report: There was no school on February 15th in honor of President's Day. The spelling bee is scheduled for February 18th for grades 4 through 8. The county spelling bee is February 25th. Child Find is scheduled for February 19th at Evergreen and West Valley schools. Kindergarten Roundup is scheduled for April 12th at Cayuse. This will give us an idea of the number of Kindergarteners we will have next year. CRT testing is scheduled March 1st through March 26th. The 8th grade will visit the Vo-Ag center at FHS on February 9th. In the past, we have had a number of students from our school attend the Vo-Ag center. Math Counts went very well and the team placed 3rd on the county level. Five students qualified for the state championship that will be held in Bozeman in March. We are working on a list of summer projects and trying to work around grant funding guidelines. Ken Miller and Rick Nadeau are beginning to meet on a regular basis to make sure that we are all on the same page while going through the design process.

Spring Enrollment: Out enrollment is down from last year so the Preliminary Budget figures will be based on the three-year average. This year's Highest ANB Funding was \$1,123,442.30 and next year's is projected at \$1,139,788.70. This does not include direct state aide, so we won't have exact figures until March 1st, but it looks like next year's budget will be pretty close to the funding we have this year.

ACTION ITEMS

February Bills: Bart Woods moved to accept the February bills. Roberta Maness seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Introduction of New Kindergarten Teacher: Rick Nadeau introduced Amy Gardner to the Board. Amy is a recent graduate of Bozeman and will be teaching our second class of kindergarten for the second semester.

Bond Update: The Board reviewed the overall costs of the bond and the sinking fund. No action was taken.

Bond Resolution: Pam Skonord moved to adopt the resolution authorizing the execution and delivery and levying taxes for the payment of general obligation, qualified school construction bonds. Roberta Maness seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Construction Update: Ken Miller showed the Board the new plans for the gym. The motorized seating system will seat 485. The seats are made of pre-formed plastic. There will still be a 5-7' distance between the first row of seats and the court lines when the seats are folded out. The estimated cost for the bleachers is \$55,000.00. Architects Northwest is also proposing a motorized curtain that folds up into the ceiling rather than one that needs to be open and closed by hand. Several board members questioned whether this would still leave enough ceiling room for volleyball. Don Counsel suggested the Board members look at the gym at the Junior High as the ceiling height is very similar. Questions of lining the court came up as well. Should the gyms be lined for two smaller practice courts as well as the larger game court? How would this be done without causing confusion? Again, it was suggested that we look at the Junior High gym to get a better idea of what it would look like with the game court and practice courts both lined. Architect's Northwest was also asked about going wireless, particularly on the scoreboards. Ken Miller said he would look into the cost of going wireless and see how it compares to the traditional wiring.

Finally, the soil reports came back and the report stated that the soil on the designated building sight is fine for the proposed building. Bids will go out April 30th through May 31st for the gym.

Final Reading of Policies: 3225, 3225P, 5010, 5012, & 5012P: After some discussion on contact persons listed in the policies, Pam Skonord moved to accept the final reading of the policies. Roberta Maness seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously.

Second Reading of Policies: 1000, 1114, 1130, 1230, 1250, 1312, 1320, 1332, 1332P, 1401: There being no discussion, Bart Woods moved to accept the second reading of the policies. Pam Skonord seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously.

First Reading of Policies: 1402, 1410, 1425, 1441. Remove: 1410, 1421, 1421P, 1430, 1441P, 1450, 1455: There being no discussion, Bart Woods moved to accept the second reading of the policies. Pam Skonord seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously.

MEETING CLOSED FOR ADMINISTRATOR AND CLERK REVIEWS at 8:25pm

MEETING RE-OPENED at 8:56pm

Intent to Rehire: Roberta Maness moved to rehire Richard Nadeau as the Administrator for the 2010-2011 school year. Bart Woods seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

ADJOURN

There being no further discussion, Bart Woods moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:57pm
Pam Skonord seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously.

The next regular board meeting will be March 16th at 7pm.

District Clerk

Board Chair