

PALMYRA DISTRICT OR-1
Regular Meeting - Board of Education
July 12, 2010 –7:00 P.M. at Palmyra

A meeting of the Board of Education of Palmyra District OR-1 Public Schools was convened in open and public session on Monday, July 12, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. in the Library at the Palmyra District OR-1 Public Schools 425 F Street Palmyra, Nebraska. The roll was called and the following Board members were present or absent:

Present: Members present: Jaimi Calfee, Mark Clem, Clayton Maahs, Mike Powers and Kevin Schroder and Lori Bruss.

Also Present: School Administrators Superintendent Robert Hanger and Elementary Principal Steve Robb, Kim Svoboda, Brad Gabriel, Staci Dowding, Debora Knorr and Craig Bolz.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. The Secretary of the Board maintains a list of the media requesting notification of meetings and advance notification to the listed media of the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting was provided. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the publicized notice and a current copy of the Agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice. All proceedings of the Board of Education, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public .

Meeting called to order by Clayton Maahs at 7:00 p.m.

Announcement of Open Meetings Act Posting.

At the beginning of this meeting, the Chair announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the South wall of the meeting room.

Motion by Schroder, seconded by Bruss to approve all items on the consent agenda as provided.

\$ 77,676.46 General Fund

\$274,268.79 Payroll

\$ 1884.67 Activity Fund Reimbursement

After discussion and roll call vote:

Voting Yes: Bruss, Calfee, Clem, Maahs, Powers, Schroder
Voting No: None
Motion Passed: 6-0

C. Scheduled Audiences: None

D. Unscheduled Audiences: None

E. Action Items

1. Motion by Powers, seconded by Clem to approve the second reading of

- BOE Policy 503.01 – Compulsory Attendance

Voting Yes: Bruss, Calfee, Clem, Maahs, Powers, Schroder
Voting No: None
Motion Passed: 6-0

2. Motion by Bruss, seconded by Powers to approve the second reading of

- BOE Policy 508.01 – Student Health and Immunization Checkups

Voting Yes: Bruss, Calfee, Clem, Maahs, Powers, Schroder
Voting No: None
Motion Passed: 6-0

3. Motion by Calfee, seconded by Schroder to approve the Second reading of

- BOE Policy Revisions
- BOE Policy 201.06 – Vacancies
- BOE Policy 502.01 – Resident Students
- BOE Policy 503.03 – Student Absences-Excused
- BOE Policy 503.04 – Excessive Absenteeism
- BOE Policy 603.01 – Curriculum Development
- BOE Policy 704.05 – Settlement of Claims
- BOE Policy 801.04 – Bus Safety Program
- BOE Policy 801.05 – Bus Driver Supervision

Voting Yes: Bruss, Calfee, Clem, Maahs, Powers, Schroder
Voting No: None
Motion Passed: 6-0

4. Motion by Schroder, seconded by Bruss to approve the review of BOE Policy 504.18 Student Fees.

Voting Yes: Bruss, Calfee, Clem, Maahs, Powers, Schroder

Voting No: None

Motion Passed: 6-0

5. Motion by Clem, seconded by Schroder to approve the 2010-2011 Teacher Handbook.

Voting Yes: Bruss, Calfee, Clem, Maahs, Powers, Schroder

Voting No: None

Motion Passed: 6-0

6. Motion by Powers, seconded by Bruss to approve the 2010-2011 Support Staff Handbook.

Voting Yes: Bruss, Calfee, Clem, Maahs, Powers, Schroder

Voting No: None

Motion Passed: 6-0

7. Motion by Bruss, seconded by Schroder to approve the 2010-2011 Bennet Elementary Student Handbook.

Voting Yes: Bruss, Calfee, Clem, Maahs, Powers, Schroder

Voting No: None

Motion Passed: 6-0

8. Motion by Powers, seconded by Clem to approve the 2010-2011 Palmyra Jr.-Sr. High School Student Handbook.

Voting Yes: Bruss, Calfee, Clem, Maahs, Powers, Schroder

Voting No: None

Motion Passed: 6-0

9. Motion by Powers, seconded by Bruss to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining at 7:59 p.m.

Voting Yes: Bruss, Calfee, Clem, Maahs, Powers, Schroder

Voting No: None

Motion Passed: 6-0

Motion by Powers, seconded by Clem to leave executive session at 8:41 p.m.

Voting Yes: Bruss, Calfee, Clem, Maahs, Powers, Schroder

Voting No: None

Motion Passed: 6-0

F. Discussion Items:

1. The Board discussed potential dates for a retreat in September. Dates included September 11, 18, 20, 25 and 27. The retreat will include several topics including Goal Setting and Strategic Planning. No date has been established at this time.

G. Communication: None

H. Elementary Principal's Report

1. Student Handbook

A draft copy of the student handbook is attached. The major changes this year are the attendance policy change and the dating violence policy law. I also put in a note about the change in kindergarten entry starting in 2012.

2. Driver's Ed Complete

I finished up driver's ed. driving on July 1st. This year I drove with ten students. I'm happy to say that they were all fairly capable drivers. There were only a few instances where I had to step on the passenger side brake or take over the steering wheel! All ten passed their driving exam with flying colors.

3. Parking Lots Seal Coated

The parking lots were seal coated last week. This week there is a striping company coming in the paint on the parking lines.

4. Getting Ready for the New Year

The shift has started from bringing old year to a close to getting ready for the start of the new year. We will be getting requisitions sent out this week, looking at class lists/placements for the next year, getting in-service and staff development plans in place in the next few weeks.

5. School Calendar on Web Site

The school activity calendar for next year is up on the school website. You may access it by clicking on the district calendar button on the right side of the school webpage. The staff e-mail site has also been updated with the new district e-mail addresses except for new staff members. I'll get those from Burke and Dave and get them put up this month.

6. Heading to Colorado

I'll be out of the office the rest of this week, as I'm leaving for Colorado and a major bike trip on Saturday, July 10th. I'll be taking part in the Triple Bypass with over 3,000 other riders. We start the day in Evergreen and head west over Squaw Pass, after dropping back down to interstate 70, we head up to the base of Loveland Pass and then up and over Loveland Pass. This will be followed by a long decent into Dillon CO, and then a climb up over Vail Pass. From there it is all downhill to the finish in Eagle CO. All told, 128 miles of biking with over 10,000 feet of climbing in one day. It will definitely be my biggest biking challenge to date. If all goes well, I'll be back for the board meeting on Monday!

I. Secondary Principal's Report: None

J. Assistant Principal/Activities Director Report: None

K. Superintendent's Report

1. Results of the building and grounds audit of the Secondary building were presented. The Board reviewed information relating to issues dealing with heating and cooling the building including circulating pump repair, heating and cooling controls, locker rooms and scheduled window replacement. Boiler and Chiller replacement at the Bennet Elementary were also reviewed and more information will be presented as it becomes available in upcoming months. A review of the Bennet Elementary building will also be discussed at a subsequent meeting in August.

2. Superintendent transition documents and individual Board member Superintendent meetings were discussed.

Mr. Hanger expressed a desire to meet with each member of the Board in the next few weeks schedules permitting.

L. Board of Education Development

1. NASB Board of Directors Nomination process was discussed. The Board asked Mr. Hanger to inquire with NASB about the parameters of the office in greater detail.

M. Topics for Next Month's Agenda

Budget review, BOE retreat, Goal Setting

The Board of Education reserves the legal right to convene in "closed session" for discussion of any and/or all agenda items that may legally be discussed in a closed session R.R.S. 84-1410.

N. Adjourned at 8:42 p.m.—Next Regular Meeting—August 9, 2010 at Palmyra High School Library at 7:00 PM.