

BOARD TO THE PUBLIC

December 14, 2021

On December 13, 2021, the Board of Trustees of Platte County School District #2 opened a Policy Review at 6:15 PM and their Regular Meeting at 7:03 PM. This report covers the major items of business at this meeting. In addition, you are given a listing of topics, which will come up for discussion or action at future Board meetings.

1. Public Comment – None
2. Staff Recognition – In her absence, the Board of Trustees thanked Kim Schrader for her 9.5 years with PCSD#2 and wished her well upon her retirement at the end of December. The Board also congratulated Val Mills who was chosen as the District 5 winner of the Smart/Maher Citizenship Education Teacher Award winner and now will advance to the State contest to be held in early January.
3. Lego League – Mrs. Wambach and Mrs. Malcom were present with 5 of her Lego League students who competed in Casper at the State Lego League Competition. Students who competed were Caleb Dawson, Cruz Dimas, Aiden Harris, Anthony Henry, Andrew Miller, Elizabeth Miller, Laecie Nyquist, and Henry Zapf.
4. Wyoming Statue requires School Boards to reorganize at their first meeting in December. The following officers were elected as part of their reorganization: Chairman– Gary Anderson; Vice Chairman – Shawna Reichert; Treasurer – Blaine Ayers; Clerk – Lucas Zapf. At this time the following appointments were elected: BOCES-Shawna Reichert; Parks and Recreation – Sarah Seyfang; Legislative Advocacy – Shawna Reichert.
5. Mr. Freeburg, PCSD#2’s AD, was present and provided the trustees athletic schedules for the rest of the 2021-2022 School Year and the 2022-2023 schedules. He answered any questions the board had.
6. Fall Data Report – Mrs. Sisson reviewed the Fall Data Report with the trustees which included WYTop, ACT and MAP Assessments over the past few years. She answered any questions the board had.
7. **Mrs. Sisson – Principal**
 - ❖ Mrs. Sisson informed the trustees that the 4th grade class was working in Science with 200 live meal worms learning about their habitat.
 - ❖ Literacy night was held Monday evening kicking off the Little Vike’s Program for preschool age children and their parents. This program is being ran by Misty Thomas, the district’s Preschool/Early Childhood Literacy Coordinator. This program will help increase Kindergarten readiness.
 - ❖ Mrs. Sally Mack will be in the building on Tuesday, Dec 14 to read Polar Express to the the 1st Grade class.
 - ❖ On December 6th the 3rd annual Jammies and Jingles was held with approximately 100 children in attendance.
 - ❖ Charles Porter has been helping out with the green house and several vegetables have been harvested and served off of the salad bar during lunch.
 - ❖ Mr. Reichert has been busy building Christmas ornaments for the elementary children.
 - ❖ VFW Patriot Pen Award winners were: Joshua Foggie and Isaac Miller tied for 3rd place. In the Voice of Democracy contest, Libby Logan placed second.

- ❖ Enrollment at PCSD#2 is currently at 229 students K-12.
- ❖ The Holiday Bazaar was held on November 20th and was a success.
- ❖ The Fall Sport Awards were held for the Volleyball and Football season.
- ❖ The 6-12 band concert was held on December 9th.
- ❖ The K-12 Vocal concert that was scheduled for December 16 has been rescheduled for January 11th at 6:30 PM.
- ❖ House Movie day will be on Friday, December 17th

8. **Mr. Beard – District**

- ❖ Mr. Beard informed the trustees that the National School Board Association is scheduled for April 2-4 in San Diego, California.
- ❖ The Legislative Reception is scheduled in Douglas, Wyoming for January 19th.
- ❖ Plumbers have been in the building. There is 10-15 feet of sewer line that is plugged and will take some extensive work to unplug it including the replacement of some of that line. The work is planned to take place over Christmas Break.
- ❖ There have been new outside lights installed by the Park and Rec Office.
- ❖ New LED lights will be installed in the shop area.
- ❖ Mr. Beard thanked staff for all they do to keep PCSD#2 running as smooth as possible.

9. The Board of Trustees took the following actions at their meeting; approved Minutes of November 8, 2021 and of Special Meeting December 7, 2021; approved the financials and paying of the bills as presented; accepted the resignation from Abby Werner, Science effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year; approved hiring of Elana Heer, Custodian; approved the assignment of Nikki Quynn to the EILCP Board (workers comp); approved the use of COVID Leave Time for staff that had or will be out due to COVID, either ill or quarantine. This will provide COVID leave, up to 15 days, for any staff member that tests positive for COVID or is required to quarantine. If required to quarantine, one must test on day three and test on day 5 by a medical professional or at PCSD#2 . If tests are negative one may return to work on day six and wear a mask until day ten. This benefit will be retroactive to August 2021 and expire at the end of the 2021-2022 school year; approved that all staff will be given a 13th check this month in support of their personal emotional and physical well-being that has suffered due to the pandemic and this would be funded through COVID funds; Policies GBI Staff Participation in Political Activities and GBIA Staff Participation in Community Activities were tabled until January.

10. Board Comment – Board member Sarah Seyfang wished everyone a Happy Holiday. Board member Blaine Ayers asked question regarding when the snow day that was taken would be made up. Board member Shawna Reichert wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Board member Gary Anderson thanked Mrs. Werner for her time at PCSD#2 and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.