

BOARD TO THE PUBLIC

On December 12, 2022, Board of Trustees of Platte County School District #2 opened their Regular Meeting at 7:00 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 – Michelle Fross had some concerns of students bullying staff and nothing being done about it and why soft air guns were being allowed to be brought to school in the high school. She also asked why juice is only being served twice a week now during breakfast. She was invited to come in and visit with administration regarding her concerns.
2. 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 – Sarah Seyfang; Treasurer – Blaine Ayers; Clerk – Shawna Reichert. At this time the following appointments were elected: BOCES-Shawna Reichert and Kevin Gross as the alternate; Parks and Recreation – Sarah Seyfang and Blaine Ayers as the alternate; Legislative Advocacy – Shawna Reichert with Sarah Seyfang as the alternate.
3. Lego League Presentation – Karen Wambach and Daphne Malcom were present to share this year’s Lego League information. The students worked hard on their projects this year but were not able to compete in Casper due to bad road conditions. It is hoped that maybe the kids could present to the Board in the future. It was also suggested that next year the students present to the board before they go to competition.
4. Superintendent Search – Brian Farmer from WASBA presented to the Trustees via zoom how they would help the District to do the Superintendent Search. The Trustees also had information from McPherson & Jacobson, LLC.
5. Reports
 - a. **Mrs. Quynn – Business**
 - ❖ Mrs. Quynn said she had nothing to report.
 - b. **Mr. Flaherty – Facilities**
 - ❖ Mr. Flaherty provided the trustees a copy of the Facility Condition Assessment. This assessment reported on items that were found during the October 5, 2022 onsite assessment.
 - ❖ The new handicap van is in district and took some students and staff to Cheyenne for the Governor’s tree lighting ceremony.
 - ❖ The gym floors and the stage are scheduled to be refinished over Christmas Break.
 - ❖ Staff are ready for snow removal that is predicted in the next few days.
 - ❖ The gates should be in district soon and will be installed.
 - c. **Mrs. Sisson – K-12 Principal**
 - ❖ K-12 Enrollment is currently at 207 students.

- ❖ At the Coffee with the Principal there were a few staff, but no parents.
- ❖ At the Round Table early dismissal on December 21st and Intervention and how it is being used was discussed.
- ❖ Mrs. Sisson informed the trustees that the theatre productions held by the 6th grade class and the secondary students went well.
- ❖ Winter's Eve Festivities and the Staff Christmas Reception both went well and were well attended.
- ❖ Mrs. Sisson informed the trustees that Isaac Miller and Arianna Thompson were this year's Patriot's Pen winners and Caleb Christensen was the Voice of Democracy winner.
- ❖ Matt Hebbert is this year's VFW Teacher of the Year Recipient.
- ❖ The 6-12 Grade band concert is scheduled for Dec. 15th and the K-12 Grade Vocal Christmas Concert will be held on Dec. 20. Both will be held at 6:30 PM.
- ❖ The second quarter awards assembly will be on Dec 21 at 8:15 am.

d. **Mr. Beard -Superintendent - District**

- ❖ Superintendent Beard joined students and staff for the Governor's tree lighting ceremony on December 8th in Cheyenne.
 - ❖ The Legislative Reception is scheduled in Douglas, Wyoming on January 03, Board Training Workshop on January 28 in Casper, the Legislative Forum on February 5 at Little America in Cheyenne and the National School Board Association Conference is scheduled for April in Florida.
 - ❖ Superintendent Beard gave the trustees an update on the new phone system that the district is planning to purchase. Mr. Cook is waiting for one of the vendors to respond.
 - ❖ Mr. Beard thanked staff for all they do to make this year a success.
6. The Board of Trustees took the following actions at their meeting; approved Minutes of November 14, 2021 and of Work Shop November 21, 2022; approved the financials and paying of the bills as presented; accepted the resignations from Curtis Cook as Head Football Coach and Mindy Kelley as Head Volleyball Coach; approved the assignment of Nikki Quynn to the EILCP Board (workers comp); approved the adoption of the 2023-2024 Calendar on 2nd and final reading; approved an early release at 1:30 pm on December 21st.
7. Board Comment – Board member Seyfang wished everyone a Merry Christmas and thanked everyone for all they do. She also thanked Curtis Cook and Mindy Kelley for their time spent as Head Football coach and Volleyball Coach. Board member Ayers felt the Staff Reception was fun and enjoyed coming together with staff. Board member Reichert thanked everyone for all they do for the district and also felt the Christmas Reception was enjoyed by all. She also asked that in the future when the district hires for positions that it be taken into account whether they are certified coaches. Board member Gross expressed his gratitude to all who helped with the party and that he and his wife enjoyed themselves and that he is looking forward to his time serving on the board. Board member Anderson also thanked all staff for what they do for the district and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and wished everyone safe travels if they are traveling.

UPCOMING TOPICS – Monday, January 9, 2023

The regular meeting of the Board will be held at 7:00 PM in the Multi-Purpose Room. Items to be discussed in addition to regular business shall include:

- a. Name Official Depository
- b. Name Official Newspaper