

August 15, 2017

The Board of Trustees of Platte County School District #2 held a work session at 6:00 PM to work on policy review on August 14, 2017. They then 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 – Joe Brown, who recently resigned his position as custodian and bus driver, was present and thanked the District for allowing him to be a part of PCSD#2 and asked that the Board look at and consider raising the present classified staff pay scale. The Board thanked Joe for his time and dedication to the district and wished him the best.
2. Mrs. Sisson – Mrs. Sisson shared with the board that some of the standards were close to being posted on the District’s website. In September she will have and will be able to share some of the detailed reports on this past year’s student testing. Mrs. Sisson introduced Maureen Ryff who has been working with the District Administration and Staff on the Strategic Plan. One of the things that Maureen has been working on with the staff is “Project CRISS” – Creating Independent Student Owned Strategies. Ms. Ryff will work with the staff again this coming school year. Mrs. Sisson also informed the trustees that Rachel’s Challenge will be back in the building on September 13 from 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM and will be working with students 9th -12th grades.
3. **Dennis Flaherty – Maintenance/Transportation Report**
 - ❖ Mr. Flaherty thanked his crew for a great job this summer in getting the building ready for school to begin. He also thanked Joe Brown for his hard work and dedication to the district.
 - ❖ Mr. Flaherty just completed 3 days at an asbestos training and is up to date on his certification. He also noted that the district’s asbestos inspection is due in the near future.
 - ❖ The new playground equipment installation is at 75%. Mr. Flaherty thanked Mr. Suppes with his connection to the Youth Challenge staff and students and thanked them for their help getting the playground student ready.
 - ❖ The gym floors have been refinished and are ready for school to begin.
 - ❖ The District’s courtyard will be getting a new look in the near future.
 - ❖ The girls’ locker room lockers should arrive mid-September and will be installed when they arrive.
4. **Mr. Suppes – K-12 Principal**
 - ❖ Mr. Suppes gave the board the schedule for this coming week. August 16 & 17 will be new teacher training. August 18th all staff will in the building starting with a light breakfast, a quick meeting with an insurance agent and then they will work in their classrooms. There will be no school on August 21 due to the Eclipse. He informed the board that the camping reservations are still coming in and plans for a very busy weekend/day. August 22 will begin with a breakfast beginning at 7:30 and then a welcome back and staff orientation at 8:00 AM. A staff in-service with Maureen Ryff will then take place looking at student data. Also that evening the GSEA will be hosting the Staff Welcome Back Picnic beginning at 6:00 PM

in the Multi-Purpose room. August 24 staff will be at the Guard camp taking part in an evacuation training. All school DK-12 Grade Student and Parent Orientation will take place that evening beginning with a free hot dog feed at 4:30 PM. Also on that evening Sarah James and her daughters will be giving out free backpacks to students and serving lemonade. August 25th is the students' first day back beginning with a pep assembly at 8:00 AM.

5. **Mr. Beard – District**

- ❖ Mr. Beard informed the trustees that the crow's nest will be re-painted by end of September.
- ❖ Mr. Beard also thanked the custodial staff for their hard work and dedication this summer in getting the building ready for the start up of school. And he thanked Joe Brown for his time and wished him well.
- ❖ Mr. Beard reminded the trustees of the upcoming Regional WSBA meeting in September and the annual conference in November and asked for them to let Mrs. Martin know if they plan to attend either or both events.
- ❖ The trustees were given a report from Mrs. Daly regarding the lunch program for this past year and what she expects to happen this coming year. A more expanded menu will be available with more homemade meals for the students.

The Board of Trustees took the following actions at their meeting; approved Minutes of the July 19, 2017 Board Meeting; approved the financial statements and the payment of the bills; revisited the approval of handbooks that took place in July with possible amendments. GSEA representative Karen Wambach was in attendance and had several questions or concerns regarding several of the handbooks. One of the main concerns was the addition in the certified handbooks regarding the addition of 15 minutes to the teachers' day. Discussion was held and a vote was taken whether to keep the additional 15 minutes or to not. During the voting process, 3 board members voted to keep the additional 15 minutes and one voted not to. Motion failed; approved the milk bid from Gene Davis Dist for the 2017-2018 school year 1% white - \$.20 (1/2 pint); fat-free chocolate - \$.24; fat-free white - \$.20; and 5 lb. cottage cheese - \$8.25; no gas/fuel bids were received by acceptance date. The district will use whichever fuel station that has the lowest price after discounts that fits the district's needs; reviewed home school applications from the Watson and the Mueller families who will be homeschooling their children for the 2017-2018 school year; administration shared who the Para-Educators would be for the 2017-2018 school year: Stephan Sturdivant, Tammy Albrecht and Tara Forsyth. They were also informed that Sarah VanNatter would be moved from the At-Risk Coordinator to the Math opening; Jennnifer Brunz was hired as the new At-Risk Coordinator and Tesha Frederick was hired for a Title 1 Math position. The Board approved on 1st reading Board Policy JECE Students Withdrawal From School and JECE-R- Students Withdrawing From School; Parental/Guardian Consent To Withdraw, JEDA – Truancy and JEDB-Student Dismissal Precautions. The Board approved on 2nd and final reading Board Policy GCN-Professional Staff/Teacher Appraisal Performance Evaluation Handbook and GCN-E. Superintendent Beard shared the Recalibration Letter from WSBA.

UPCOMING TOPICS – September 11, 2017

Board Policy Review will take place at 6:00 PM. 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:

1. Staff Awards – Presentation Date

2. Board Policy
3. Safety Inspection/Asbestos Report