

July 18, 2019

On July 17, 2019, the Board of Trustees of Platte County School District #2 opened their Budget Hearing at 6:00 PM and 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. **Student Presentation**

Some of the students and sponsors that attended FCCLA Nationals in Anaheim, California and Skills USA Nationals in Louisville, Kentucky were present and gave the trustees a report on their experiences. The FCCLA students present were Trinity Ayers, Victoria Sierra and Sponsors/Chaperones Val Mills, Greta Ayers, Kathy Sierra. Skills USA student present was TyLinn Cooper and Sponsor Troy Reichert and Chaperone Luanna Whitebird. Mr. Reichert and Mrs. Ayers asked that when the board look at policy for extra curriculums and competing at the national level that more funding be considered.

2. **Mrs. Daly – Food Coordinator**

- ❖ Mrs. Daly gave a report on the Geodesic Dome Greenhouse that she secured with a \$2500 Grant in January 2019 from the Wyoming Specialty Crop Program through the Wyoming Department of Education. The grant paid for the majority of the cost to build the dome; one of just four in the state. The dome is set up behind the school and should be ready for use by the time schools starts in mid-August. Daly commented that she would like the geodome to be used more than just a greenhouse. She would like to see staff use this as a classroom where students can learn all about growing their own food.
- ❖ Mrs. Daly also informed the trustees that the Point of Sale (POS) went live and is on the district's website. She hopes to give a presentation during the Back To School Night August 15th.

3. **Dennis Flaherty – Maintenance**

- ❖ Mr. Flaherty was not present but provided a written report on his behalf. In his report he reported that classroom cleaning is a little ahead of schedule; gym floors have been refinished; new water heater for kitchen and elementary had been installed; high school 4" water valves have been replaced; fire hydrant on sticker field has been replaced; football field sprinkler project is about 90% done; the weight room equipment has arrived and being installed; new faucets in the two science labs have been installed; risers for the students have been installed in the vocal music room; office project remodel for the Vice-Principal and Principal is under way; an ad has been sent to the Casper Star Tribune for the district's upgrade on the current wired and wireless security infrastructure inside the district's building.

4. **Mr. Beard – District**

- ❖ Mr. Beard informed the board that the Back To School Night is set for August 15 beginning at 4:00 PM with a free hotdog feed. He encouraged the board members to attend and help.
- ❖ Superintendent Beard congratulated Mr. Troy Reichert on his \$1000.00 award from Harbor Freight. Mr. Reichert has been selected as a semi-finalist in the Harbor Freight Tools 2019 Prize for Teaching Excellence. Reichert joins 49 other skilled trade

teachers across the U.S. eligible for \$1 million in prize money. Winners will be announced Oct 24, 2019.

- ❖ Mr. Beard thanked Mr. Flaherty and his staff for their long hours to ensure the buildings and grounds are prepared for the beginning to the school year.
- ❖ Thanked Kim Schrader, Business Manager, for her time and hard work on the 2019-2020 Budget.
- ❖ Mr. Beard informed the board that school safety and concern is being address for this upcoming year and several people will be involved in this process.

5. The Board of Trustees took the following actions at their meeting; approved Minutes of the June 10, 2019 Regular Meeting and Special Meeting June 27, 2019 with noted corrections; approved not raising the meal prices for the 2019-2020 school year upon Mrs. Daly's recommendation; approved the Superintendent to sign Related Services contracts for Special Education; adopted the 2019-2020 School Budget through resolution and all needed levies to fund said budget with noted corrections; approved the financial statements and the payment of the bills; approved the Extra Curricular Sponsors and Coaches per list provided with board member Reichert abstaining from the vote; approved the hiring of Stephanie Smith, Kindergarten, Dana Gale, 4th Grade, and Kim Schiele, Kitchen. The Board of Trustees and Superintendent Beard held their Board/Superintendent Evaluations with no board action required.

6. Board Comments – None

UPCOMING TOPICS - August 12, 2019

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. Milk Bid Award
2. Gas/Diesel Bid Award
3. Staff Awards – Presentation Date