MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SD #4

The trustees met in regular session, February 19, 2018 at 6:35 p.m. in the library. Those present throughout the meeting were Chairman Rhonda Hogstad, Brent Lipp, Superintendent, Jeanne Carroll, Business Manager, Mark Berg, Trustee, and Joel Junso, Trustee.

The chairman called the meeting to order and led the group in the pledge of allegiance. Joel moved to accept the Consent Agenda. Mark seconded. All in favor.

CONSENT AGENDA

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Brent talked about
*Maintenance: Brent said he is supposed to meet with state boiler inspector on the 27th and he will talk about options for us, Jeanne, Earl and Brent will meet with him.
The John Deere tractor just had a fuel pump put on the tractor for $1000. This is what Earl uses to plow snow. The intercom system quit last week. We are looking at some bids right now as it’s cheaper to replace it rather than fix it.
*Big Thank you to volunteers: He wants to thank everyone that is currently in the room for helping with the tournaments for the 8th grade trip as well as any other volunteers that helped out. All the teachers that helped, thank you. Participants were really pleased with the tournaments. There’s been a lot of community help with dental and vision screenings and the like and we couldn’t do it without you.
*New Student/Enrollment: Count day was Monday, and on Tuesday, we had 7 new students show up.
*Mathcounts: Competed in MathCounts Friday night with a really young team. We didn’t place this year, but it has been a very successful year for them. There’s a math competition this weekend that’s voluntary as well.
*Sports: He’s on his 4th or 5th schedule with Volleyball this year. There have been 32 games rearranged, because other schools have changed. He purchased new balls and carts for volleyball this year. Sports are going really well.
*8th Grade Trip: Kids will be coming to you next month with their itinerary. He thinks the kids have really gotten a lot out of it. Planning it has been an experience for them.
*Safe Schools: We had a consultation with the Department of Labor, and because of that, through safe schools, which is online training that staff can take with Brent’s direction, we will be able to meet those requirements. It has a database that records training taken and is electronically signed by staff, that he can just hand Department of Labor when they come to inspect. There are some great paraprofessional trainings.

NEW BUSINESS

Katie Allen, PE Presentation
Brent introduced Katie as our new PE and Health teacher. She’s had a huge learning curve on PE and so she is going to present to the board on what PE should look like. Katie said she has a lot of physical fitness in her classes. Traditionally, PE has been sports and that is not really what PE is about. Forty-three million children world-wide under 5 years old are overweight or obese. At 26 years old, only 5% are still doing sports activities. There are lots of different styles of teaching. The place for sports is decreasing the level of competition and more towards physical literacy. The other kids that don’t play sports, need to learn physical literacy. It keeps going and gets more in-depth as the years go on. It should be engaging, individually focused and high participation levels. Her goal is to act with integrity and influence lifetime movers. Also it is to accept personal responsibility, work cooperatively with others, etc. Brain activity is much higher after PE activities.

The board thanked Katie for coming and presenting PE from a learning standpoint. Brent said he is excited to see where she is taking it and following the standards.

Board Memo to Trustee

Rhonda read the reprimand to Billie Bergstrom from the board aloud.

TRUSTEE REPRIMAND FROM BOARD

Board Minutes February 19, 2018
Ratify Master Agreement for 2018-21

Mark made a motion to ratify the teachers Master Agreement for 2018-21. Joel seconded All in favor. Rhonda said she and Billie and Brent and Jeanne have been in on these meetings. It is a four year agreement which is very nice. A little bit of language has been changed, but nothing that really stands out. Teachers will get a 2% increase on the base every year, stipends stay with what was originally proposed by the board, with the health insurance also. Brent said disciplinary actions was cleaned up where due process is followed as per state law, without all the steps being listed out. The other thing is that there is a cap included for general fund and health Insurance. Salary only is retroactive for this year. Health insurance takes effect March 20th. Brent said Billie and Rhonda did a great job on this. Mark and Joel thanked Rhonda.

Enrollment Report

Mark moved to approve the enrollment report as presented by the business manager. Joel seconded. All in favor.

Trustee Resolution Requesting County to Conduct Elections:

Joel moved to request Yellowstone County to conduct Canyon Creek’s elections in May, 2018. Mark seconded. All in favor

Trustee Resolution Calling for Election:

Mark moved to call for elections to be held on May 1st. Joel seconded. Jeanne said she should have preliminary budget numbers from OPI the first week of March. The trustees will need to have dollar amounts if they choose to run a levy. All in favor. Brent said he’s been thinking about the fact that district #2 will not be running an election.

There being no further business, Mark moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m. All in favor.

The next meeting will be March 19th, 2018.

Jeanne Carroll, Business Manager/Clerk Rhonda Hogstad, Chairman