PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL District 27

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School Board Business Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 9, 2024

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 5:46 p.m. by Board Chair Ryan Wade.

ATTENDANCE:

Ryan Wade, Board Chair; Ray Anderson, Vice Chair; Richelle Sheets, Lead Teacher; and Lori Sheets, District Clerk/Business Manager attended in person. Trustee Max Edington attended remotely via Google Meet.

AGENDA:

Ryan Wade moved to approve the agenda and Ray seconded the motion. The Board voted all in favor.

MINUTES:

Ryan moved to approve the minutes from the September Regular Meeting. Ray seconded and the Board voted all in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public in attendance.

CLERK'S REPORT/WARRANT APPROVAL:

Lori gave an overview of the warrants for October and gave copies of the October Budget vs Actual report. Ryan moved to approve the warrant report and Ray seconded. The Board voted all in favor.

TEACHER'S REPORT:

MAST update: With testing throughout the year, Richelle plans to give monthly updates for MAST. The first testing window opens on the 14th. Our first testlets are scheduled for the end of the month for the 4th and 7th grade. 3rd grade will not start testing until the beginning of November.

Fall Festival is scheduled for October 12th from Noon to 3 pm. Games for the community and BBQ lunch.

Field Trips: October 17th Pumpkin Patch and Hockaday Art Museum.

OLD BUSINESS:

MTSBA School Policy Manual Update: Trustees considered updating the policies on Non-Resident attendance. Policies 3141, 3100, 3101, 3102 were reviewed. Ryan moved to adopt the policies with the changes discussed. Ray seconded and the Board voted all in favor. Lori will inform MTSBA Policy to make update to our manual.

MTSBA School Policy Manual: Trustees reviewed 8000 Series Noninstructional Operations. Policies were reviewed from 8132 through 8310. Lori made notes of which policies to remove and any wording changes.

2024-25 Student Handbook: 1st read of proposed updates due to policy manual changes. Lori reported that she compared the current MTSBA Model Student Handbook to our current Handbook. The proposed handbook shows sections that have updated wording from MTSBA. The Board will read through the updates on their own prior to the November meeting. At the November meeting, the Board will consider adopting the updates.

MSIA Survey Request: The Board delegated the completion of the survey to the Business Manager at the September meeting. Lori explained that she began the survey and realized that it was not based in the reality of our school. It was designed for large schools who offer full coverage medical insurance and did not apply to our school with one teacher receiving a stipend for health insurance. She chose to not complete the survey. Ryan responded that he felt that was a reasonable decision.

NEW BUSINESS:

OPI Testing Plans: Richelle reviewed the changes/updates to the test plans. Ryan moved to approve the test plans as discussed. Ray seconded and the Board voted all in favor.

Emergency Operations Plan Annual Review: The Board conducted the annual review of the Emergency Operations Plan. Richelle explained that there were only two updates needed. The contact list and the student rooster were updated. Ryan moved to approve the 2 changes with Ray giving the second. The Board voted all in favor.

Substitute List: The Board reviewed approved sub list from last school year. Updates were made to remove those who were no longer available. Sharon Wilson was added to the list for the 2024-25 school year. Ryan moved to approve the 2024-25 sub list. Ray seconded with the Board voting all in favor. Richelle will contact Sharon to schedule her training.

OPI Accreditation: The Board reviewed the results of 2023-2024 School Year Accreditation. Richelle and Lori explained details of the results. The district scored a 34 which is in the "Regular" status section. OPI informed Richelle that we are able to resubmit areas that we scored low on. The timeline for 2024-25 Year 2 Accreditation Process was briefly discussed.

Montana Cares App: Trustees received flyers about the app for consideration of using the app. Trustees will review details and decide at the next meeting if the school should offer the program.

MAINTENANCE & SAFETY:

Tasks to complete: Concrete pad repair. Still waiting for someone to look at the pad.

INFORMATION & CORRESPONDENCE:

School Safety Compliance Newsletter, October 2024, emailed to trustees.

Next Meeting Date: The November Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 5:45 pm at Pleasant Valley School.

ADJOURNMENT:

Ryan adjourned the meeting at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully,

Lori Sheets, District Clerk Ryan Wade, Board Chair:_____

Approved as submitted: 11/13/2024 Approved as corrected: