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BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

FEBRUARY 21, 2017
6:00 P.M.
DISTRICT CONFERENCE ROOM

MINUTES

I. PRELIMINARY SECTION

ITEMS 1-2

The meeting of the Beardsley School District Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board President, Teri Andersen.

Members Present

Teri Andersen, President
Charlene Battles, Clerk
Ken Berckes, Member
Monte Gardner, Member
Gina Rasmussen, Member

Staff Present

Paul Miller, Superintendent
Kevin Williams, Assistant Superintendent
Pam Olson, Administrative Assistant

Members Absent

Visitors Present

Refer to sign-in sheet

ITEM 3

Flag Salute

Joshua Rasmussen led the flag salute.

ITEM 4

Questions and/or Statements from the Community.

Joshua Rasmussen spoke to the board about his Eagle Scout Service Project Proposal: The Pati Jones Memorial Benches and Bookshelves. Joshua expects to begin fundraising in February and start working on the project in July 2017.

ITEM 5

Approval of the Minutes from the Regular Board meeting held January 17, 2017.

Motion: Monte Gardner
Second: Ken Berckes
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Gina Rasmussen
Nays: None
Abstain: None
The motion carried.

ITEM 6

Approval of the Agenda.

Motion: Ken Berckes
Second: Charlene Battles
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Charlene Battles
Nays: None
Abstain: None
The motion carried.

ITEM 7

Welcome

Teri Andersen welcomed everyone to the meeting.

II. CONSENT SECTION

ITEM 8

Ratification of Warrants

ITEM 9

Consideration to approve recommendations for Certificated and Classified Employment: Change in Assignment, Resignations, Retirements, Leaves, and New Positions.

Correction: Jocelyn Hively resigned 02/24/2017

ITEM 10

Consideration to approve an Agreement for Services with Nick Jordan to provide services for Technology Help from January 1, 2017 to June 30, 2017.

Motion: Charlene Battles
Second: Monte Gardner
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Gina Rasmussen
Nays: None
Abstain: None
The motion carried.

III. ACTION SECTION

ITEM 11

Consideration to approve the vote for California School Boards Association State Delegate Assembly Member(s) representing Kern County.

After discussion, the board agreed to vote for four candidates; Pam Baugher (Bakersfield City SD), Pamela J. Jacobsen (Standard SD), Tim Johnson (Sierra Sands USD), and Keith C. Wolaridge (Panama-Buena Vista USD).

Motion: Ken Berckes
Second: Charlene Battles
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Gina Rasmussen
Nays: None
Abstain: None
The motion carried.

ITEM 12

Consideration to approve the Williams Settlement 2016-2017 2nd Quarterly Reports.

Paul Miller explained that this report is a follow up to the visit at the beginning of the school year and there were no findings or deficiencies.

Motion: Ken Berckes
Second: Monte Gardner
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Gina Rasmussen
Nays: None
Abstain: None
The motion carried.

ITEM 13

Consideration to approve an Independent Contractor Agreement Between Beardsley School District and Kallie Beckwith, BCBA.

Paul Miller stated that Kallie Beckwith worked with the district last year and will conduct assessments for special education students as the district searches for a new Director of Special Education/School Psychologist.

Motion: Charlene Battles
Second: Ken Berckes
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Gina Rasmussen
Nays: None
Abstain: None
The motion carried.

ITEM 14

Consideration to approve a Master Service Agreement with Work Force Staffing.

Paul Miller said that this was for custodial services to substitute for absent employees.

Motion: Ken Berckes
Second: Monte Gardner
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Gina Rasmussen
Nays: None
Abstain: None

The motion carried.

ITEM 15

Consideration to approve the 2016-17 Master Plan for English Learners.

Kevin Williams said there has not been many changes from last year, but that due to funding changes with the LCAP, the way students are reclassified is being watched by the CDE.

Motion: Charlene Battles
Second: Monte Gardner
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Gina Rasmussen
Nays: None
Abstain: None

The motion was carried.

ITEM 16

Consideration to approve the 2017-2018 Student Attendance Calendar.

Gina Rasmussen stated her concerns about the Early Out Days and the minimum day for Staff Appreciation.

Motion: Monte Gardner
Second: Ken Berckes
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner
Nays: Gina Rasmussen
Abstain: None

The motion carried.

ITEM 17

Consideration to approve the Consolidated Application Reporting System (CARS) Report.

Olivia Esquivel, Chief Business Official, said that this report is required because the district receives federal funds and that the report shows funding and expenditures. Ms. Esquivel said that there are requirements on how the funds can be spent, such as Parent Involvement and Staff Development.

Motion: Monte Gardner
Second: Charlene Battles
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Gina Rasmussen
Nays: None
Abstain: None

The motion carried.

ITEM 18

Consideration to approve an Independent Contractor Agreement with Psych Share, LLC.

Paul Miller said that Psych Share will help cover the special education needs while the district looks for a new Director of Special Education/School Psychologist.

Motion: Monte Gardner
Second: Ken Berckes
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Gina Rasmussen
Nays: None
Abstain: None

The motion carried.

ITEM 19

Consideration to approve the October 2016 Board Policy Updates.

Paul Miller said that he is almost caught up with the board updates.

Motion: Ken Berckes
Second: Monte Gardner
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Gina Rasmussen
Nays: None
Abstain: None

The motion carried.

ITEM 20

Consideration to approve a Scope of Work for Government Financial Strategies to provide advisory services regarding the issuance of 2017 Refunding General Obligation Bonds.

Paul Miller stated that Government Financial Strategies represented the district for the bond refinancing. The scope of work outlines their services with respect to the refinance.

Motion: Ken Berckes
Second: Monte Gardner
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Gina Rasmussen
Nays: None
Abstain: None
The motion carried.

ITEM 21

Consideration to approve an Agreement with Kern Health Systems to provide Healthy Eating & Active Lifestyle Workshops.

Kevin Williams said that the district can use Kern Health Systems to provide parent education which is an LCAP requirement.

Motion: Ken Berckes
Second: Charlene Battles
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Gina Rasmussen
Nays: None
Abstain: None
The motion carried.

ITEM 22

Consideration to approve an Agreement for Architectural Services with Leach and Leach, Architects, to redesign/modernize the trash dumpster area at Beardsley Junior High.

Paul Miller said that this is a small but important project that will help improve the function and appearance of the school. A cinder block wall will be constructed to enclose the trash dumpster area.

Motion: Charlene Battles
Second: Ken Berckes
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Gina Rasmussen
Nays: None
Abstain: None
The motion carried.

ITEM 23

Consideration to approve an Agreement for Architectural Services with Leach and Leach Architects, to design a concrete cinder block security fence on the southern border of North Beardsley School.

Paul Miller stated that this wall would separate the school from the condominiums and would be constructed from cinder block.

Motion: Charlene Battles
Second: Ken Berckes
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Gina Rasmussen
Nays: None
Abstain: None
The motion carried.

ITEM 24

Consideration to approve an Agreement with Swanson Engineering, Inc. to provide Topographical Surveying Services for the site of the New Physical Education Field House and Track at Beardsley Junior High.

Paul Miller explained that a topographical survey must be done before the architects can begin designing the P.E. Fieldhouse and track. Mr. Miller said that Swanson was the lower of the two proposals received and is a well-respected firm. The district put out Requests for Qualifications (RFQ) and two firms responded. Swanson was the lowest price submittal.

Motion: Ken Berckes
Second: Monte Gardner
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Gina Rasmussen
Nays: None
Abstain: None
The motion carried.

ITEM 25

Consideration to approve an agreement with Ordiz-Melby, Architects, for architectural drawings to convert the junior high band room to the junior high office.

Paul Miller said that the conversion of the band room to the school office is a large project and some preliminary drawings have been completed.

Motion: Ken Berckes

Second: Monte Gardner

Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Gina Rasmussen

Nays: None

Abstain: None

The motion carried.

ITEM 26

Consideration to approve an agreement with Ordiz-Melby, Architects, for architectural drawings to convert the current junior high P.E. rooms to the junior high band and chorus rooms.

Paul Miller explained that the two large P.E. classrooms and small P.E. office will be converted to band and choir rooms. Mr. Miller said that he and Jim Young, band and choir teacher, have looked at other schools' band rooms for ideas. The start time on the construction will depend on a number of factors.

Motion: Charlene Battles

Second: Monte Gardner

Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Gina Rasmussen

Nays: None

Abstain: None

The motion carried.

ITEM 27

Consideration to approve an agreement with Klassen Corp, Architects, for architectural drawings for the junior high P.E. Field House and junior high track project.

Paul Miller said that Klassen Corporation has a lot of modular experience and are working on preliminary drawings for the track and PE Field House. Mr. Miller also said that having a track that the band can use for morning practice will be an added benefit..

Motion: Ken Berckes

Second: Monte Gardner

Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner, Gina Rasmussen

Nays: None

Abstain: None

The motion carried.

IV. INFORMATION SECTION

ITEM 28

Dashboard Presentation: Kevin Williams

The California Dashboard deals with the new accountability guidelines for schools in California. The state is looking at multiple measure instead of just one score and supports local decision making. This year the state will be looking at academic standards for English Language Arts and Math, as well as English Learners' CELDT scores and the number of suspensions.

ITEM 29

Eagle Scout Service Project Proposal: Joshua Rasmussen

See Questions and/or Statements from the Community.

ITEM 30

Bond Refinance Presentation: Rich Malone, Government Financial Strategies, Inc.

Rich Malone spoke about the refinancing of the 2007 Bonds. Mr. Malone said that seven banks responded to the request for bids and after consideration, Opus Bank was selected.

ITEM 31

Enrollment

Paul Miller said that enrollment and ADA continue to be up and that a fifth grade and a special education teacher were hired mid-year.

ITEM 32

Certificated/Classified Personnel Comments.

Karen Fiedler invited everyone to the Read Across America events at the elementary campuses.

Lisa Auger and Tammy Barrera spoke about the Inclusion Team planning day. Ms. Auger said that the inclusion of special education students into the regular education classes is state mandated. Some teachers had attended a conference to learn more about inclusion and would like to present information to the board at the April meeting. Tammy Barrera said the plan is to make changes gradually.

Terri Chamberlin talked about the week of events for Read Across America.

Kevin Williams said that letters went home to parents about the survey on the district website. Mr. Williams also spoke about Principal Partner Day being a success and the Clay Shoot to be held on March 18.

ITEM 33

Board Comments/Informal Discussion

Gina Rasmussen reminded everyone about the baked potato dinner and music night fundraiser for the band. Ms.

Rasmussen also spoke about promoting the junior high to let parents know what good programs are available at the junior high and that she believes adding an art teacher is important. She also had questions about the agreement with NOR regarding the gym.

Terri Chamberlin said that the robotic students at Principal Partner day were impressive.

Teri Andersen mentioned how we can take reading for granted and feels teachers are unsung heroes.

ITEM 34

Next Regular Board Meeting: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

ITEM 35

Adjournment of Open Session

Teri Andersen adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Board Clerk

Board Member

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