

Minutes of the Banner County School District Board of Education Meeting Monday, April 8, 2019

Notice of the Monday, April 8, 2019, Board of Education Regular Meeting was posted at Harrisburg U.S. Post Office, Banner Capital Bank, Banner County Courthouse, and Banner County School.

Present: Wittni Boettcher, Barbara Cross, Ronald Johnson, Grant Lerwick, Larry Pahl. Board Secretary and Superintendent Browne and Principal Jones were also present.

Call to Order

President Ron Johnson called the regular April meeting of the Banner County School District Board of Education to order at 7 PM in the School Cafeteria, 200 School Street, Harrisburg, Nebraska. Johnson stated that the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall and notice of the meeting was published at the entrance to the school, the Banner County Court House, the Harrisburg Post Office, and Banner Capital Bank.

Roll Call/Welcome

Motion to excuse BOE member Douglas Olsen from the April 8, 2019, regular meeting of the Banner County BOE Passed with a motion by Wittni Boettcher and a second by Larry Pahl.

Wittni Boettcher: Yea, Barbara Cross: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Larry Pahl: Yea

Pledge of Allegiance

President Johnson invited members and guests to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Approve agenda for the April 8th, 2019 Banner County Regular Board of Education meeting. Passed with a motion by Wittni Boettcher and a second by Grant Lerwick.

Wittni Boettcher: Yea, Barbara Cross: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Larry Pahl: Yea

Awards and Recognition

President Johnson commended the following students and staff:

-Many thanks to our maintenance crew for digging us out after the blizzard: Tod Wenger and Mike Johnson, with some help from Rick Caudillo and Greg Reininger. Special thanks to our Banner County Roads Department under the leadership of Highway Supt. Tom Neal for rescuing Bus #7 from the mud and helping to dig out both the school grounds and buried buses.

-Thanks to everyone who helped organize and carry out the Carnival. Special thanks to Wittni Boettcher for leading the planning and organization.

-Congratulations to Kathryn Blankenship, who qualified for NSAA Academic All-State Speech - MAC Music Contest Results: Excellent ratings (II) received by Band, Choir, Show Choir, and Soloists Haddie Grubbs and Mycala Jones. Our HS Band was 4th out of 8 bands.

Superior ratings (I on a V-level scale) received by soloists Kathryn Blankenship and Josie Whelchel 1st place all conference soprano soloist--Josie Whelchel

-Junior High students who tied for 3rd place at the MAC Quiz Bowl at Leyton: Riley Jones, Isaac Olsen, Adam Knaub, Jacob Parsons, Andie West, and Kelton Conn.

-Junior High students who competed at the Banner County Junior High Quiz Bowl: Riley Jones, Andie West, Marie Hein, Adam Knaub, Jacob Parson, and Kelton Conn, placing 5th out of 9 schools.

-Ms. Bohac thanks all of the teachers and staff who helped with the Banner County Quiz Bowl tournament on March 29th.

-FFA Week results: Kathryn Blankenship earned a Silver Medal in Speech; our Meats Judging Team earned Red with Deven Sullivan earning a Blue and Ayden Cross earning a White. Kathryn Blankenship and Chase Riedel earned White in Agronomy.

-Congratulations to February Students of the Month: Lydia Grant, Jerardo Castillo, Jadyn Cross

Presentations

Jadyn Cross and Jerardo Castillo presented information and agenda on the senior trip to Rapid City, SD

Dr. Browne presented certificates to Students of the Month for February 2019: Lydia Grant, Jadyn Cross, and

Jerardo Castillo.

There were no comments from the public.

Reports

Superintendent

Community

-Condolences card sent to Tina Staman (via Gering Memorial Chapel) for Kaleb Matthew Staman on behalf of Banner County Board and staff.

-The first Strategic Planning meeting took place on March 23rd. The details of each session will be posted on the school web-site. Inaugural discussion focused on our district's values, past successes, and future aspirations. Key words from an activity completed with teachers on our Vision and Mission was shared with participants. Next meeting May 4th at 9:00am.

-Dinner & A Show featuring Ocean of Grass, a documentary on a ranching family in the Sandhills will take place on April 26th, proceeds will support the Close Up Washington DC trip.

Facilities

-Once new Classified schedules are approved, we will take applications for one summer student worker and 10-15 hours per week additional building cleaning. We would like to train someone already on staff to use the floor cleaner.

-Tod Wenger completed his Aerial and Scissor Lift Safety course.

-Septic and plumbing issues at the superintendent's house have been addressed.

Business and Budget

-Sonja Lind and Dr. Browne will attend the NASBO State Convention in Lincoln.

-School Nutrition Program on-site review was completed on April 3rd. Many complimentary observations on our breakfast and lunch program, kitchen staff, and students. Two findings on the F/R paperwork required corrective action and have been addressed.

Principal

-Principal Jones attended the NRCSA Conference in Kearney March 21-22.

-Barb Cooper and Principal Jones attended the ESU 13 Reading Legislation Workshop on March 25th.

-MAC Music was on March 26th at Creek Valley.

-Three students participated in the Chadron Music Day on March 27th, the students attended classes to experience being a music major for the day.

-March 29th was our JH Quiz Bowl that went well, thanks to all the staff who worked in the rooms and Ms. Bohac for organizing the event.

-The Carnival was on March 29th and was well attended. Principal Jones thanked all who were involved for a great night.

-High School track has begun with 7 participants.

-JH track's first meet was cancelled for Wednesday April 10th. State FFA was April 3-5 with 12 students attending.

-Juniors will take the ACT for the state assessment on Tuesday, April 9th.

-Scheduling for next year will begin this week with Mr. Chris Cooper and Principal Jones meeting with individual classes.

Board of Education

President Johnson confirmed that all board members were receiving the NASB updates.

Committee Reports

Transportation and Grounds

Discussed approval of summer flooring on agenda and set committee meeting to create vehicle replacement plan and consider parking lot grading to be completed over the summer for May 13th at 5:30pm.

Americanism, Curriculum, and Technology

Members discussed the requirements of LB399, which recently passed in the legislature.

Policy Review

Discussion on two new policies on the agenda for 1st reading, These policies are required for districts receiving Title I funding. 716.00 is just a summary of the non-regulatory business requirements under ESSA to which schools must agree. 717.00 discusses acceptable procedures for disposing of items acquired through government grants and also the guidelines for an inventory of those assets.

Personnel and Negotiations

Committee met on April 8th to discuss Classified Salary Schedules for 2019-2020

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the consent agenda. Passed with a motion by Grant Lerwick and a second by Barbara Cross.

Wittni Boettcher: Yea, Barbara Cross: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Larry Pahl: Yea

-Approved the Minutes of the March 11th, 2019 regular meeting.

-Approved the payment of bills and salaries totaling \$310,524.89 for the April 8th, 2019, regular meeting.

-Approved \$20,000 transfer from the General Fund to the School Nutrition Fund

-Approved Special Education Agreement with ESU 13 for \$76,714.

-Approved Site License for JMC Student Information System at \$5,270

Accept Certified Staff Resignation

Motion to accept resignation of Grace Wyatt with regrets. Passed with a motion by Wittni Boettcher and a second by Grant Lerwick.

Wittni Boettcher: Yea, Barbara Cross: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Larry Pahl: Yea

Approve Certified Personnel Contracts

Approve a teaching contract for Kinsey Groves at BA Step 2. Passed with a motion by Grant Lerwick and a second by Barbara Cross.

Wittni Boettcher: Yea, Barbara Cross: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Larry Pahl: Yea

Approve a teaching contract for Katherine Stauffer at BA Step 1. Passed with a motion by Wittni Boettcher and a second by Barbara Cross.

Wittni Boettcher: Yea, Barbara Cross: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Larry Pahl: Yea

Approve a teaching contract for Kasandra Gomez at BA Step 1. Passed with a motion by Barbara Cross and a second by Larry Pahl.

Wittni Boettcher: Yea, Barbara Cross: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Larry Pahl: Yea

Approve a teaching contract for Brandon Avila at BA Step 1. Passed with a motion by Wittni Boettcher and a second by Grant Lerwick.

Wittni Boettcher: Yea, Barbara Cross: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Larry Pahl: Yea

Approve Classified Salary Schedules

Approve a 1 % increase in the base pay on classified employee salary schedules for Class A, B, C, & D as presented. Passed with a motion by Grant Lerwick and a second by Barbara Cross.

Wittni Boettcher: Abstain (With Conflict), Barbara Cross: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Larry Pahl: Yea

Appoint Foundation Board of Directors

Motion to reappoint Lacy Krakow, Barb Cross, and Tina McKeehan and to appoint new member Tiffany Jeffries to the Foundation Board of Directors. Passed with a motion by Wittni Boettcher and a second by Grant Lerwick.

Barbara Cross: Abstain (With Conflict), Wittni Boettcher: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Larry Pahl: Yea

Approve Installation of New Flooring

Approve the purchase and installation of flooring as presented from Don Schmidt Carpet, Inc. for a total of \$24,384.20. Passed with a motion by Grant Lerwick and a second by Wittni Boettcher.

Wittni Boettcher: Yea, Barbara Cross: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Larry Pahl: Yea

Approve Adoption of Policies, First Reading

Approve the adoption of the following policies on first reading: 716.00 ESSA Non-Regulatory Business Requirements 717.00 Disposal of Property Under Federal Grants. Passed with a motion by Larry Pahl

and a second by Wittni Boettcher.

Wittni Boettcher: Yea, Barbara Cross: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Larry Pahl: Yea

Next Meeting

Regular Meeting: May 13th, 2019, 7:00 PM

Meeting Adjourned

Adjourn the meeting at 8:21 PM. Passed with a motion by Grant Lerwick and a second by Barbara Cross.

Wittni Boettcher: Yea, Barbara Cross: Yea, Ronald Johnson: Yea, Grant Lerwick: Yea, Larry Pahl: Yea

Banner County School Schedule of Bills/Claims

AC Electric Motor Service, LLC Motor & Freight \$248.90; Action Communications, Inc Radio Installation \$232.58; AgEdNet.com Annual Subscription \$415.00; Brandon Avila Mileage Reimbursement \$28.42; School Nutrition Fund Transfer of Funds \$20,000.00; CDW Government, Inc. Equipment \$1,555.06; Christian Media Inc. Option Ads \$510.00; Connecting Point Copies \$429.36; Crossroads Music Repairs & Reeds \$289.45; D & H Electronic Supply, Inc Supplies \$253.72; DAS State Accounting Network Service Charges \$229.49; Educational Service Unit #13 Services \$12,988.20; Floyd's Bus #8 Repairs \$171.72; Frank Parts Supplies \$346.27; Frenchman Valley Coop Gasoline \$3,151.45; Fresh Foods Food Items \$75.06; Fritz's Septic Septic Service \$205.00; Banner County School Account Reimbursement \$2,920.04; Gering Courier Option Ads \$177.50; Kasandra Gomez Mileage Reimbursement \$30.16; GreatAmerica Leasing Corp Copier Leases \$265.00; Grey House Publishing Periodical Guide \$97.35; Harrisburg Water System Water Usage \$408.90; High West Energy Usage \$3,429.53; Holiday Inn Kearney Conference Lodging \$109.95; HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES Supplies & Furniture \$609.82; Jennie Hullinger Interpreting Services \$128.00; Independent Plumbing & Heating Inc Chiller Control Panel \$1,182.15; Carmen Jackman Supplies Reimbursement \$50.97; JMC, Inc Software & Maintenance \$5,270.00; Johnson Hardware Company Door Cores \$702.00; Karin Jones Reimbursement \$228.27; Jostens, Inc. Graduation Packages \$239.92; George Joutras Viewing Fees \$300.00; KNEB Option Ads \$1,013.76; Knowbuddy Library Books \$99.80; Sonja Lind Conference Meals \$46.00; MakeMusic Annual Subscription \$140.00; Mid-American Research Chemical Supplies \$1,255.82; MCI Long Distance Phone Service \$70.75; Midamerica Books Elementary Library Books \$341.10; Motor Fuels Division 1st Qtr of 2019 \$819.00; NASB School Law Workshop \$270.00; National Association of School Nurses Conference Registration \$410.00; NMC Exchange LLC Annual Machine Inspection \$258.50; OneBeatCPR Supplies \$238.00; Pack Rat Enterprises, Inc Trash Removal \$340.00; Peetz Farmers Coop Propane \$6,663.43; Quick Care Medical Services Bus Driver Physical \$125.00; Ramada Midtown Conference Center Conference Lodging \$179.90; Regional West Medical Center CPR Cards \$24.00; Rider Classroom Spanish LLC 4th Nine Weeks \$1,500.00; The Rock Pile Gravel Rock \$426.94; Snell Services, Inc Repairs & Service \$9,613.20; Southeastern Performance Apparel Choir Dresses \$875.84; Staples Advantage Supplies \$1,125.35; Staples Credit Plan Supplies \$131.98; Star-Herald Legal Notices & Ads \$1,209.79; Katie Stauffer Mileage Reimbursement \$29.00; Garrett Stricklin Mileage Reimbursement \$494.16; Walmart Supplies \$117.17; Tod Wenger Conference Meals \$24.00; Western Nebraska Observer Option Ads \$305.00; Wells Fargo Card Services Supplies, Travel, Training \$1,226.37; Wells Fargo Card Services Travel & Time Clock System \$314.12; Wells Fargo Card Services Travel Expenses \$114.35; 125 Clearing Account Payroll March 2019 \$1,300.01; AFLAC Payroll March 2019 \$573.14; Amer Fam Life Assurance Co Payroll March 2019 \$858.18; Banner County Bank Payroll March 2019 \$33,977.69; Banner Capital Bank Payroll March 2019 \$3,931.86; Banner County School Payroll March 2019 \$1,930.00; Blue Cross & Blue Shield Ne Payroll March 2019 \$37,391.50; Colonial Life Payroll March 2019 \$185.04; Banner County School Payroll March 2019 \$29,896.45; Horace Mann Insurance Company Payroll March 2019 \$398.35; LegalShield Payroll March 2019 \$323.90; MG Trust Company Payroll March 2019 \$2,620.00; State of Nebraska Payroll March 2019 \$5,081.98; Principal Life Insurance Company Payroll March 2019 \$651.95; US Department of Education Payroll March 2019 \$180.34; Vision Service Plan Payroll March 2019 \$351.57; Vision Service Plan Payroll March 2019 \$62.75; Payroll March 2019 \$103,728.61