

**Regular School Board Meeting**  
**I.S.D. 547, Parkers Prairie Public Schools**  
**Thursday, May 14, 2020, 7:00 p.m.**  
**High School Media Center**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District 547, Parkers Prairie Public Schools, was called to order by Chairman Lyle Oeltjenbruns at 7:00PM. Board members present: Christy Hart, Scott Wagner, Judy Moeller, Jeff Samuelson. Board members present via Zoom meeting: Glenn Cornish, Steve Inwards. Absent: None. Student Board members present: Hannah Samuelson, Macy Jakubiec. Administration present: Superintendent Dean Yocum and Secondary Principal Carey Johnson, Steve Radtke via Zoom meeting. Several members of the community and staff were present in person and via Zoom meeting.

Motion by Samuelson, seconded by Wagner and carried, to approve the amended agenda.

Superintendent Yocum provided information that was discussed on calls with MSBA, the Superintendents conference call and a call with the school attorney. The graduation plan that had been made is no longer acceptable. Graduates are not allowed out of their cars at the outdoor ceremony. Having each graduate walk across the stage is not recommended, due to legal liabilities. After much discussion, an alternate plan was established that will allow the graduates to walk across the stage in the High School, receive their diploma and parents can turn the tassel. This will be recorded and the video played at the graduation ceremony, with Karen Lee doing a short biography of each graduate. A jumbotron, stage and radio access have already been secured. Minnesota Department of Education has stated they will not withhold payments should a school district choose to have a live ceremony.

Motion by Moeller, seconded by Wagner and carried, to approve the minutes from the April regular board meeting.

Motion by Cornish, seconded by Hart and carried, to approve Hand Payable checks totaling \$9,465.76; Wire transfers totaling \$248,382.57; Board Payable I checks totaling \$118,005.75; and Board Payable II checks totaling \$8,925.50.

**Superintendent Report:**

- **Principal Reports:**
  - **Principal Radtke**
    - A virtual Pre-School graduation was held.
    - United Way received a large donation from an anonymous donor in the Battle Lake area that was directed to the Battle Lake, Henning and Parkers Prairie school districts.
    - May 22<sup>nd</sup> is the last day of formal instruction.
    - The Elementary Staff will be at the school for a “Reverse Parade” where families can drive by and the students can see and wave to their teachers.
  - **Principal Johnson**
    - More research is being done on broadband availability. Purchasing hot spots is an option.
    - A proposal to have Prom on May 30 was presented. Groups of eight and one chaperone would move between four stations at scheduled times. All attendees will be invited to watch Footloose on the jumbotron as the last activity.
    - May 22<sup>nd</sup> is the last day of new instruction. Credit completing will be the focus of the summer.

- Superintendent Yocum
  - The monthly RAED update was included in Board member packets.
  - Additional information on Covid-19 was provided.
  - Construction has begun at both schools.

**Unfinished Business:**

- None

**New Business:**

- A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT DONATIONS as listed below was introduced by member Samuelson, seconded by Wagner and passed unanimously. The complete resolution is on file with the District Office.

From	For	Amount
United Way (payable to Folden Lutheran Church)	Backpack Program	\$5,000
Glenn & Mary Cornish	School District	50 masks valued at \$500
Miltona Lions Club	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade South Dakota Field Trip	\$1,000

**Motion by Samuelson, seconded by Hart and carried, to complete a Quit Claim deed for the old schoolhouse property, to Marion Suchy.**

**Motion by Moeller, seconded by Samuelson and carried, to accept the retirement of Bonnie Carlson effective May 29, 2020. The Board thanks Bonnie for her 26 years of service to the district.**

**Motion by Samuelson, seconded by Wagner and carried, to approve the 2020-21 school calendar with one change: School will be open on May 14, but closed on May 7, 2021.**

**Motion by Cornish, seconded by Moeller and carried, to approve the contract with Lakes Country Service Cooperative for a three year renewal of the Health & Safety contract at the following rates:**

**2020-21 - \$7,215**

**2021-22 - \$7,575**

**2022-23 - \$7,954**

**Motion by Moeller, seconded by Samuelson and carried, to accept the resignation of Peyton Mills effective May 29, 2020.**

**Motion by Samuelson, seconded by Wagner and carried, to hire Kyle Owings as a Secondary Social Studies teacher for the 2020-21 school year.**

**Motion by Hart, seconded by Moeller and carried to approve the Long Term Facilities Maintenance Summer projects as presented.**

**Motion by Samuelson, seconded by Hart and carried to approve the resignation of Mike Felt as an Assistant Football Coach.**

**Motion by Samuelson, seconded by Hart and carried, to adjourn at 9:10PM.**

**Judith A. Moeller, Clerk** \_\_\_\_\_

**Tammy Larson, Recorder** \_\_\_\_\_