

Regular School Board Meeting
I.S.D. 547, Parkers Prairie Public Schools
Tuesday, November 9, 2021, 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 Vice Chairman Steve Inwards at 7:00PM. Board members present: Nancy Euteneuer, Christy Hart, Judy Moeller. Glenn Cornish arrived at 7:01PM. Absent: Lyle Oeltjenbruns, Scott Wagner. Student Board members present: Riley Kortenbusch, Jaycee Koep. Administration present: Superintendent Dean Yocum, Secondary Principal Carey Johnson and Elementary Principal Steve Radtke. Also present: Tamara Ellsworth, Jennifer Marquardt, Ben Harrington and Tammy Larson.

Motion by Euteneuer, seconded by Hart and carried, to approve the agenda.

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

Motion by Euteneuer, seconded by Hart and carried, to approve the minutes from the October Special board meeting.

Motion by Hart, seconded by Euteneuer and carried, to approve Hand Payable checks totaling \$19,785.60; Wire transfers totaling \$308,394.18; Board Payable I checks totaling \$109,925.57; and Board Payable II checks totaling \$70,959.05.

Luke Evenson with Eide Bailly presented a Draft of the Executive Summary for the 2020-2021 audit. The District received "clean" audit opinion. The District received an Unmodified Opinion for the Federal audit.

Superintendent Report:

Principal Reports:

Principal Radtke

- The Elementary had Fall parties on Friday, October 29th. The Panther Boosters hosted Trunk or Treat at the Elementary on October 31st. Thank you to Carrie Price for organizing the event.
- Staff Development was held on November 5th and centered on the Leader in Me program.
- Elementary conferences were November 9th and 11th.

Principal Johnson

- Provided an update on the Digital Equity Survey. 73.8% of families do not have fiber-optic connectivity in the home. MDE requests responses from 100% of the families. Families have been asked to respond to the survey, but many haven't.
- Conferences are being scheduled via JMC and are being held later this week.
- A revised policy on cell phones and electronic devices was presented. Input was received from High School staff, using information from www.edutopia.org and www.awayfortheday.org.

Motion by Cornish, seconded by Hart and carried, to approve the updated policy on cell phones/Smart watches/personal communication devices, effective Monday, November 29, 2021.

Superintendent Yocum

- Covid update
 - Case numbers in the buildings are very food. Local/state numbers are high.
 - A Federal mandate, requiring employers with over 100 employees require vaccination or testing and mask use, has been passed but is being challenged in several states. Employees have been notified of the mandate and that the District is monitoring it, and will be required to follow mandates.
 - The percentage of families qualifying for Free & Reduced Lunch are similar to previous years.

Unfinished Business:

- None

New Business:

A RESOLUTION CANVASSING RETURNS OF VOTES OF SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION was introduced by member Cornish, seconded by Hart and passed unanimously.

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 547, as follows:

- 1. It is hereby found, determined and declared that the special election of the voters of the district held on November 2, 2021, was in all respects duly and legally called and held.**
- 2. As specified in the following Abstract and Return of Votes Cast, votes received on the election of one School Board member to fill a vacancy (until January 2025) as follows: Dustin Schilling, 77 votes.**
- 3. Candidate Schilling, having received the highest number of votes, is elected to the remainder of a four year term (until January 2025) beginning the first Monday in January, 2022.**
- 4. The school district clerk is hereby authorized to certify the results of the election to the county auditor of each county in which the school district is located in whole or in part.**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF ELECTION AND DIRECTING SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK TO PERFORM OTHER ELECTION RELATED DUTIES was introduced by member Moeller, seconded by Euteneuer, and passed unanimously. The complete resolution is on file with the District Office.

Motion by Euteneuer, seconded by Moeller, and carried, to hire Steven Becker as a temporary daytime custodian.

Preliminary Seniority lists for Certified and Classified staff were presented.

Motion by Hart, seconded by Cornish and carried, to allow a transfer of \$32,858.00 from the General Fund to the Food Service fund, to eliminate any negative balance.

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING ANNUAL POLLING PLACE was introduced by member Moeller, seconded by Cornish and carried unanimously. The complete resolution is on file at the District Office.

A RESOLUTION FOR MULTIPLE PRECINCTS AND DESIGNATING HOURS DURING WHICH THE POLLING PLACES WILL REMAIN OPEN FOR VOTING FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTIONS NOT HELD ON THE DAY OF A STATEWIDE ELECTION was introduced by member Moeller, seconded by Cornish and carried unanimously. The complete resolution is on file at the District Office.

Motion by Euteneuer, seconded by Moeller and carried, to close the meeting at 8:51PM for Negotiations strategy.

Motion by Cornish, seconded by Euteneuer and carried, to reopen the meeting at 10:06PM.

Motion by Hart, seconded by Cornish and carried, to adjourn at 10:07 P.M.

Judith A. Moeller, Clerk _____

Tammy Larson, Recorder _____