

Conway School District No. 317
Board of Director's Meeting Minutes
September 19, 2016

Call to Order:

The Regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Conway School District was held on Monday, September 19, 2016 in the Digital Commons. Director Bell-Hinderstein called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm.

Attendance:

Board Members Present: Director Bell-Hinderstein, Director Melton, and Director Dalseg.

Staff Present: Liz Caldwell, Angela Pederson, Suzi Rivas, Deenie Berry, Kim Turner, Jason Rounds, Melissa Brown, and John Townsend.

Director Dalseg moved to excuse the absence of Director Sickelsteel. Director Melton seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Director Hinderstein moved to excuse the absence of Director Halliday. Director Dalseg seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Communications:

1. CEA/PSE Comments: John Townsend reported that teachers feel good w/ start of year.
2. PTA Comments: Demi Daman introduced PTA Board. Announced PTA fundraiser event and after school program plans.
3. Student/ Staff Comments: Kim Turner introduced ASB President Cameron Wolden, who presented ASB plans for the year.
4. Public Comments: None

Consent Agenda:

Director Melton moved and the motion was seconded by Director Dalseg to accept the minutes from the August 2016 Regular Board meeting. Motion passed.

Director Melton moved to approve the check vouchers 9714-9759 in the amount of \$ 307,836.51 with payroll taxes in the amount of \$ 61,434.74, for a total of \$ 369,271.25. Director Sickelsteel seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Administrative Reports:

Dr. Pearson Superintendent report:

Superintendent Pearson's presentation of the District Improvement Plan will be his 'report' this evening.

Deenie Berry's Principal report:

I'm writing this report in the middle of our first full week of school.

It has been a positive start to the school year. Students have been welcomed in to their classrooms and learning communities are developing well.

PBIS – (Positive Behavior Intervention Support) – Our PBIS team launched it's first "Walk a bout" teaching of expected behaviors for all students in common areas. We expect that we will all benefit from clear expectations. We also launched a new positive "Gottcha" slip so we can reinforce positive behavior throughout each day with new rewards that our kids are excited about. Monthly, at our grade band spirit assemblies, names will be drawn from our "Gotta" slip cans for rewards. ASB students will help teach about the monthly theme and the class with the most "spirit" in the way they dress will earn the "Bear" to keep for the month.

Classrooms – Our teachers are amazing and creative. I am seeing teachers take risks in their teaching to better engage students in their learning. This is messy work but I'm sure seeing happen and engaged students as I visit classrooms.

Observations/Evaluation/Goal Setting – Into next month, our teaching staff will be setting their professional goals for the year and working together to identify how they will measure their success. I am focusing on Math instruction with elementary as we pilot new materials and work towards increased personalization in learning opportunities.

Math Adoption Process – Teachers will be piloting a minimum of one unit in the two top materials identified by the Adoption Committee. We look forward to gathering teacher feedback and have an opportunity for parents to see materials as the process continues. I expect this year to be engaging and learning filled for all of us.

Respectfully Submitted,
Deenie Berry, Principal

Enrollment Report:

Student Count: 420 students

Financial Report:

Business Manager Liz Caldwell reported on this month's financial reports:

· Month end account balance amounts:

ASB: \$ 21,331.26
Capital Projects: \$ 375,090.43
Tech Levy: \$ 58,643.47
Debt Service: \$ 340,970.22
Transportation: \$ 70,201.98

· Month End General Fund Balance

Cash & Invest Warrants: \$ 955,519.47
Committed Cash: \$ 391,978.35
Contingency: \$ 100,000.00

Revenues: \$ 351,078.30
Expenditures: \$ 380,508.94

ASB Student Report:

Presenter: Cameron Wolden announced 2016-2017 ASB Officers and planned ASB events and fundraisers.

Presentation:

1. District Leadership Team Members, Kim Turner, Jason Rounds, and Melissa Brown, along with Superintendent Pearson, presented District Improvement Plan.
2. Melissa Brown presented 2016-2017 Highly Capable Program Plan.
Highly Capable Program Description, K-3rd Grades
Highly Capable Program Description, 4th-8th Grades
Highly Capable Program School Board Presentation

Action Agenda:

1. Director Melton made a motion and it was seconded by Director Dalseg to approve the Personnel Report. Motion passed.
2. Director Dalseg made a motion and it was seconded by Director Melton to approve Overdue CELP Tuition Forgiveness. Motion passed.
3. Director Dalseg made a motion and it was seconded by Director Melton to approve the Minimum Basic Education Hours Report. Motion passed.

Future Board Meetings:

1. Special Board Meeting, 6:00pm September 26th, 2016
2. Regular Board Meeting, 7:00pm October 17th, 2016

Board Comments:

Director Dalseg moved to excuse the presence of Director Halliday. Director Melton seconded the motion. Motion passed.

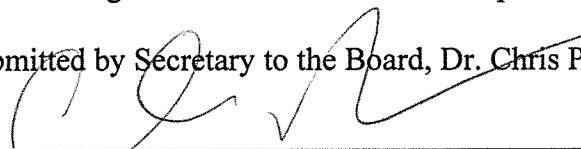
Executive Session:

No Executive Session was held.

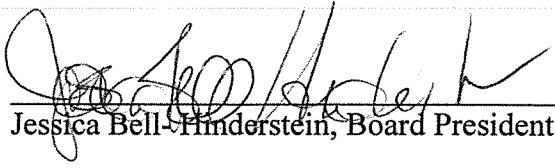
This meeting was adjourned at 8:04pm

This meeting has been recorded and the tape is available in the District Office.

Submitted by Secretary to the Board, Dr. Chris Pearson.



Dr. Chris Pearson, Superintendent



Jessica Bell-Hinderstein, Board President