

The Board of Trustees of Circle Elementary & High School District No. One, McCone County, met in regular session on May 13, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the high school cafeteria. Trustees present: Dusty White, Sara Moline, Tyrel Massar, Bryce Hove, Cary Phillips & Krista Beery. Also in attendance were Clerk Della Van Horn, Superintendent Jeanine Fillinger, Principal Cory Kniep, Amy McCloy, Roger Schara, Dwain Jensen, Alan Stempel, Colleen & Bryan Stormer.

Chairman White called the meeting to order with the pledge.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Moved by Massar, seconded by Hove to approve the minutes of the April 9 regular meeting and the special April 29, 2019 meetings as presented. Motion carried unanimously by the combined board.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Moline, seconded by Beery to approve the consent agenda of Elementary & HS May claims & Payroll, expenditure budget balance ending 5/7/19, Revenue report ending 3/31/19, and cash balances ending 3/31/19. Motion carried unanimously by the combined board.

CUSTODIAN REPORT

Dwain Jensen reported on the water damage at the shop in the bathroom. There was waterline damage and the sheetrock needs replaced. They will be spraying and weed eating soon. June 4th the custodians are going to training in Sidney on blood borne pathogens. It was decided to get quotes on getting rain gutters on the shop.

BUILDING REPORT

The Board reviewed quotes from *Kirkegard Construction* on the concrete along the bus drop. The 1st option to remove all the concrete and asphalt, haul gravel and do asphalt work is \$17,850. The 2nd option is to build drains and drain the water away from the sidewalk. Estimated cost is \$3500. The board also reviewed quotes on the Bo-Peep tree removal & concrete sidewalk of \$9500. The *Stormer Brothers* quoted \$1823.67 to remove the trees. Moved by Hove, seconded by Massar to hire *Kirkegard Construction* to do the 2nd option of the concrete along the bus drop for an estimated cost of \$3500. And an estimated \$9500. For the Bo-Peep tree removal and concrete sidewalk. Motion carried unanimously by the combined board.

Roger Schara spoke about his plans for installing new waterlines in the high school. The city is putting in new meters. There is no hot water for the janitors on the upper high school level. The home ec room has a hot water heater. He also spoke about putting a new waterline to the showers. The coaches' room has no hot water. The cold water line to the lower end was approved previously. The board agreed to finish what has been approved and then reevaluate the project. They would like to see a proposal for the remainder of the installation of the waterlines.

CURRICULUM

Discussion was held on offering Pre-Algebra for next year. Mrs. McCloy said possibly 1/3 of the 8th graders could take pre-algebra as freshman. We don't have the curriculum for it now. The possibility of taking the calculus students and put those students online and then using that spot for a pre-algebra class may be considered. The board would like this on the June agenda.

(Nita Crockett entered the room at 8:00 pm)

ACTIVITY FEES (for free & reduced students)

Moved by Hove, seconded by Beery to approve the following activity fees beginning in the 2019-20 year.

FREE LUNCH, GRADES 9-12

First \$45 – waived (spectator & first activity)

Additional activities \$25

FREE LUNCH, GRADES 7 & 8

First \$45 – waived (spectator & first activity)

Additional activities \$20.

FREE LUNCH STUDENTS, GRADES 1-6, spectator & activity fee waived, additional activities waived.

REDUCED LUNCH, GRADES 9-12

First \$45 –(spectator & first activity) = \$25.

Additional activities =\$25.

REDUCED LUNCH, GRADES 7 & 8

First \$45 – (spectator & first activity) = \$25

Additional activities = \$20

REDUCED LUNCH STUDENTS GRADES 1-6.

Spectator & activity fee: \$15.00

Motion carried unanimously by the combined board.

MHSA DUES

Moved by Moline, seconded by Phillips to approve the MHSA dues for the following: Boys basketball, football, track & wrestling. Girls basketball, cross country, track & volleyball. Combined band, chorus, drama & speech. Liability Catastrophe premium of \$299. And concussion insurance for \$66. Motion carried unanimously by the combined board.

PROPERTY & LIABILITY INSURANCE, STORAGE TANK POLLUTION LIABILITY INSURANCE

Moved by Hove, seconded by Massar to approve the *MSGIA* property & liability renewal for \$29,883 and the Storage Tank Pollution Liability Insurance Proposal for \$1,214. With *Alliant*. Motion carried unanimously by the combined board.

EXTRACURRICULAR

Moved by Moline, seconded by Hove to offer Colleen Stormer the HS Girls Cross Country coach position and the junior high wrestling position for the 2019-20 year. Motion carried unanimously by the combined board. (Massar abstained).

Mr. Kniep reported that Taylor Schipman has applied for the Girls Basketball position. Conrad Moline is also interested. Mr. Kniep recommended Taylor Schipman. Discussion: Sara asked how he plans to handle both varsity basketball programs. The general consensus is that will be worked out. Moved by Hove, seconded by Moline to offer the HS Girls basketball coach position for the 2019/20 year to Taylor Schipman. Motion carried unanimously by the high school board.

Mr. Kniep reported that there are 2 people interested in sharing the activities director duties – Taw Eissinger & Averi Pasma. It was discussed that in the fall season when both Taw & Averi are coaching that an administrator will need to do crowd control and help out at the activity. Moved by Massar, seconded by Hove to table the hiring of the activities director. Further discussion was held on how the compensation would be split. The board voted unanimously against the motion. Motion failed.

Moved by Beery, seconded by Moline to offer the activities director position to Taw Eissinger & Averi Pasma for the 2019/20 year as 2 separate contracts. Discussion was held on paying Averi on the master agreement scale and to pay Taw Eissinger 20% of the base and have the title of events coordinator. It was further discussed that since the activities director is part of the master contract, if we need to confer with the CTA. Those in favor of the motion: Hove. Opposed: White, Moline, Beery, Massar & Phillips. Motion failed.

Moved by Massar, seconded by Phillips to table any decision on the activities director. Those in favor of the motion: White, Moline, Beery, Massar & Phillips. Opposed: Hove. Motion carried.

PRAIRIE VIEW SPECIAL SERVICES

Moved by Moline, seconded by Massar to enter into a contract with Prairie View Special Services curriculum consortium for the 2019/20 year for \$3646. Motion carried unanimously by the combined board.

PRAIRIE VIEW SPECIAL SERVICES RECOMMITMENT TO COOPERATIVE

Moved by Massar, seconded by Beery to sign the “recommitment to cooperative” and appoint Preston Wenz to the governing board of the Prairie View Special Services for the 2019/20 year. Motion carried unanimously by the combined board.

BUS PURCHASE/REPAIRS

Garry Johnson addressed the board at this time. He presented 2 quotes for replacing an activity bus. One was a Bluebird from Hartley’s for \$133,000. And a quote from Harlow’s for \$125,195 for an IC. Garry prefers the IC. He spoke about the specs and features of each bus. The IC is a gas, with USB chargers, coach seats & underfloor compartments. We could trade in the 2003 yellow bus. They would give us about \$500. Circle Machine Works estimated it to cost \$25,000 to put a new engine in the 2003. If we order this week, the bus should be here by August. Moved by Massar, seconded by Hove to purchase the IC bus from Harlow’s at a price of \$125,195 as per Garry Johnson’s recommendation and replace the 2003 yellow bus. Motion carried unanimously by the combined board.

Moved by Massar, seconded by Moline to adopt a resolution to take bids for the 2003 yellow bus as the bus is unsuitable for school purposes. The board will take bids until July 8, 2019 and may reject any and all bids. Motion carried unanimously by the combined board.

Garry Johnson addressed the board about installing a “webasto “ water heater into the 2016 yellow bus. It brings the engine up to operating temperature even before starting. Moved by Hove, seconded by Beery to put the webasto into the 2016 yellow bus. Motion carried unanimously by the combined board.

TEACHER CONTRACT (S)

Ms. Fillingier reported that we have a student that will need 16 hours of instruction this summer. Moved by Moline, seconded by Hove to pay Ronda Idland \$25. Per hour for her summer hours. Motion carried unanimously by the combined board.

Moved by Hove, seconded by Moline to offer Alicia Wenz a teacher contract for the 2019/20 year. Discussion was held on assigning her a primary grade. She is flexible and may be assigned in other areas. Motion carried unanimously by the combined board.

CANVASS ELECTION

At this time the board canvassed the results of the May 7, 2019 election as follows: High School General Fund levy for \$18,283.58 FOR: 149, AGAINST: 138. Elementary General Fund levy for \$26,916.61 FOR: 100, AGAINST: 93. Therefore, the high school & elementary general fund propositions were approved. Moved by Moline, seconded by Beery to declare the results of the May 7, 2019 election as true and valid. Motion carried unanimously by the combined board.

BOARD REORGANIZATION

Moved by White to nominate Bryce Hove for chairman. Chairman called for any other nominations. There being none. Moved by White, seconded by Massar to elect Bryce Hove as chairman of the board. Motion carried unanimously by the combined board.

Moved by Hove, to nominate Dusty White as vice chair. There being no other nominations, moved by Hove, seconded by Massar to election Dusty White as vice chairman of the board. Motion carried unanimously by the combined board.

APPOINT CLERK

Moved by Moline, seconded by Beery to appoint Della Van Horn for clerk of the board for one year. Motion carried unanimously by the combined board.

Moved by Massar, seconded by Beery to keep the same board committees. Motion carried unanimously by the combined board.

9-12 PRINCIPAL/SUPERINTENENT REPORT

Ms. Fillinger gave her principal/superintendent report. The high school gym floor has issues. *Western Sports* has offered to go down to the paint on the maroon areas that are bubbling and having problems. They can come in June 4th and the gym would be closed for 3 weeks. Discussion was held on the gym floor refinishing. Moline has concerns with the interference with Big Sky State Game practice and volleyball camp. The board didn't see any other options. The Redwater gym will still be available.

E Rate funding came through. They will start after July 1. It should cost us about \$10,000.

Ms. Fillinger said that she and Mr. Kniep will be doing an inservice for teachers on the book "Crucial Conversations" on June 5 & 6th. The chrome books are here.

Mr. Kniep gave his K-8 principal report. Sandy and he are checking in the Language Arts curriculum. Sports schedules are complete. Athletic awards are done, 8th grade promotion is coming up. Ms. Fillinger and he did a "walk through" of the buildings. The elementary had a guest speaker on fossils. The Jr/Sr banquet went well, the pop concert is at 7:00 on the 14th, Friday is bacculaureate and graduation Sunday.

The next meeting will be June 18th.

The chairman adjourned the meeting at 9:55 pm
