

LITCHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
December 18, 2017

President Mitch Feldman called the regular meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

Members Present: Bill Howard, Marie Sweley, Mitch Feldman, Todd Wardyn, and Jim Holm. (Steve Heapy was absent).

Visitors: Susan Poland, and Cannon Blauvelt.

President Mitch Feldman announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Law is posted on the wall of the meeting room, and also indicated the instructions for those who wish to speak during the public forum.

The minutes of the last meeting were read. Bill Howard made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Second by Todd Wardyn. Motion carried 5-0.

Wade Finley reported a balance of \$868,545.00 in the district treasury. Payroll and claims in the amount of \$218,123.62 were presented for payment. Jim Holm made a motion to pay the claims. Second by Bill Howard. Motion carried 5-0.

Matt Drew reported on the MAP Testing in Elementary and several positive trends, Professional development for January 3<sup>rd</sup>, Custer County STEM lab, Anticipation for report cards being mailed out on Friday December 22<sup>nd</sup>, Music Program, and Elementary Science Olympiad.

Wade Finley reported on Board Election Certification, COOP Meeting, Legislative information from NCSA & NRCSA information, and building and grounds maintenance updates.

Wade discussed with the Board the amount of vacancies for the upcoming election and it was decided that possibly three would be vacant.

The Board discussed COOP meeting in Litchfield on December 1<sup>st</sup>. The people in attendance, fall sports review, busing, practices, and Mr. Blauvelt as Activities Director for next year.

Legislative information was shared that Wade received at the conference he attended on the 6<sup>th</sup> and gave out a lot of hand outs and made a quick overview of them.

Several updates on the buildings and grounds as repair work around the vents of the blue building, fixing a fan in the gym and adding a light on the west side of the blue building, installing of new door handles on the locker rooms, refinishing of hand rails in the main building, and gym floor repair under warranty during Christmas break.

Jim Holm made a motion to approve the final payment to Anderson Ladd be paid out of the Depreciation Fund after it is double checked to be the correct amount. Second by Bill Howard. Motion carried 5-0.

Jim Holm made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss teacher salary negotiations, Superintendent evaluation/contract, and Board of education self-evaluations. Second by Marie Sweley. Motion carried 5-0.

President Mitch Feldman reinstated the intent to go into executive session was to discuss teacher salary negotiations, Superintendent evaluation/contract, and Board education self-evaluations.

The Board enters executive session at 8:15 p.m.

Marie Sweley made a motion to exit executive session. Second by Bill Howard. Motion carried 5-0.

Board Exit executive session at 9:12 p.m.

Jim Holm made a motion to complete the teachers' negotiations with the agreed upon information that was presented to the Board after the last negotiations meeting. Second by Todd Wardyn. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion to be made on superintendent contract after it has been presented and accepted and the Board self-evaluations will be tabled until next meeting.

Jim Holm made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:12 p.m. Second by Bill Howard. Motion carried 5-0.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be at 7:30 p.m. on January 15, 2017. The agenda is a continuous agenda and is available for examination during regular hours at the office of the Superintendent. Public notice of the meeting will be given in the Small Town Times Newsletter and in the Sherman County Times.

Marie Sweley  
Board Secretary