

## **Plainview Public Schools Board of Education Meeting**

Monday, June 9, 2008, 5:30 p.m.

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The monthly meeting of the Board of Education of District 5 of Plainview, Neb., was called to order at 5:30 p.m. in the media room of the Plainview Public Schools on Monday, June 9, by Alden Zuhlke, president. Roll call was answered by Zuhlke, Janyce Warneke, Krista Hanks, Tom Scranton and Dan Stelling. Kent Friedrich was absent.

Also present were Supt. David Hamm, Principal Randy Klooz, Recording Secretary Lee Warneke, Becky Dahl, Tim Wacker and Jeremy Hampton.

Zuhlke indicated that the rules for open meetings were posted at the back of the room.

### **CONSENT ITEMS**

Consent items included the minutes of the May 12 meeting, the financial reports and the June claims.

The financial report (with last month's figures in parenthesis) showed a balance of \$630,759.75 (\$56,364.62) in the checking account. CDs total \$994,000.00 (\$994,000.00); Special Building Fund \$28,483.32 (\$14,744.04); Petty Cash Fund \$1,969.96 (\$1877.03); Activity Account \$80,742.89 (50,409.84); Lunch Account \$28,874.72 (\$31,136.02); Employee Benefit Fund \$51,409.67 (\$51,332.46); Depreciation Fund \$228,762.92 (\$228,381.87); Payroll Account \$1,800.19 (\$1,720.41); Custodial/Section 125 Account \$11,071.92 (\$9,754.58). Total assets were \$2,015,625.25, compared to \$1,344,527.28 a month ago and \$1,987,858.88 a year ago.

May receipts totaled \$931,703.73, coming predominantly from tax receipts from the three counties, compared to \$219,216.08 at the end of April. Disbursements totaled \$357,308.60, including \$95,193.59 for claims and \$262,115.01 for payroll. Building fund receipts totaled \$13,739.28 with no expenditures, leaving a balance of \$28,483.32, compared to \$14,744.04 a month ago. 75.45 percent of budget has been expended, compared to 72.91 percent a year ago.

Claims to the general fund totaled \$42,250.09.

Stelling moved, Scranton seconded, to approve the minutes of the May 12 meeting as well as the consent items for this meeting. Upon roll call vote, the ayes were unanimous. Friedrich absent. Motion carried.

### **ROOFING ISSUES**

While repair of the Pirate Auditorium roof had already been discussed at a previous meeting, it was noted that several leaks have taken their toll on the ceiling above the gym floor. It was felt that repairs should be made on the roof, even though it might have a significant cost.

Scranton moved, Warneke seconded, to accept bids for the repair or replacement of the roof on the Pirate Auditorium. Upon roll call vote, the ayes were unanimous. Friedrich absent. Motion carried.

### **FEDERAL AND STATE PROGRAMS DIRECTOR**

It was learned that action had not been taken previously to appoint the superintendent as the district's state and federal programs director as required to permit him to have the authority to fill out forms, grant applications, etc. required by the state and federal government.

Warneke moved, Hanks seconded, to appoint Superintendent Hamm to serve as the district's state and federal programs director. Upon roll call vote, the ayes were unanimous. Friedrich absent. Motion carried.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

There were four board policies that the board is required to evaluate annually in a public hearing. It was noted that new policy recommendations are expected shortly from the Nebraska Association of School Boards and that it might be best to make no changes at this time pending the new recommendations.

The president opened a hearing for the policy on parent involvement. There was no recommendation for change. He then closed the hearing.

He then opened a hearing for the policy on student fees. There was no recommendation for change. He then closed the hearing.

He then opened a hearing for the policy on student access to networked information. There was no recommendation for change. He then closed the hearing.

He then opened a hearing for the policy on school wellness. There was no recommendation for change. He then closed the hearing.

### **TEACHING CONTRACT**

The interview committee had recommended that Chad Schumacher be hired to replace Scott Guzinski to serve as social sciences instructor and as assistant football and wrestling coach as well as help with some junior high duties, unless he also serves as athletic director, and with this to consider providing the entire fourth block free for him, half for teacher prep and half for athletic director duties. Considerable discussion followed on these topics.

Stelling moved, Scranton seconded, to approve the offering of a teaching contract to Chad Schumacher for the 2008-2009 school year, contingent on his being released from his contract at Randolph. Extra duties would be assigned. Upon roll call vote, the ayes were unanimous. Friedrich absent. Motion carried.

Principal Klooz indicated that he had offered the position to Schumacher and assigned him assistant football, assistant wrestling and athletic director duties and he would have a block of time during the day to serve as athletic director.

### **PRINCIPALS' REPORTS**

A written report from the former elementary principal, Corey Dahl, told of textbook orders for the coming year, as well as technology orders.

Secondary principal, Randy Klooz, indicated that they were attempting to get all of the next school year's activities on the calendar on the website. He further discussed contact with a possible technology instructor which will continue to be pursued. Also discussed was the math department and attempts to provide the right courses without conflicts, although it appeared that there would be two students not able to take band due to math requirements. Much discussion came from the Board on whether more emphasis was being made on sports activity than on classes.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Zuhlke reminded Board members of several meetings that they might be interested in attending. It was also indicated that there was an open meetings law session coming up at Norfolk, presented by the Nebraska Association of School Boards, to acquaint them with open meeting regulations.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Supt. Hamm commented on the Nebraska School Finance Workshop on July 23, and listed dates when he would be out of the office on vacation. He indicated continued efforts to comply with regulations to have a storage tank removed, but the firm able to do this is slow in getting around.

He pointed out that if discussions continue with the possible technology instructor, who has ample experience but is not a certified teacher at this point, a service contract would be offered instead of a teaching contract.

He also indicated that there had been some vandalism at the school with several broken windows. It had been suggested that signs be erected indicating no loitering and no skate boarding to permit law authorities to have more authority to take care of such situations.

Since the Board has been obtaining a new bus every two years, he indicated that the bus supervisor was checking around on possibilities and may have information to consider at the July meeting.

It was pointed out that the entry way to the back of the elementary school was in poor condition and in need of repair or replacement. The Board members agreed to tour the area after the meeting.

There being no further business, the president declared the meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

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I, the undersigned, the duly appointed recording secretary of the Board of Education of District 5, Plainview, Neb., hereby certify that the attached and foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the regular meeting of the Board of Education of District 5 of Plainview, Neb., held in open session on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2008, which meeting was preceded by public notice published in the Plainview News.

Leonald Warneke, Recording Secretary