

PAPILLION LA VISTA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT #27
Board of Education Proceedings
January 27, 2020

The Board of Education of the School District of Papillion La Vista, in the County of Sarpy, in the State of Nebraska, met in open and public session at 6:00 p.m., Monday, January 27, 2020. The meeting was held at the Papillion La Vista Community Schools Administration Office, 420 South Washington Street, Papillion, Nebraska.

Notice of the meeting was provided in advance by publication in the *Papillion Times*, January 22, 2020. Notice of the meeting was simultaneously given to all members of the Board of Education. Their acknowledgment of receipt of the agenda is maintained at the Papillion La Vista Community Schools Administration Office. The proceedings, hereafter shown, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Call to Order

Board President Bret Brasfield called the meeting to order and publicly stated a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Law is posted at the entrance to the Board Room. Mr. Brasfield led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken. All board members were present: Mr. Chuck Zurcher, Dr. Fred Tafoya, Mr. Brian Lodes, Ms. SuAnn Witt, Ms. Valerie Fisher, and Mr. Bret Brasfield. There were no comments from the Board or audience.

Communication

There were no comments regarding items not on the agenda.

Presentation

SEL (Social, Emotional, and Learning) Curriculum Implementation at the Middle School was presented by Alex Olson from Liberty, Valerie Parrack from Papillion Middle, Landon Hauge from La Vista Middle, and Principals Troy Juracek (LMS), Tim Johnson (PMS), and Jen Carson (LVMS). They shared their experience with the toolbox process, the SEL curriculum itself, and how the implementation has worked during the first semester of school. They also shared what the lesson structure looks like for students and staff.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Rikli provided a report of highlights and activities he has attended this past month. A draft letter that Dr. Rikli and Mr. Brasfield prepared to Senator Blood was shared with the Board asking each of them to review. If they were in support of the letter, it would be mailed on Tuesday.

Interviews will be conducted for new principal positions at PLSHS and Anderson Grove. PLSHS interviews will be conducted on January 30 with Anderson Grove interviews on February 3. The announcement of both positions will take place the early part of February.

This week each of the elementary schools will celebrate the 100th day of classes. I Love Public Schools will celebrate on Wednesday, January 29 across the state of Nebraska. Friday, January 31 the District will host its Discovery Tour. The purpose of the Discovery Tour is to invite the community to tour our schools and ask questions.

Dr. Rikli will be traveling to Austin, Texas February 5-8 for the ERDI (Educational Research Development Institute) conference.

Board Comments

Ms. Fisher and Mr. Brasfield attended the NASB President's Retreat in Nebraska City January 26 and 27. Both Ms. Fisher and Mr. Brasfield commented on how good the information was and the collaboration that was held with other school districts.

Ms. SuAnn Witt attended the ESU PDO meeting which focused on mental health issues. Our district is on the right path dealing with SEL.

Dr. Tafoya attended the Lions Club Spaghetti feed dinner and was impressed with the students who performed during the dinner.

Mr. Lodes attended the lunch that was provided for the Districts sub teachers. The lunch was very well attended.

Committee Reports:

- Building & Grounds & Finance: Mr. Zurcher reported the committee had not met.
- HR & Student Services Committee: Mr. Lodes reported the committee had not met.
- Curriculum and Instruction Committee: Ms. Fisher reported the committee had met. Agenda items discussed were Technology and Malware, Google Migration Plan, Professional Development Pilot, AdvancEd visit, Strategic Plan update, and Science Change Implementation.

Action Items

A motion was made by Ms. Witt and seconded by Mr. Zurcher to approve the Action by Consent Items: The meeting agenda, finance, out of state travel and personnel items as presented. There were no comments from the Board or audience. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Fisher, Witt, Brasfield, Lodes, Zurcher, and Tafoya. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Ms. Fisher and seconded by Dr. Tafoya to approve the Board meeting minutes of January 13, 2020. There were no comments from the Board or audience. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Witt, Brasfield, Lodes, Zurcher, Tafoya, and Fisher Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Lodes and seconded by Ms. Fisher to approve the 2020-21 additions as proposed including 13.0 FTEs of certified staff, with an additional 5.0 FTEs allocated if needed for growth. Ms. Fisher noted that if the District were to need the additional growth FTE's a discussion would be held and approved. There were no comments from the audience. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Brasfield, Lodes, Zurcher, Tafoya, Fisher, and Witt. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Zurcher and seconded by Mr. Lodes to approve one additional early retirement application bringing the total number of approved applications for 2019-20 to 16. Mr. Lodes commented on the good practice it is to save the District money on the additional retirement. There were no comments from the audience. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Lodes, Zurcher, Tafoya, Fisher, Witt, and Brasfield. Nays: None. The motion carried.

Discussion/Information Items

Mr. Tim Gay and Kaitlin Reece, Catalyst Public Affairs, who are the District's registered lobbyists gave the Board an update on the 106th Legislative session. April 23 will be the last day of the 60-day session. Mr. Gay and Ms. Reece provided insight on bills that will impact the District. The bills can be categorized into four main areas: property tax/school finance, curriculum, student discipline, and student-staff relationships. He also highlighted the themes that have emerged from the bills that were submitted.

Community member Mr. Edward Weniger stepped to the podium to question Mr. Gay and Ms. Reece on the billion-dollar tax refund petition. Mr. Weniger asked Mr. Gay why community members would be opposed to this refund. Mr. Gay explained we not opposed or supportive of the bill. Ms. Reece and Mr. Gay explained the States budget and how the bill will affect the state and the education fund.

Dr. Kati Settles, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, shared the Series 1000 Board Policies are up for annual review. Recommended changes will be discussed at the February 10 board meeting, with possible action at the February 24 meeting. If there are no changes recommended, the Board will acknowledge review of the Series 1000 Board Policies at the February 10 meeting.

Dr. Rikli shared with the Board that each January board members are given the opportunity to select the Board Subcommittee and local and state organizations they wish to serve on for the New Year. Board Subcommittees consist of three board members as well as a Central Office Administrator. A committee chairperson is selected from one of the three board members. The Board Subcommittees are: Buildings & Grounds & Finance, Human Resources & Student Services, and Curriculum & Americanism. The Board also has representation on several local and state organizations. Those organizations are: Nebraska Association of School Boards Legislation Representative, Metro Area Boards of Education (MABE) Representative, Papillion-La Vista Schools Foundation Representatives, TeamMates Board Representative, GNSA Legislature Representatives, and District Student Wellness Representative. Board President Brasfield ask board members to contact him with committees they would like to serve on.

Board President Brasfield reviewed the future board calendar.

Board President Brasfield adjourned the meeting at 7:30p.m.

SuAnn Witt, Secretary
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