

PAPILLION LA VISTA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT #27
Board of Education Proceedings
August 24, 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 6:17p.m., Monday, August 24, 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*, August 19, 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. Board members present were Mr. Brian Lodes, Mr. Chuck Zurcher, Ms. SuAnn Witt, Dr. Fred Tafoya, Ms. Valerie Fisher, and Mr. Bret Brasfield. There were no comments from the Board or audience.

Communication

Mr. Justin Tolman, parent in the District, thanked Board members for their efforts in designing the return to school plan. Mr. Tolman commented that he felt the District's school plan should have changes and accountability. His opinion is that the school reopening plan is an experiment plan. The plan should be based on public officials and their findings that are provided to the public. The school reopening plan should be based on facts.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Rikli provided a report of highlights and activities he has attended this past month. Dr. Rikli shared that he has visited all schools and observed the morale in the schools is good. Students and staff are wearing their masks with mask breaks. Elementary school start and stop times were altered for social distancing purposes.

Fall Sports and activities have started with some exceptions. Metro High School Athletics have set some COVID protocols guidelines that were determined by the Sarpy/Douglas County Health Department. The Monarch and Titan football game is Friday, August 28. Due to the new guidelines the game will be live streamed by PLV Media.

Dr. Rikli gave a recap on the Legislative session that has ended. LB 1107 approved on the last day of session. The bill includes property tax relief provisions, authorization for a new economic incentive program called the ImagiNE Act, and funding for the UNMC NeXT project.

Board Comments

Ms. Fisher and Mr. Lodes thanked the staff and administration for their continued work on the reopening of our schools, remote learning and face to face learning.

Mr. Brasfield commented that the annual Board Retreat was held today at Hy-Vee. He thanked the Board and Administration for their time.

Committee Reports

- Building & Grounds & Finance: Mr. Zurcher reported the committee had met. Agenda items: Discussion on the District Fundraising Policies, new construction projects and their progression, and the 2020/21 budget.
- HR & Student Services Committee: Mr. Lodes reported the committee had met. Agenda items: School Reopening Plan, Enrollment – in person and remote learning, substitutes resources and compensation.
- Curriculum and Instruction Committee: Ms. Fisher reported the committee had not met.

Action Items

A motion was made by Ms. Fisher and seconded by Dr. Tafoya 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: Lodes, Zurcher, Witt, Tafoya, Fisher, and Brasfield. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Zurcher and seconded by Ms. Witt to approve the Board meeting minutes of August 10, 2020. There were no comments from the Board or audience. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Zurcher, Witt, Tafoya, Fisher, Brasfield, and Lodes. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Dr. Tafoya and seconded by Mr. Lodes to table the Policy 8000-Board Organization and Operation agenda item until the September 14 board meeting. Dr. Tafoya commented he had some changes that needed to be discussed. There were no comments from the audience. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Witt, Tafoya, Fisher, Brasfield, Lodes, and Zurcher. Nays: None. The motion carried.

Discussion/Information Items

Mr. Doug Lewis, Assistant Superintendent of Business, provided recommendations to the District's Fundraising Policy. The proposal was submitted as a Tier concept proposal and will be project based. The proposal will not include projects associated with the Papillion-La Vista Schools Foundation. All projects will require an application to start the process of authorization.

- Tier One: \$10,000 or less. School affiliated student-based clubs or organization only. Tier One requires Principal authorization.
- Tier Two: School affiliated student-based clubs or organizations with fundraising for projects costing between \$10,001 and \$49,999. All projects fundraised by PTO, Booster Club and school support organizations. Tier Two requires Principal or Director authorization, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services, and the Superintendents authorization.
- Tier Three: All fundraising for projects \$50,000 or more regardless of organization or purpose. Follows Board Policy #1409. Tier Three requires Principal or Director authorization, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services, and approval from the Board of Education.

Mr. Zurcher commented on the current Policy #1409 – the District must go by written word policy and not intent. Mr. Zurcher also believes that the current policy covers structural and nonstructural projects. Both Mr. Zurcher and Dr. Tafoya agree with the new Tier system that it makes the PTO's and Booster Clubs accountable for their fundraising.

Ms. Witt thanked Mr. Lewis for the clarification of the Policy #1409. All board members reiterated that it is very important to be upfront with the rewriting of the Policy #1409.

Public Comment:

Ms. Bren Fey, District parent, commented on the District's Fundraising Policy. Ms. Fey appreciates the changes that are being initiated to Policy #1409 for future use. She commented that she would ask the Board to investigate any and all fundraisers that fall under the Policy #1409 since October 2016.

Dr. Trent Steele reviewed the new regulations regarding Title IX from the US Department of Education. Several proposed updates to the series 4000-Personnel and 5000-Students policies have resulted. Dr. Steele provided to the Board a summary of the new regulations and the proposed updates to the following policies:

Series 4000-Personnel: Policy 4003 Anti-discrimination, Anti-harassment, and Anti-retaliation; Policy 4004: Sexual Harassment. Series 5000-Students: Policy 5202: Anti-discrimination, Anti-harassment, and Anti-retaliation; Policy 5208 Sex Discrimination and Sexual Harassment of Students (proposed to update to: Title IX) Action will take place at the September 14 board meeting.

Dr. Kati Settles, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, provided an update on the student enrollment as of 4:30pm for the 2020-21 school year. The District's enrollment includes 5915 Elementary students with 5230 in person learning and 685 remote learning, 1820 Middle School students with 1606 in person learning and 214 remote learning, and 3882 High School students with 3560 in person learning and 286 remote learning. Early Childhood enrollment is at 290.

Board President Brasfield reviewed the future board calendar.
Board President Brasfield adjourned the meeting at 7:19p.m.

SuAnn Witt, Secretary
Papillion La Vista Community School District
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