

Naselle-Grays River Valley School District No.155

Lisa Nelson, Superintendent
Rhiana Jacot, Executive Secretary

Board of Directors:
Chuck Hendrickson, Chairman, Dist. 3
Richard Nikkila, District 1
Amy Hunt, District 2
Amy Chadwick, District 4
Lonnie Eaton, District 5

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Grays River Fire Hall.

Present: Chuck Hendrickson, Chairman, Lonnie Eaton, Amy Hunt, Amy Chadwick, Richard Nikkila and Lisa Nelson.

Call to Order

Mr. Hendrickson, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Hendrickson, Chairman of the Board, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Changes or Additions to the Agenda

None

Consent Agenda – Approved as Presented

Mr. Eaton moved, seconded by Ms. Hunt to approve the consent agenda consisting of, payroll warrants 187517-187549 in the amount of \$375,426.01, general fund warrants 187452-187516 in the amount of \$82,418.32, ASB warrants 12504-12513 in the amount of \$6,465.18, student success fund warrants 750 in the amount of \$29.16, and board minutes dated March 20, 2018. Motion carried.

Personnel

Ms. Hunt moved, seconded by Mr. Nikkila to approve the hire of Zara Ahlers, Youth Camp School secretary. Motion carried.

Mr. Nikkila moved, seconded by Mr. Eaton to acknowledge the resignation of Cheri Brignone, end of August. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Susan Burkhalter spoke about the potential changes to the Mandarin program. She said she appreciated receiving a letter that was sent home to inform parents about the changes. She said she has some concerns about classroom management, but she would really like to see the program continue. Mr. Donlon stated that he has received a couple of Mandarin applicants and he is currently following up on that.

Unfinished Business

Mr. Nikkila moved, seconded by Ms. Hunt to approve the following policies: 2108 Learning Assistance Program, 4130 Title I Parent and Family Engagement and 5050 Contracts. Motion carried.

New Business

Ms. Hunt moved, seconded by Mr. Eaton to approve the school calendar for 2018-19. Motion carried.

Mr. Eaton moved, seconded by Ms. Chadwick to approve overnight travel for spring sports and activities. Motion carried.

Ms. Chadwick moved, seconded by Mr. Nikkila to approve the surplus of the 1999 Buick Regal with 132,000 miles. Motion carried.

Mr. Eaton moved, seconded by Ms. Hunt to approve the surplus of the 2001 Thomas Bus, 66 passenger, with 186,000 miles. Motion carried.

Mr. Nikkila moved, seconded by Ms. Chadwick to approve resolution 2018-4-17 for sale of the VFW Hall property. Motion carried.

Principals/Staff Reports

Mr. Donlon acknowledged the work of Justin Laine and Rachel Suomela in organizing the recent career fair. Edie Glenn and Herlet Watson also put a lot of time in. There were over 70 participants. He said he made connections with a number of participants who are willing to return in the fall to participate in the STEM Expo.

Usher-A totally teen comedy had performances on April 12th and 13th. Karl Johnson did a great job with the variety of students in different grade levels.

Ms. Nelson reported that another diploma was recently earned at the Youth Camp and three more students were very close. She also reported that another GED was earned making a total of 30 for the year.

Superintendent's Report

Fund Balance is \$1,130,534

Enrollment FTE: K/12 - 331, NYCS – 72, CVA – 21

Ms. Nelson said we will be starting negotiations with teachers soon. The state is supposed to fund \$66,000 per teacher, not including benefits. One-third of Naselle teachers are currently at the top step of the LEAP salary schedule. There are 295 districts in the state that are now negotiating teacher salaries. New state requirements set minimum teacher salary at \$40,000, with an increase to \$44,000 in the next five years. The state set the maximum teacher allowance at \$90,000. Ms. Nelson said we project a shortfall of approximately \$500,000 over the next three years. Ms. Nelson stated that we have to negotiate a new salary schedule by September since the old one will be gone.

The state has suspended the K-3, 17:1, teacher to student ratio until the 19-20 school year.

The Middle and High School roof needs to be replaced. Early cost assessments are around \$300,000.

The new bus arrived recently.

Graduation is on June 9th at 4:00.

Board Member Reports and Future Agenda Items

Amy Chadwick attended a WSSDA meeting on March 31st. She said there are a lot of other districts in similar situations regarding negotiating teacher contracts and preparing their upcoming budgets.

WSSDA is increasing their availability for classes and training. There is a regional meeting on April 25th in Vancouver.

Ms. Chadwick mentioned the test for the seal of bi-literacy which recognizes students who are bilingual.

Ms. Chadwick stated the Title I family night was a fun event and great for the students.

Adjournment


Mr. Nikkila moved, seconded by Mr. Eaton to adjourn the meeting at 7:16. Motion carried.



Secretary to the Board

5/15/18

Date



Chairman of the Board

5/15/18

Date