

Arapahoe Public School
Board of Education – Regular Meeting
School Library
September 12th, 2016 8:00 pm

President Todd Watson called the meeting to order at 8:29 pm.

President Todd Watson welcomed the visitors and announced that the Arapahoe Board of Education follows the rules of the Open Meetings Act which is posted.

The following members were present: Todd Watson, Dan Warner, Rod Whipple, Dennis Roskop and Lisa Anderson.

The following member(s) were absent: Kelly Breinig.

Also present was Dr. George Griffith, Superintendent and Cassie Hilker, Board Secretary. Guest(s) included Tammie Middagh.

A motion was made by Roskop and seconded by Whipple to excuse Kelly Breinig from the meeting. AYES: Warner, Whipple, Roskop, Anderson and Watson. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Roskop and seconded by Warner to approve the agenda. AYES: Whipple, Roskop, Anderson, Watson and Warner. Motion carried 5-0.

President Watson asked for Public Comment. Tammie Middagh reported that this past Saturday, Olivia tenBensel was recognized for winning a Teammates scholarship of \$14,000 per year at the Husker Football game. Today, DeMoine Adams came out from Lincoln and he gave the senior teammates a presentation on the scholarships that are available through the Teammates program. Watson thanked Tammie for all of her work with Teammates.

REPORTS

Griffith went on to present Braithwait's report. This week is Homecoming week. Bob is currently serving as secretary for the conference for Principal/AD meetings. There is a meeting this Wednesday in Cambridge. The Junior High Band will be marching Saturday in the Beaver City parade. MAPS testing will be done for the elementary next week and Junior High / High School will be done the following week. Parent Teachers Conferences are September 27th from 2:30 pm to 5:00 pm and then from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Teacher evaluations will begin the first week of October and should be done by the first week in December.

Griffith reported that he and Cassie attended the NASB Labor Relations Conference in Lincoln, September 7th and 8th. We both came back with some good information. I will try to make the presentation material available to all board members. Registration for the NASB Conference opens on Wednesday, September 14th, and we will plan on all board members attending including the new board member. Cassie and I will be attending the School Law Conference on September 21st in Kearney. I have an RPAC meeting on September 22nd in McCook. Arapahoe is the secretary for the RPAC this year so Mr. Braithwait and I will need to do our best to be at each meeting. September 28th there will be a NASB Area Meeting in North Platte with check-in at 4:30 pm and meetings starting at 5:00 pm. Cassie and I are planning on attending and if any board member wishes to attend, let Cassie or I know so we can get you registered. Board training and goal setting with NASB can be done October 4th. I believe Kelly is due back at the end of September so we can look at October 4th or I can try to get later dates in October. Shari would like the meeting to be early since she will be driving back to Lincoln that evening. It should be a two to three hour meeting. We have home JV and Varsity Volleyball games on October 4th. I did deliver candy bars and movie passes to all staff today due to the great response to the fire situation. Those purchases are not purchased with school funds.

Board Member Reports – Watson encouraged everyone to get out and vote tomorrow.

Board Committee Reports – Roskop reported on behalf of the Finance Committee and stated that they reviewed the budget and claims and everything looked in line.

ACTION ITEMS

A motion was made by Warner and seconded by Whipple to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, which included minutes from previous meetings and financial reports. AYES: Roskop, Anderson, Watson, Warner and Whipple. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Roskop and seconded by Anderson to approve claims including the General Fund, Equipment Depreciation Fund, Lunch Fund and Bus Depreciation Fund totaling \$340,050.32. AYES: Anderson, Watson, Warner, Whipple but abstaining from claim number 28098 to ATC for \$290.69, and Roskop. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Whipple and seconded by Warner to approve the 2016-2017 budget of all funds as amended at the budget hearing. AYES: Watson, Warner, Whipple, Roskop and Anderson. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Roskop and seconded by Whipple to adopt the resolution for the tax levy for the 2016-2017 school year as amended at the hearing and in the amount of \$0.605076 for the general fund and \$0.038669 for the special building fund. AYES: Warner, Whipple, Roskop, Anderson and Watson. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Braithwait joined the meeting.

Griffith presented a summary of benefits for classified staff that would be based on specific length of time and base benefits on the number of months and hours worked as identified in the primary contract. It also includes allocating fifteen percent of the cost of the school cell phone plan as a taxable benefit so staff can use their cell phones for personal use. The changes included adding disability insurance, standardizing the cell phone stipend to \$35/month vs the \$0.40/route, and adding an additional holiday. Roskop recommended turning this over to the negotiations committee to be used as needed. All agreed to table the item.

Griffith received an estimate from Snyder Construction for 450 tons of white rock added to the back parking lot including in front of the bus barn at a cost of approximately \$19,000 (\$39.60 per ton) and an additional \$2,000 to pile, prep and spread the rock. Total approximate cost is estimated at \$21,000 and will vary on the actual tonnage needed to properly cover the area. Warner recommended tabling this item until the outcome of the bond is known. All agreed to revisit this item at the October board meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Public Comment – None.

Regular Board Meeting, Monday, October 10th, 2016 at 8:00 pm.

A motion was made by Roskop and seconded by Whipple to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 pm. AYES: Whipple, Roskop, Anderson, Watson and Warner. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Cassie Hilker, Board Secretary