

Arapahoe Public School
Board of Education – Regular Meeting
School Library
January 11th, 2016 7:15 pm

President Todd Watson called the meeting to order at 7:15 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, Rod Whipple, Kelly Breinig, Dennis Roskop and Lisa Anderson.

The following member(s) were absent: Dan Warner.

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

Also present was Charlie Curnyn, Superintendent, Bob Braithwait, Principal and Cassie Hilker, Board Secretary. Guest(s) included Tammie Middagh, Julie Eidson, Jeff and Michelle Metzger.

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

President Watson asked for Public Comment. Jeff and Michelle Metzger commented on the excessive nature in which storm routes are being called and inquired about alternatives. They have contacted the county commissioner about the roads. Julie Eidson expressed that she is putting the children's safety first when calling storm routes. An alternate route could be done; however, this would add another 30 minutes or so to the route. Watson suggested a Transportation Committee meeting to address this issue. Tammie reported that January is National Mentoring Month and asks anyone interested in mentoring to contact her about the Teammates program. She also reported that there is a Teammates banner now displayed in the gym.

REPORTS

Braithwait reported that Kate Hatch was here on January 4th to follow up on the APL training that was done in December. I have noticed a lot of APL type activities taking place in the classrooms. RPAC Vocal will be here on the 18th. Clinic is at 1:00 and the concert is that evening at 7:00. NESA Writing Window opens January 18th for grades 4th-8th-11th and closes February 5th. Arapahoe will host the RPAC Tournament 2nd round the 25th (girls) and 26th (boys). Games will start at 4:30 with 3 games each day. 1st round is at Alma on the 23rd. Semi-finals at Cambridge the 28th (girls) and 29th (boys), with consolation and finals at McCook College on the 30th. Arapahoe Wrestling Invite is scheduled for the 30th. Elementary will do MAPS testing starting the week of February 1st. High School will start on the 8th. 3rd quarter parent teacher conferences will take place February 2nd from 2:30 until 7:30. The teachers will have a 30 minute break for supper from 5 to 5:30.

Curnyn reported that there will be a NASB conference in Lincoln on January 31st – February 1st. Last Wednesday, we had an educator's retirement planner in to visit with staff members. At last week's teacher in-service, I explained to staff that due to APL training this year that there is not a lot of room in the school instructional hours for our students. If we were to have many more late starts, early outs, or no school at all our school year could be extended. We have completed two days of APL training and we are scheduled to complete two more in February. Once we are done with those two days, I along with Mr. Braithwait and a committee of teachers will develop a walk-through evaluation form that can be used to help support teachers with the new training we just completed.

Whipple asked Curnyn about some of the new legislative proposals and changes. Curnyn advised Whipple that he would send him an email about the changes.

Board Member Reports: Roskop wanted to thank those that attended the community meeting on the 6th. He also wanted to encourage those that didn't make it to the meeting to please come to future meetings. Watson thanked Tammie and Cassie for the work they did with advertising for the meeting.

Board Committee Reports:

Watson reported that the Negotiations Committee is continuing to meet with the AEA on negotiating for the 2016-17 year.

Roskop reported that the Finance Committee met and the expenses looked in line. They also discussed placing some money back with First State Bank in Holbrook and plan to bring that as an action item at the next meeting.

Watson reported that the Buildings & Grounds Committee has a meeting scheduled for Wednesday with TJ of Clark Enersen to review the comment cards from the community meeting and also schedule future meetings.

ACTION ITEMS

A motion was made by Roskop and seconded by Whipple to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. AYES: Roskop, Anderson, Watson, Whipple and Breinig. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Roskop and seconded by Breinig to approve claims including the General Fund, Equipment Depreciation Fund, Employee Benefit Fund, Lunch Fund, Building Fund and Bus Depreciation Fund totaling \$301,116.32. AYES: Anderson, Watson, Whipple but abstaining from Claim No. 27503 to ATC for \$498.76, Breinig and Roskop. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Roskop and seconded by Anderson to approve the NASB contract for the superintendent search services for \$6,000 plus travel and advertising expenses. AYES: Watson, Whipple, Breinig, Roskop and Anderson. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Roskop and seconded by Breinig to approve the Hausmann contract for pre-construction services as Construction Manager for \$15,000. AYE: Whipple, Breinig, Roskop, Anderson and Watson. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Breinig and seconded by Whipple to approve the ESU 16 contract for distance education services for the 2016-2017 school year at \$23,000. AYES: Breinig, Roskop, Anderson, Watson and Whipple. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Breinig and seconded by Anderson to approve Superintendent Curnyn's resignation letter. AYES: Roskop, Anderson, Watson, Whipple and Breinig. Motion carried 5-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Public Comment – Watson would like to hold a Transportation Committee meeting soon to discuss the storm routes.

Curnyn reported that the filing deadline for incumbents is February 15th and non-incumbents is March 1st.

Superintendent Search Work Session, Wednesday, January 13th, 2016 at 6:00 pm in the School Library.
Regular Board Meeting, Monday, February 8th, 2016 at 7:00 pm.

A motion was made by Whipple and seconded by Breinig to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 pm. AYES: Anderson, Watson, Whipple, Breinig and Roskop. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Cassie Hilker, Board Secretary