

TWO RIVERS PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular School Board Meeting, Aug 28, 2023

1. OPENING

- A. The meeting was called to order at 5:45 pm by President Henrickson.
- B. Present: Nicole Benthein, Jennifer Henrickson, Tim Klinkner, Zak Peterson, Gary Shavlik, Maria Veldre. Excused: Randy Williams.
- C. Written notice of this meeting was sent to the news media on Friday, Aug 25, 2023.
- D. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- E. Motion by Klinkner, second by Shavlik to approve the Agenda; motion carried 6-0.
- F. Recognition of Invited Visitors and Guests - None.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT FROM CITIZENS ON AGENDA ITEMS: None.

3. COMMUNICATIONS: Thank you note.

4. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Facility/Technology: Shavlik, Johnson, and Wester shared the Aug 22 report including the site logistics plan, anticipated late-Oct groundbreaking of the middle school gym, and change in pick up and drop off routines at L.B. Clarke Middle School.
- B. Policy - next meeting Sep 13.

5. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Motion by Veldre, second by Shavlik to approve the 2023-2024 Employee Handbook; motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.
- B. Other as appropriate: None.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Motion by Klinkner, second by Benthein to approve the contract for Neysa Bianchi, Remedial Reading Teacher, for Magee Elementary for the 2023-2024 school year; motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.
- B. Motion by Peterson, second by Veldre to approve the contract for Laura Weber, Grade 7/8 ELA Teacher, for L.B. Clarke Middle School for the 2023-2024 school year; motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.
- C. Motion by Peterson, second by Shavlik to approve the purchase of a chiller from Schaus Mechanical for the high school; motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.
- D. Other as appropriate: None.

7. ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE(S)

- A. (B.) Butler announced Marques Trost as the new middle school athletic director and explained the eight tier system to address attendance needs. Wester explained the 7th and 8th grade schedule model and the need for the change. Truly good moves have been made to create the best support systems in place for the students.
- B. (C.) Selissen shared the amazing start to the school year and the connections she made with both students and staff throughout the first day. Engh summarized the great work of Schneider and the Lights Leaders at freshman orientation, reported the solid performances of our fall athletic teams, and commended SRO Verhelst on embracing her role with TRHS. The team has revamped the Character Focus (Behavior) Group and the Academic teams.
- C. (A.) Korinek outlined the first semester PLC schedule and the goals for teachers.
- D. Johnson expressed her gratitude to Shavlik and Peterson and the many people who attended the first day of school red carpet event at Magee Elementary School and summarized the hours of summer curriculum work put in by staff. Johnson highlighted the importance of the new teacher scavenger hunt and the importance of building relationships amongst the staff members, as well as building relationships with the community.

8. Coming events were announced.

9. Motion by Veldre, second by Benthein to adjourn to Closed Session under State Statute 19.85 (1)(c) for the purpose of discussion: Considering employment promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the government body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility at 6:44 pm; motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.

10. Motion by Shavlik, second by Veldre to convene into Regular Session for the purpose of considering motions as a result of Closed Session at 7:55 pm; motion carried 6-0. Motion by Shavlik, second by Veldre to approve the agreed upon employee contracts as discussed in closed session; motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.

11. Motion by Peterson, second by Benthein to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 pm, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Randy Williams, Board Clerk



Sheila Bailek, Administrative Assistant