

Tonasket School District #404
“Focused on Learning, Linking Learning to Life”

School Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 29, 2020
In the Boardroom at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Sharron Cox called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with Ernesto Cerrillo and the following board members attending by video conference: Jennie Wilson and Lois Rhoads. Superintendent Steve McCullough and secretary Janet Glanzer were present. Also present remotely were Bobbi Catone, John Maupin, Shay O'Connor, Stirling Headridge, Joy Timm, Christina Silverthorn, Kim Fitzthum, and Mary Weese.

FLAG SALUTE

Chair Sharron Cox led the flag salute at 7:00 p.m.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA - None

HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS – None

CONSENT AGENDA

Board Action: Ernesto Cerrillo moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Lois Rhoads seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

REPORTS

Financial Reports

Bobbi Catone reviewed the financial reports.

Superintendent

Steve McCullough reported that Tonasket SD was 8th in the state in the 2B and 1st the league for Scholastic Cup Champions. The Scholastic Cup is the WIAA's most prestigious annual school award. The year-long competition recognizes the top school in each of the six WIAA classifications based on academic, athletic and sportsmanship excellence. A letter went out to parents today providing information about grading and the end of school which we finally received guidance on both. The last day will be June 16th. The guidance indicates we only have to go five more school days past our original last school day. The district is continuing to work toward a face-to-face teaching model. Staff are engaged in ongoing training for implementing distance learning through Jeff Utecht videos. The survey on childcare regarding needs for staff is completed and administrators are now reaching out to find out what the actual needs are. The Governor is going to extend the stay at home order, but there are no details yet. However, there will not be much change for schools because students are not here. Contractors will be coming in the next two or three weeks to work on our safety and security project. Teacher Appreciation Week is next week. PSE is working on an MOU regarding evaluations and not doing them this year. Teacher evaluations will still need to be completed by May 15. Graduation will depend on what the state decides and Trisha Roach is engaged in looking at a variety of ideas.

Food Service Annual Report

John Maupin, District Manager for Chartwells, and Shay O'Connor, Chartwells Food Service Director for the district, provided the food service annual report. Appreciation was expressed to all staff for their efforts for feeding the students during this time of school closure.

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NEW BUSINESS

Planning for Our Financial Future

Steve McCullough proposed to use the next work session to review the process the district could use in determining how and when to cut programs and staff because of the COVID-19 crisis. There is a potential financial crisis that is predicted to impact school funding in the near future.

OSPI Grading Guidance and District Plan

Steve McCullough shared what has been communicated to staff and families about the district's approach regarding grading and the thinking behind this approach.

POLICY UPDATES

Second Reading Policies

Board Action: Ernesto Cerrillo moved to approve the second and final reading of Policies 3234, 3510, and 6700. Lois Rhoads seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

MISCELLANEOUS

Superintendent Evaluation

The board will schedule a time to meet together at a later date to complete the superintendent's evaluation.

ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD AGENDA

EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION - None

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Sharron Cox adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.



Janet Glanzer
Assistant Secretary

The minutes of the April 29, 2020 regular board meeting (2 pages) were approved at the May 27, 2020 board meeting.



Secretary to the Board



Chair of the Board