PIONEER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 402 STUDY SESSION MINUTES

Date of Meeting:

February 8, 2022

Time of Meeting:

6:00 PM

Location of Meeting:

Pioneer Middle School & Virtual

President:

Dr. Day

Dr. Day called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Mr. Clark led the pledge of allegiance. A quorum was established with four Board members present. Mr. Kipple was absent excused. In welcoming everyone to the Study Session, Dr. Day reminded participants these meetings are learning opportunities. Public comments are not on the agenda.

The following community and staff members in attendance were Michael Amundson, Trisha Amundson, Connie Bingham, Chris Bishop, Amy Byykkonen, Lynn Chakos, Amy Dahlberg, Amy Koster, Shawn Montano, Izzy Oleson, Kimberly Powell, Asia Schreiner, Matt Urban, Jessie VanAagten, Susan Vincent, Gordon Weeks, Joel Williams and Lynne Zamzow.

Lloyd Smith, Director of Maintenance and Facilities updated the board on the following facility projects; removal of the Pioneer Virtual Academy and former District Office portable, Small Schools Modernization Grant, and new modular construction update.

Kimberly Powell, Director of Teaching and Learning and Elementary Principal shared that bus drivers, teachers and administrators worked together to ensure that all students are aware of bus expectations. Students reviewed and practiced SOAR (Safe, Organized, Accountable, and Respective) expectations on their own bus along with their bus driver.

Pioneer Virtual Academy (PVA) team Lynne Zamzow, Trisha Amundson, and Kimberly Powell presented student enrollment, an academic update, and highlighted statements from students enrolled in PVA.

Communication with our families and community is a priority. It has been suggested that a weekly communication be created on a weekly basis from the Elementary School, Middle School, Virtual Academy, and District Office be sent to parents and stakeholders.

The board would like to see GRIT recognition of students and staff return as we move forward in the school year.

With February being a busy month, it has been suggested Saturday, March 5, 2022, be the date the board meet for a retreat. Discussion items may include budget/fiscal review and forecasting, establishing board goals and district committee.

Pioneer School Board Policy 1204-Committees and Policy 4110- Citizen Advisory Committee and Task Force support the board creating committees. Possibly committees to establish include but are not limited to facilities, transportation, budget/finance, and curriculum.

A virtual Special School Board Meeting will be held Thursday, February 9, 2022 at 6 pm.

No legislative report at this time.

Pioneer Board of Directors recognized Pioneer staff for the outstanding job of presenting information at the Study Session. The Board also recognized all staff members for their grace and dedication as we move forward.

The meeting adjourned at 6:46 PM.

APPROVED THIS 22 nd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2022
Robert Clark
Susan W. Day
Dr. Susan Day
Dwayne Kipple
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Richard Lee
Dr. Stephanie Schlitz
ATTEST: Doies Bolender
Doris Bolender, Secretary to the Board of Directors