## PIONEER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 402 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date of Meeting:

January 24, 2023

Time of Meeting:

6:00 PM

Meeting Location:

Pioneer Middle School Commons & Virtual Link

**Board President:** 

Dr. Day

At 6 PM Dr. Day called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance. A quorum was established with five board members in attendance.

The following community and staff members were in attendance, Sarah Armstrong, Chris Bishop, Amy Byykkonen, Lynn Chakos, Cicely Conklin, Caroline Davenport, Jeff Davis, Dan Deacon, Katie Deacon, Kalie Enlow, Mark Gudger, Becky Guilford, Ruth Hockensmith, Aaron Leth, Jim Miller, Mike Moore, Deneen Phelan, Hendrix Rowe, Jason Rowe, Jadyn Smith, Chris Taylor, Megan Thurston, Liz Ward, Lori Watkins, Joel Williams, and Tanya Youngquist

Mr. Clark moved to approve Policy 1210 Annual Organization Meeting as written. Mr. Lee seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Election of Officers** - Mr. Clark moved to nominate Dr. Susan Day as Pioneer School Board Chairman. Mr. Lee seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Mr. Clark - Yes

Mr. Lee - Yes

Dr. Day -Yes

Dr. Schlitz – Yes

Ms. Rowe -Yes

The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Day will be Pioneer School Board President.

Dr. Schlitz moved to nominate Ms. Rowe to be Pioneer School Board Vice President. Mr. Clark seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Mr. Clark - Yes

Mr. Lee - Yes

Ms. Rowe - Yes

Dr. Schlitz - Yes

Dr. Day - Yes

The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Rowe will be Pioneer School Board Vice President.

Mr. Lee moved to nominate Mr. Clark continues to be Pioneer School Board Legislative Representative. Ms. Rowe seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken

Mr. Lee - Yes

Dr. Day - Yes

Mr. Clark - Yes

Dr. Schlitz - Yes

Ms. Rowe - Yes

The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Clark was voted to continue his role as Pioneer School Board Legislative Representative.

**Recognition of School Board Members** - Superintendent Davis, along with principals from both the Elementary and Middle Schools, recognized the Pioneer School Board of

Directors for their time, dedication, and commitment they give to public education. Board members were honored with posters, cards, and small tokens of appreciation all crafted by Pioneer students and staff

<u>Requests to Address the Board</u> – Individuals who registered to address the board shared words of appreciation and gratitude for the support and work of the Pioneer Board of Directors this past year. Individuals who spoke were Tawnya Chemers, Dan Deacon, Ruth Hockensmith, Matt Urban, and Lori Watkins.

<u>Approval of Agenda</u> – Ms. Rowe moved to approve the agenda as written. Mr. Lee seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>Consent Agenda</u> – Mr. Clark moved to approve the consent agenda as posted. Ms. Rowe seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>Business Operations</u> – Fiscal Director Chris Bishop shared the December 2022 budget summary and status report in addition to revenue and expenditure charts.

<u>Student Report</u> – On behalf of the Middle School students, ASB President Rylan Abraham thanked the Pioneer Board of Directors for all their hard work this year. She then shared upcoming ASB events which include an activity night, a dance, and Pennies for Patients campaign.

**Principal Reports** – Elementary School students reached their food drive goal of 1000 food items donated during the month of December. A new afterschool band program has been started with over 30 students participating and Girls on the Run will begin in March.

While the Middle School boys' basketball season ended in December, over 35 girls are participating in the girls' basketball practice which just started. After reviewing test data and recognizing a need for an intense reading program for some students a new RTI class has been created. Staff is excited to have this type of program at the Middle School level.

**ELA/Math Presentation** – District Interventions Deneen Phelan, Caroline Davenport, Amy Byykkonen, and Elizabeth Ward shared detailed student data for grades K-8 in both English Language Arts and Math. Acknowledging there is still work to be done, the team is proud of student growth and process. The presentation ended with time for questions and answers.

<u>Superintendent Report</u> – Staff has focused on student assessments since coming back from winter break. Students continue to recover from delayed learning due to COVID. The Elementary staff continues research on a new reading program with the goal of having a new reading curriculum recommendation for the Board soon. A video produced by our Highly Capable program at the Middle School has been posted on the website. Volunteer applications continue to be accepted and it has been good to see volunteers back in the schools. With January being School Board Appreciation Month, we want to thank you for your support of our schools and our staff.

<u>Discussion Items</u> – Mr. Clark moved to approve the January 2023 Surplus List as submitted. Ms. Rowe seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Lee moved to approve Kealy Electric as the prime contractor for the project to add power to the maintenance garage. Mr. Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board shared the process for the superintendent evaluation.

<u>Board Share</u> – The Board expressed thankfulness for the posters, cards, and tokens of appreciation made by Pioneer students and staff. They shared Board goals are not achievable without the caring staff and students at Pioneer.

Ms. Rowe moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 PM. Mr. Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVED THIS 28th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2023.

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