

APPROVED

Holton USD #336
Board of Education --First Regular Meeting
Jan 11, 2010, 6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Allen Arnold, Todd Holaday, Steven Bowser, Bob Phillips, Jay Watkins, Mike Ford, Shelby Patch (arrived 8:51)

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

President Bowser called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Member Arnold and seconded by Member Holaday to approve the amended agenda of the Jan 11, 2010 regular board meeting. Motion carried, 6-0.

A motion was made by Member Watkins and seconded by Member Ford to approve the minutes of the Dec 14th, 2009 regular board meeting. Motion carried, 6-0.

A motion was made by Member Watkins and seconded by Member Ford to approve the warrant numbers 47986 through 48124 and Jan payroll as presented. Motion carried, 6-0.

COMMUNICATIONS: Dr. Karleskint stated Lisa Bohnenkemper has asked to speak to board, which will need to be during executive session.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Section 125 presentation-American Fidelity

Rod Spangler and Deanne Peel were representatives who provided a short presentation of what American Fidelity had to offer on the section 125 plans as well as enrollment process of other benefits offered by the district. Packets were left with the board to look at during their time of assessing the districts options for sections 125 plans.

2. School Improvement Updates

Kathy Cooney and Amy Haussler provided an updated power point presentation to the board on Central School Assessment results in both Math and Reading along with MAP testing and the MTSS results so far this school year.

3. PTO Activity

Sara Fox and Melissa Gilliland reported on the multiple activities that have gone on since the October board meeting. The pumpkin patch at Colorado was a success with 268 pumpkins and a lot of parent volunteers. 270 coupon books were sold with around a \$3,500 profit after expenses. The book fair was also a success with a lot of praise going to Linda Day for all of the hard work she put in. Each elementary school received around \$1,700 in free merchandise along with \$500 worth of purchased books for each school and then each room also received 1-2 books from the purchases of parents.

Paula Taylor is spearheading the Building Blocks program and it was very successful on the first leg receiving \$1,100 worth of contributions to help supplement what the PTO is doing for the schools.

The upcoming fundraiser is the chicken noodle dinner in February and also looking into PTO sponsoring some summer camps for Math/Reading/Arts/Music and Theatre.

4. State mileage rates

A motion was made by Member Phillips and seconded by Member Arnold to approve .50 cents as USD 336 reduced district mileage rate for private vehicle usage effective 1-1-10. Motion carried, 6-0.

5. Maintenance update-

a. Fencing at Elementary Schools

Fencing bids from December meeting have been withdrawn due to some conflict with personal business opportunities.

Side note that the sewer lines are frozen in one of the mobile units at Colorado and there is no way to fix until the ground thaws. They are making use of other facilities. The external doors close to Mary Porters classroom are not opening properly due to the ground freezing and expanding causing the concrete to rise.

b. CBS/camera bid

Current system cannot hold any more cameras. The parts are obsolete and expansion is limited. The bid handed out to board members is from CBS Integration, a company who works with and is compatible with the alarm system we just installed at the HS and MS. This system has the capacity to handle 64 cameras.

Board would like a little more information before moving on with this project.

Member Phillips asked Jim about the information concerning the greenhouse and a handout was presented on students and classes currently using the facility. Jim also did mention that lines were being drained to the locker room facility and that some winterization and working with the thermostats for that building are being implemented. Member Phillips also asked if any type of weatherization was done to the crack in the old gym wall. Since we can still see light he suggested some type of filler be put in the wall and around windows that need it.

c. Patio on south side of football field

Bob Phillips presented the board a packet with three options for the layout of the handicapped area at the football field. Board would like Mitch Beims to seek bids on each plan.

A motion was made by Member Ford and seconded by Member Watkins to proceed with seeking bids for patio work. Motion carried, 6-0.

6. School calendar discussion

Dr. Karleskint said he was unsure of what would come out of this Legislative session but he would like to suggest starting with a minimum of 170 student contact days for the 10-11 school year. Comments were made that it would be easier for teaching staff if the day's cut were from

the beginning or end of the school year. That would be less stopping and starting throughout the year and would be easier for planning lessons.

Board wanted to table until executive session.

7. Set date for patron meeting on budget issues (Feb 2010)

Monday, February 8th at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library

8. Extension of January 15th notification of retirement

Dr. Karleskint said if the board decided to move on the extension the HNEA would still need to vote in favor of the change for it to be acted upon.

A motion was made by Member Phillips and seconded by Member Arnold to extend the notification of retirement for the 2009-2010 school year to February 15th, 2010. Motion carried, 6-0.

President Bowser called for a 10-minute recess at 7:52.

A motion was made by Member Phillips and seconded by Member Arnold that Holton USD #336 recess to executive session at 8:02p.m. for 30 minutes returning to regular session at 8:32p.m. for the purpose of discussing:

- a. Matters pertaining to non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s). Motion carried, 6-0.

Jim Karleskint remained in executive session with the board.

Lisa and Allen Bohnenkemper entered executive session at 8:07p.m.

Lisa and Allen Bohnenkemper exited executive session at 8:30p.m.

Returned to regular session at 8:32p.m.

A motion was made by Member Holaday and seconded by Member Watkins that Holton USD #336 recess to executive session at 8:32p.m. for 15 minutes returning to regular session at 8:47p.m. for the purpose of discussing:

- a. Matters pertaining to non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s). Motion carried, 6-0.

Jim Karleskint remained in executive session with the board.

Returned to regular session at 8:47p.m.

A motion was made by Member Holaday and seconded by Member Watkins that Holton USD #336 recess to executive session at 8:50p.m. for 40 minutes returning to regular session at 9:30p.m. for the purpose of discussing:

a. Discuss negotiations. To protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract. Motion carried 6-0.

Jim Karleskint remained in executive session with the board.

Shelby Patch arrived and entered executive session at 8:51.

Returned to regular session at 9:30p.m.

A motion was made by Member Patch and seconded by Member Ford that Holton USD #336 recess to executive session at 9:30p.m. for 20 minutes returning to regular session at 9:50p.m. for the purpose of discussing:

a. Discuss negotiations. To protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract. Motion carried 7-0.

Jim Karleskint remained in executive session with the board.

Returned to regular session at 9:50p.m.

PERSONNEL:

1) New employment/Resignations

A motion was made by Member Watkins and seconded by Member Ford to approve resignations for Wendy Shoemaker; Sabetha SE Para. Motion carried, 7-0.

A motion was made by Member Patch and seconded by Member Holaday to approve termination of Lisa Bohnenkemper; HHS Fd Svc. Motion carried, 5-2(Arnold, Ford opposing).

No further action taken.

President Bowser adjourned the meeting at 9:59p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 18th - Staff Development Day

February 15th - Board of Education Meeting

Minutes as recorded by:

Dee Folk

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