Plentywood School District #20
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Rob Pedersen, Superintendent

Plentywood School Board of Trustees Agenda
Regular Meeting
Thursday, April 16th, 2020 Plentywood School Library 5:30 p.m.

Wiens called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

- Members Present: Chris Wiens, DJ Dixon and Shane Kleppen
- Members Present via electronically: Danielle Anderson and Kaela Carpenter
- Others Present: Amanda Simonson, Rob Pedersen, and Amy Buchnowski
- Visitors: Andy Alley, PEA; Kim Ferguson and Chad Thompson, Thompson & Collins

PUBLIC COMMENT

- None

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Adoption of Agenda
B. Approval of Minutes
    a. Regular Meeting March 9, 2020
    b. Special Meeting March 26, 2020
    c. Special Meeting April 3, 2020
C. Approval to Void Payroll Warrant #34049 and Claims Warrant #40946
D. Approval of Claims
E. Approval of Activity Account Balances
F. Non-Tenured Certified Staff Recommendations for 2020-2021
G. Co-Curricular Recommendations:
    a. Speech & Drama Head 2020-2021 – Blake Bolke
    b. Boys' H.S. Head BB 2020-2021 – Sara Marsh
    c. Girls' H.S. Head BB 2020-2021 – Randy Wangerin

- Kleppen **MOVED** to approve the consent agenda. Carpenter seconded. All voted aye.

CORRESPONDENCE COMMENTS

Superintendent's Report

- As attached.

K-4 Principal Report

- As attached.

5-12 Principal Report

- As attached.

Thompson & Collins – presentation

- Chad Thompson and Kim Ferguson of Thompson & Collins would like the opportunity to be our local agent on record with MUST. Discussion ensued about whether a local agent would be necessary and why the school district dropped a local agent last year. Chad Thompson and Kim Ferguson left the meeting at this point.

OLD BUSINESS

Approval of Closed Session Minutes, 03-09-2020 - Clerk Evaluation
Clerk Evaluation

- Kleppen **MOVED** to approve a favorable evaluation of clerk, Amy Buchnowski, and to offer a contract for 2020-2021. Carpenter seconded. All voted aye.

NEW BUSINESS

Student Activity Suspension

- Kleppen **MOVED** to move this agenda item to the end of the meeting after school closure discussion. Dixon seconded. All voted aye.

Montana Unified School Trust Health Insurance Renewal for 2020-2021

- Discussion about MUST renewal rates. MUST has provided two tiers to choose between. Rate changes attached. Due to the increase, the clerk has already began the process of reaching out to JPT for a quote. Decision will be made at next board meeting which option to choose or whether to switch to JPT.

Summer Feeding Program Renewal

- Kleppen **MOVED** to renew the summer feeding program this summer. Dixon seconded. All voted aye.

Marron Scholarship Application Information

- Clerk distributed packets to the trustees. Decision will be made at the May meeting.

Accreditation Status Report 2019-2020

- As attached.

H.S. English Teacher Recommendation

- Superintendent Pedersen gave his recommendation of Kimberly Olson for the high school English Teacher open position.
- Kleppen **MOVED** to offer Kimberly Olson a teaching contract for the 20-21 school year. Dixon seconded. All voted aye.

School Closure Lift Options Discussion

- Discussion ensued about the various options the district has if the governor were to lift the closure after April 24th. Options include whether to continue distance learning, fully open school and resume as normal, or a combination. The board agreed that it has to be all open or all distant learning, because it would be too difficult for teachers to do both. The board will hold a special meeting next week if needed to make an official decision if the governor does not extend the closure.

ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting was closed to the public and 7:04p.m. and the trustees went into closed session in order to protect student privacy to address agenda item "Student Activity Suspension".
- The next school board meeting will take place on Monday, May 11th 2020 at 5:30pm.

Chair

Clerk

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