POWELL BUTTE COMMUNITY CHARTER SCHOOL

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING April 15, 2021 REGULAR SESSION 7:00 PM

Board Members Present: Robbie Piehl, Sonja Peterson, Jessica Ritter, Tori Dennis, Mandee Hamrick, Ben Wolfe, Steve Holliday

Board Members Absent:Sonja Peterson, Tori Dennis

Administration/Staff Present: Jenn O'Shea, Naomi Piehl, Greta Taie

- I. Call to OrderChair Ritter called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.
- II. Flag SaluteChair Ritter led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Public Comment
 No comments
- IV. Consent Agenda

Items listed on the consent agenda were distributed to the board members in advance. It was moved by Holliday; seconded by Piehl; motion carried (5,0) to approve the consent agenda.

- A. Minutes: Board Meetings: March 18, 2021
- B. Policy JFCM Threats of Violence
- V. Financial Report

Rochelle Friend from the HDESD reported the budget is looking better than expected. The deficit is far less than originally expected. Friend gave the board three options for the staff bonus.

Ritter would like to know if there was one of the three options Friend was leaning towards?

Hamrick would like to give everyone the same bonus.

Holliday, How do you justify giving a bonus if you are in a deficit year? How to be generous but not foolish.

Piehl is abstaining from conversation, he feels it is a conflict of interest.

O'Shea feels comfortable giving bonus in May.

The salary schedule used COLA and a 2% adjustment. The board will look over the proposed budget at the next meeting.

Piehl asked Friend two financial review questions:

#4 - Have payroll reports been filed and have all payroll liabilities been paid

timely? Friend answered, yes.

10 - Have there been any changes to the accounting system or accounting policies that are significant? Friend answered no, there haven't been any.

VI. Charter Contract and Lease Agreement

Action is needed to approve the Charter Contract. The only change for the Lease Agreement is it will be year to year instead of aligning with the Charter Contract. Wolfe read changes in the Charter Contract and Lease Agreement.

Hamrick motions to approve the Charter Contract; second by Piehl; motion carried (5,0) Piehl motions to approve the Lease Agreement; second by Hamrick; motion carried (5,0)

VII. Facilities Report

PBCCS has been working with Leland from CCSD and Modern Building Systems to lease a 2 classroom mod for 2 years. CCSD is working with the same company.

Ritter - What would the mod be used for?

O'Shea - It would free up cafeteria space and community space for students. Possibilities include moving the 4th grade classroom, and using one side for specials classes. Holliday motions to approve the mod lease for 2 years; second by Hamrick; motion carried (5,0).

VIII. Student and Family Services Update

Foley has been using the Strong Kids curriculum for K-5 students. Topics include:

- January Anger and big feelings
- February Positive Thinking
- March Handling Stressors and Worries
- April- Friendship skills / Resolving Conflict
- May- Personal Goal Setting
- June Personal Reflections

Mr. Henry taught the 6th graders using the Strong Kids Unit throughout the winter. Foley has been teaching 1-2 lessons a month on the monthly virtues.

Foley has been working with students and families getting the services that they need and working closely with the SPED team.

Ritter - How do you feel about hiring a counselor this year? Foley feels great and it would give her more time to support students and teachers.

IX. Administrator's Report

- ODE has approved a modified assessment procedure, the assessment has been shortened, and students will be taking fewing assessments. 3rd - 6th grade will be taking one test instead of two or three. 7th and 8th grade will be taking two assessments.
- PBCCS is working with the district and ODE to provide summer programs for PBCCS kids.
 - Holliday Is there staff interest in summer school? Yes, we have 2 staff members that are interested. Summer school will be 3 days a week,

Tuesday-Thursday from 8:30 - 12:30. PBCCS students can also access any of the programs Crook County has to offer. CCSD does not have enough bus drivers to offer transportation.

- Student Investment Account We will be submitting an application for the next biennium fund by June 30th.
- PBCCS has hired an Educational Assistant, she is providing academic support and running small group interventions.
- The PBCCS custodian resigned, filling the position has been a challenge. PBCCS is contracting with Deschutes Janitorial Services for custodial/janitorial.
- Place-based learning: Kids are getting out in the garden and onto the back property for place-based learning. Also each class will be taking one field trip to complement their place-based learning.
- The MS staff has been working on 8th grade promotion. It will take place on Thursday, June 10.
- Teacher appreciation is the week of May 3-7th.
- Next meeting: CCSD Transportation Agreement, SIA Agreement

XI. Board Comments

Piehl - Appreciates quick hire on EA position

Holliday - Did any of the things that staff wanted happen over Spring Break? Still working on it. Many items on backorder.

Hamrick - Any prospects on getting a school counselor? The job is posted through TalentEd and the CCSD website. Applications will be reviewed mid May, and interviews to follow.

Ritter is running uncontested for the CCSD Board.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM.

Sárah Marsh, Board Executive Assistant

Jessica Ritter, Board Chair