

Regular School Board Meeting
I.S.D. 547, Parkers Prairie Public Schools
Thursday, September 10, 2015 7:00 p.m.
Elementary School Media Center

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District 547, Parkers Prairie Public Schools, was called to order by Steve Inwards at 7:01 p.m. Board members present: Steve Inwards, Ray Caauwe, Jeff Samuelson, Sheryl Myers, Judy Moeller and Glenn Cornish. Absent: Lyle Oeltjenbruns. Student Board Member present, Hunter McDaniel. Administration present: Superintendent Tom Ames, Secondary Principal Carey Johnson and Elementary Principal Steve Radtke. Also present: Jennifer Marquardt, Karen Amundson, Roger Rewitzer, Michael Zimmerman, Noah Carruth, Cole Story, Alexander Lagarde, Noah Riede, and Daniel Zimmerman.

A motion was made by Cornish, seconded by Caauwe and carried, to approve the agenda.

A motion was made by Myers, seconded by Samuelson and carried, to approve the minutes from the August regular board meeting.

A motion was made by Cornish, seconded by Myers and carried, to approve Hand Payable checks totaling \$21,610.06; Wire transfers totaling \$104,985.12; Board Payable I checks totaling \$111,087.67; and Board Payable II checks totaling \$25,728.42.

Superintendent Report:

- Linda Bates has resigned as speech coach and Tammie Vorderbruggen resigned as a paraprofessional.
- **Principal Reports:**
 - Back to school night at the elementary was very well attended.
 - The Title I program was explained about going from Schoolwide to Targeted.
 - The elementary field trip proposals were presented. A motion was made by Caauwe, seconded by Myers and carried to approve the elementary field trips.
 - The high school is off to a great start and the certified staff is reading *Mindsets in the Classroom* as a group.
 - Homecoming is next week.
 - The high school field trips and fund raisers were presented. A motion was made by Caauwe, seconded by Myers and carried to approve the high school field trips and fund raisers.
- Enrollment for elementary and high school is up from last year by about 35 students.
- Concurrent enrollment may be threatened because of proposed new credentialing requirements for teachers.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business

- A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT DONATIONS was introduced by member Moeller, seconded by Cornish and passed unanimously.
WHEREAS, the District 547 School Board encourages the support of the district's educational programs through the funding and support of grant opportunities and donations that meet the goals and objectives of the school district;
WHEREAS, the school district will control and maintain all grants and donations to ensure that the interests of all students are met;

WHEREAS, the grants and donations listed below have been reviewed and approved by the administration of School District 547;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 547, State of Minnesota, to accept the following donations:

- **Arvig Communications - \$150 in support of the Elementary Playground Project.**
 - **Olson and Sons - \$250 for the Softball Field Renovation Project.**
 - **Iverson Insurance Agency - \$500 for the Softball Field Renovation Project.**
 - **Bob's Concrete Pumping, Inc. - \$2,000 for the Softball Field Renovation Project.**
 - **Andrew Steidl - \$250 for the Softball Field Renovation Project.**
 - **Parkers Prairie Lions Club-Fall Festival Account - \$500 for the 8th Grade Science Trip and \$500 for the Marching Band.**
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- **A motion was made by Myers, seconded by Samuelson and carried, to adopt and certify the Proposed 2015 Payable 2016 Property Tax Levy for the maximum amount.**
 - **A motion was made by Moeller, seconded by Myers and carried, to approve hiring Rodney Weibye as a custodian.**
 - **A motion was made by Myers, seconded by Moeller and carried, to approve hiring Emily Arens as a paraprofessional.**
 - **A motion was made by Myers seconded by Cornish and carried, to approve hiring Susan Lyman as a 7th grade computer teacher and a paraprofessional. She is not a MN licensed teacher but would be considered a community expert. Seeking approval from MN Department of Education.**
 - **A motion was made by Myers, seconded by Moeller and carried, to approve hiring Michelle Olson as a paraprofessional.**
 - **A motion was made by Caauwe, seconded by Cornish and carried, to approve the Student Teaching Agreement with Southwest MN State University for the term July 1, 2015-June 30, 2018.**
 - **A motion was made by Myers, seconded by Cornish and carried, to approve the Online College in the High School Program with Alexandria Technical College.**
 - **A motion was made by Cornish seconded by Myers and carried, to approve the contract with Edmentum for Plato Courseware, 5 licenses for FY 2016.**

A motion was made by Samuelson seconded by Caauwe and carried, to adjourn at 7:48 p.m.

Judith A. Moeller, Clerk

Karen Amundson, Recorder