

Regular School Board Meeting  
I.S.D. 547, Parkers Prairie Public Schools  
Thursday, December 8, 2016 7:00 p.m.  
Parkers Prairie High 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 7:26 p.m. following the Truth in Taxation meeting. Board members present: Steve Inwards, Lyle Oeltjenbruns, Sheryl Myers, Judy Moeller, and Glenn Cornish. Absent: Ray Caauwe and Jeff Samuelson. Student Board Members present: none. Administration present: Superintendent Tom Ames, Secondary Principal Carey Johnson and Elementary Principal Steve Radtke. Also present: Jennifer Marquardt, Karen Amundson and Scott Wagner.

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

A motion was made by Myers, seconded by Oeltjenbruns and carried, to approve the minutes from the November regular board meeting. A motion was made by Cornish, seconded by Myers and carried, to approve the minutes from the November 17<sup>th</sup> special board meeting.

A motion was made by Cornish seconded by Moeller and carried, to approve Hand Payable checks totaling \$80,661.26; Wire transfers totaling \$159,904.92; Board Payable I checks totaling \$39,003.53; and Board Payable II checks totaling \$90,600.41.

**Superintendent Report:**

- A handout was given on Minnesota demographic trends.
- **Principal Reports:**
  - Thank you to Laurie Koep for organizing the Elementary Spelling Bee. This year approximately 40 students participated, compared with 15 from last year. Ten students will advance to the District Bee on January 11<sup>th</sup>. Justin Koehn won the competition in eight rounds.
  - Thank you to Melisa Brever and Derek Denny for writing a grant for a PreK-3 alignment project. We received a check in the amount of \$1,962 from the West Central Initiative Fund.
  - The elementary was host to two musicians from France on December 2nd.
  - Thank you to the Panther Parents for the Fall Sports celebration.
  - Congratulations to Faith Alberts who recently won the Geography Bee.
  - High School scheduling has begun for next year and a curriculum meeting is requested for January or February after committee assignments have been established.
- The latest bond and interest rates were shared and how rates can affect the school.
- A report on the MREA Conference was presented.

Unfinished Business: None

**New Business:**

- A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT DONATIONS was introduced by member Myers, 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:

- Michael Troy-\$100 to the high school drama department.
- A motion was made by Oeltjenbruns, seconded by Moeller, and carried, to certify the final levy for 2016 Payable 2017 as follows:

General Ed	\$ 759,651.05
Community Service	\$ 37,624.93
Debt Service	<u>\$ 303,463.94</u>
Total	\$1,100,739.92

- A motion was made by Oeltjenbruns, seconded by Moeller and carried, to approve the World's Best Workforce Report as presented by Principal Steve Radtke.
- A motion was made by Cornish, seconded by Oeltjenbruns and carried, to reschedule the January 2017 meeting to Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at noon, due to the MSBA conference conflict.
- A motion was made by Myers, seconded by Cornish and carried, to approve hiring Paige Entzi as a long-term substitute Spanish teacher for Katie Heidelberger. Approximate dates are end of January through March.
- A motion was made by Moeller, seconded by Myers and carried, to approve hiring Michelle Olson as a 2017 prom advisor. She will be assisting the junior class advisors.
- A motion was made by Oeltjenbruns, seconded by Myers and carried, to approve hiring Carrie Price as a preschool paraprofessional.
- A motion was made by Moeller, seconded by Oeltjenbruns and carried, to approve hiring Melissa Koep as a Panther Kids Club childcare provider, Monday-Friday from 3:00-6:00, and a high school paraprofessional for one hour per day.
- A motion was made by Cornish, seconded by Myers and carried, to approve hiring Summer Dobratz as a Panther Kids Club childcare provider after school on Thursdays & Fridays.
- A motion was made by Oeltjenbruns, seconded by Myers and carried, to approve the updated 2016-2017 Budget as follows:

	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expense</u>
General	\$6,576,471	\$6,510,630
Food Service	\$ 278,690	\$ 285,256
Community Education	\$ 154,747	\$ 140,828
Debt Service	<u>\$ 309,426</u>	<u>\$ 313,948</u>
Totals	\$7,319,334	\$7,250,662

- A motion was made by Moeller, seconded by Cornish and carried, to approve the medical leave request of Beth Welch, beginning February 27, for approximately 6-8 weeks.
- A motion was made by Myers, seconded by Cornish and carried, to accept the resignation of Kim Berns as assistant speech coach.
- A motion was made by Oeltjenbruns, seconded by Cornish and carried, to approve additional fund-raisers for prom, as approved by Principal Johnson.
- An update was given by Inwards regarding natural gas. A motion was made by Oeltjenbruns, seconded by Myers and carried, to continue the research of natural gas for the school buildings.
- A motion was made by Myers, seconded by Cornish and carried, to approve the Close Up trip to Washington DC for May 7-12, 2017. There are six students signed up and chaperones will be Kirk and Karen Lee.

A motion was made by Oeltjenbruns, seconded by Cornish and carried, to adjourn at 8:50 p.m.

Judith A. Moeller, Clerk

Karen Amundson, Recorder