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**HOMER COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MEETING OF OCTOBER 17, 2022, MEDIA CENTER  
MINUTES**

**6:00 REGULAR MEETING**

**Call to Order** – Pledge of Allegiance – Roll Call – President Gary Tompkins called to order the regular meeting of the Homer Community School District Board of Education on October 17, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Media Center.

**Members Present:** President Gary Tompkins, Vice-President Kimberly Willis, Secretary Isabell Nazar, Treasurer Catherine Yates, and Trustee Chad Rocco.

**Members Absent:** Trustee Josh McCullough and Trustee Tamara Winchell.

**Others Present:** Superintendent Mike Leskowich, Administrative Assistant Tammy Tackett, Business Manager Amanda Croad, Middle School Principal Sallie Wilson, High School Principal Cohen Sangster, Director of Instructional Services Shannon Shepherd and Maintenance Nate Huff.

**Request to Approve Agenda:** Catherine Yates moved, and Kimberly Willis supported the motion to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

**Student of the Month Recognition:** High School Principal Cohen Sangster and Middle School Principal recognized students from September and October.

**Public Voice:** None.

**Student Council Report:** Superintendent Mike Leskowich shared a report presented by Tracey Lorraine. He spoke about how successful this year's Homecoming events were. He stated that the student council was looking into a creating a community project this year and the different possibilities for potential future dances.

**Administrative Reports:** High School Principal Cohen Sangster shared that the high school building is planning to start up the Trojan Learning Lab again and spoke about attendance for the fall conferences. Middle School Principal Sallie Wilson also shared the attendance rate for the fall conferences as well as the recent success of the middle school tutoring program led by Rebecca Leskowich. Director of Instructional Services Shannon Shepherd state that she is beginning to evaluate the NWEA and MSTEP data to identify gaps and goals. She also has been discussing with staff the needs for potential upcoming grants. Elementary Principal Heather Cahill announced that the participation for the portable dentist doubled this year in comparison of last year. She also stated that the elementary had a 87% rate for fall conferences. Mr.

Leskowich spoke on behalf of the Athletic Director, giving updates with current fall sports season.

**Superintendent's Report:** Superintendent Mike Leskowich gave an update on the track and the new bus replacement.

**Board Communications:** Superintendent Leskowich announced the current count number from count day, an update on the audit, and that he is researching preschool options.

**Committee Report:** Mr. Leskowich announced that the Finance Committee met on October 11<sup>th</sup>. The next Finance Committee meeting will be held on November 15<sup>th</sup>. The Policy Committee met on October 6<sup>th</sup> to review the NEOLA fall updates.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- Approval of minutes and corrections for September 28, 2022 Regular Meeting.
- Acceptance of financial reports, committee reports and committee minutes.
- Approval of total district payments for September 2022 in the amount of \$987,020.81
- Employment – None

Kimberly Willis moved, and Catherine Yates supported the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- Superintendent announced that the district is currently at 896 FTE, and had budgeted for 900 students.
- Director of Instructional Services, Shannon Shepherd presented information pertaining to 98c Learning Loss Grant.
- Mr. Leskowich shared that we plan to dispense of the first reading for the NEOLA fall update at next month's Board of Education meeting, after seeking clarification on a few policies.

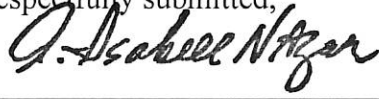
### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- A. Fall Grab & Go - Oct. 22nd @ 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.
- B. Middle School Activity Night @ Oct 25th from 4:30-6:00 p.m.
- C. Flu Clinic - Oct 26th 11:00 a.m. @ 1:00 p.m. (Middle School Gym)
- D. Elementary Halloween Parade - Oct. 28th @ 2:00 p.m.
- E. Fall Drama Play – Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.
- F. Senior Night - Nov. 2nd @ 6:00 p.m.

The regular Board of Education Meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

The regular Board of Education meeting will be held on Monday, November 21, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Media Center.

Respectfully submitted,



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Isabell Nazar, Secretary



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Tammy Tackett, Recording Secretary