

Maple School District

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BOARD MINUTES

November 9, 2023
Thursday, 4:30 P.M.
STEM Lab

Regular Board Meeting

A. The meeting was called to order at 4:30pm by President Randy Bloemhof.

Members Present: Randy Bloemhof, Joel Ackerknecht, Tyler Rogers

Others present: **Bryan Easter, Superintendent**
Angelica Fernandez, Administrative Assistant
Christy Nelson - Principal
HomeEc Teacher Ms. Munoz and students

B. The flag was saluted - **Led By HomeEc**

C. CORRESPONDENCE, HEARINGS, DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Maple Culinary Elective Class - **HomeEc group introduced themselves to the board. In today's board meeting Homeec presented the board with some appetizers. Tuscan mushrooms, green olives, parmesan cheese, scallions olive oil, fresh basil. Meat balls, skewers. Mrs. Munoz, the HomeEc teacher, led our students in the presentation of appetizers.**
2. Universal Pre-K building project with PBK - **Michael Shepherd presents the board with the UPK project. It is scheduled to finish on the 16th of the month. The building itself has not been approved yet. A drawing was presented to the board along with a slideshow of pictures. Based on my meeting with Bryan we are going to push out the building to add grass. Our site work is this triangle area (picture on board). The fence is going to be iron. Randy is asking that what is presented to DSA can still change? Michael said they can still modify. Randy asked what is going to change? Bryan said it is going to be extended to add 10 ft of concrete allowing for a bench to eat and the rest of the area is grass. Joel is asking if the existing fence will be removed to allow for those areas to extend? Yes, per Bryan. Randy is asking what is the plan for the future? Will TK/K always stay there? Bryan said yes they will always remain there, they need to be together. Shade structure and playground to enhance the area and those will be additions that will come after. John Campbell and teachers have been part of this planning. Their feedback is important. Joel - After DSA approves what is the timeline? Michael potentially said before thanksgiving or after then take it to the engineer to get comments to get it approved and submit it back it can take up to 3-4 weeks to review**

and potentially an approval before the new year. The PC needs to be approved before we can move forward. We are planning to open the classroom by August. We will hit that phase in May. We will have plenty of time to get the room ready. Michael said he can bring your concerns to civil engineering. A couple of additions (sinks, urinal for boys, sink outside, room that we added is a custodial closet so the staff restroom can be accessible. Exterior waterfall and exterior outlets.

3. Maple School Wide Goals - Christy reports to the board what our goals are for this year. We had some posters made for our goals that will go in every classroom and these goals were made at our "ALL" staff meeting. The poster shares all goals and percentages we would like to increase on. We have expectations for how we behave on campus. Some of the questions were worded a little hard for some grades to understand but 3rd-8th took this survey. Randy asked what CAASPP stands for? "The California Assessment of Student Performance" It is our end of the year state testing. The news is coming out to Maple, Lost Hills, Semitropic to interview about the growth that the consortium team had. Maple did score pretty high. We are working hard towards growth this year and with Christy leading the 95% intervention program is going to make a huge difference. It is great to be highlighted and our news mailing letter will be going out soon. Katie Gallagher was rejoicing in the hallway because there was growth in her classroom so we are excited to see where it takes our kids. They are growing their skills in ways they weren't used to. They will present in December.

D. COMMUNITY COMMENT: **No public comment**

E. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD - **N/A**

Student names from the Maple School District of Choice applications were drawn and placed on the list accordingly - Joel believes because of CAASPP scores and the success we have had is why we have parents wanting their students to attend Maple.

G. REPORTS

1. Principal, Christy Nelson
 - a. Discipline: 1 - **We had one suspension for physical aggression.**
 - b. Reading Intervention Update - **Christy shared in Maple goals.**
2. Superintendent, Bryan Easter
 - a. Attendance Enrollment: 288 - **Our enrollment is at 289**
 - b. Foundation Update - **Planning to start planning our spring fundraiser. Our mailer will be going out that will have highlights of Maple School.**
 - c. Annual Organizational Board Meeting: December 14th, 2023 - **Randy will step down as president. Bryan also shared he was invited to be a part of the SSDA workshop. He will be representing small school districts. Legislative action will take place and small districts will get together and have a production to show the legislators. 18 billion came in, we are 15 billion off. CA is not in the same phase to avoid a recession.**

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider approval of the October MIDA, MIDB & EOM payrolls totaling \$222,906.49

Motion Ackerknecht Second Rogers Ayes 3 Naves Abstain

2. Consider approval of commercial warrant batches 11 & 12 for the 2023-24 school year totaling \$100,750.20

Motion Ackerknecht Second Rogers Ayes 3 Naves _____ Abstain _____

3. Consider approval of updated Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5117 (Second Reading)

Motion Ackerknecht Second Rogers Ayes 3 Naves _____ Abstain _____

4. Consider approval of the lease contract with “Mobil Mini” for the 3 year lease of a portable classroom.

Motion Rogers Second Ackerknecht Ayes 3 Naves _____ Abstain _____

5. Discussion Regarding Interfund Transfers - **Bryan was able to meet with Joel. Our fiscal representative has changed and it's now Griselda she has been great to work with and communicates, presents and just tells the story of our funds. We have a reserve Fund 17 set aside for deferrals and emergencies. Fund 40 is a capital fund for facilities. We will come back in December and discuss how this fund will be spent. When you spend them separately you are able to tell the story more clearly. I believe our staff understands our plan and what we are wanting to do on our campus. At our December meeting if the board feels comfortable we will have 2 separate resolutions for each fund 17 & 40 to make the transfer of funds. We have 3.35 months of reserves. We need to have 5% in the general fund. Joel on fund 40 we have an idea of what the facilities will cost and he likes the idea of having the funds not restricted but allocated for what we want to use it for and give comfort to our staff. He approves of this approach. Bryan's biggest worry is how do you make a budget for next year when they are running behind.**

6. Discussion and first reading of Administrative Regulation 3350 “Travel Expenses” - **We went straight to the IRS for guidance on our AR.**

I. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion Ackerknecht Second Rogers Ayes 3 Naves _____ Abstain _____

1. Agreement with KCSOS #24-65454
2. Surplus of Maple Elementary School Items to authorize sale, donation or disposal of items

J. MINUTES

1. Minutes of the October 12, 2023 Regular Board Meeting
2. Minutes of the October 19, 2023 Special Board Meeting

Motion Rogers Second Ackerknecht Ayes 3 Naves _____ Abstain _____

K. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Time: 5:32pm

Motion Rogers Second Ackerknecht Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

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