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Board Minutes

March 14, 2024
Thursday, 4:00 P.M.
STEM Lab

Regular Board Meeting

A. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by President Joel Akerknecht.

Members Present: Joel Ackerknecht, Tyler Rogers, Randy Bloemhof
Others present: **Bryan Easter, Superintendent**
Angelica Fernandez, Administrative Assistant
Christy Nelson - Principal
John Campbell - MOT Director
Emerald Gilbert - Music Instructor

B. The flag was saluted - **Led by Ezra Rodriguez**

C. CORRESPONDENCE, HEARINGS, DELEGATIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS

Maple Music Elective Presentation - Ms. Nelson presents Maple's music elective class with Mrs. Gilbert.

Mrs. Gilbert shares the success and quick learning Maple students have done in her music class. Ezra Rodriguez, Olive Poettgen & Abigail shared keynotes of their favorite songs on the keyboard.

D. COMMUNITY COMMENT- Jill McCurdy and Vanessa Ruiz parents of Maple School students addressed the board with some concerns and incidents about bullying that have occurred on and off campus. They both shared the experiences that their children have encountered from a certain student or students. Parent's main concern is that they are not being heard or nothing is being done to help and ensure the safety of our students. The video that surfaced on social media on Feb 14th was disturbing and shocking.

Joel Ackerknecht shared with our parents about the anonymous reporting tool online where students or families can share any bullying anonymously. He also thanked the parents for sharing their concerns and comments.

Student names from the Maple School District of Choice applications were drawn and placed on the list accordingly

E. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD - Joel Ackerknecht shared his experience from the SSDA conference with Mr. Easter. He shared that It was nice to see small and big districts sharing the same concerns and issues they are experiencing. "It made me feel like we are not alone". Hel continued to share about the keynote speaker Ron Clark his

philosophy and teaching are phenomenal. Overall a great experience.

F. REPORTS

1. John Campbell - MOT - Mr. Campbell shared Maple has a bus in the shop and it might need a new motor. He will be getting a few estimates. MOT will be turning water on next week and spraying during spring break.

2. Christy Nelson - Principal

-Student Behavior Updates - Ms. Nelson shares that Maple has had a few multiple-day suspensions and is taking extra precautions. We have more yard aides out in the yard, yard aides monitoring the restrooms and reminding students to use them during the break. No backpacks are allowed in the restroom. Maple has mentor services going on in the morning and checking in with students. We have our anonymous reporting and that can be found on our website for our students and families. There has been increased accountability with cellphones and making sure our students have those in the yonder pouches. Over all Maple is working hard to resolve some issues and we are hoping that the community grant for a behavior specialist will be granted. That would be super helpful.

-Aeries Conference Recap - Ms. Nelson shares that she attended the Aeries conference and gained a lot of knowledge and useful information.

3. Superintendent - Bryan Easter - Mr. Easter shares that first and foremost he is grateful to our parents who have showed up today and appreciated their comfort in sharing at the meeting. Mr. Easter continues to share with the board about:

-Attendance Enrollment: 288 - We lost a student but recently gained one.

-Maple Instructional Minutes Update

-CA State Budget Update - There have been constant updates to our CA budget. Layoffs are happening all across the state. Maple is staying hopeful for the 1.2 million with the Community Grant that specializes in those services we hope to receive.

-SISC SEVCP Information - A lot of schools are taking advantage of this \$100,000 litigation CO-OP coverage for small school districts. It will cost \$2125.00 annually.

-SB 897 District of Choice Legislative Update - Every five years this has to be renewed, but legislative changes want it to be more permanent. I will keep you posted when it does.

-Tradition of Excellence Foundation Update - Planning our fundraiser event. Ticket sales are taken off. We have a lot of historic families that will be there.

-Legislative Action Week Information - Mr. Easter has had the opportunity to speak and advocate for our small school district community with some legislative officers.

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider approval of the FEBRUARY MIDA, MIDB & EOM payrolls totaling \$228,873.81

Motion Rogers Second Bloemhof Ayes 3 Naves _____ Abstain _____

2. Consider approval of commercial warrant batch #19, & 20 for the 2023-24 school year totaling \$42,671.17

Motion Bloemhof Second Rogers Ayes 3 Naves _____ Abstain _____

3. Consider approval of 2023-2024 Second Interim Budget Report

Motion Rogers Second Bloemhof Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

4. Consider approval of the LPS Certified Public Accountants renewal agreement.

Motion Ackerknecht Second Rogers Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

5. Consider approval of the PBK Remodel Contract "Library Space".

Motion Rogers Second Ackerknecht Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

6. Consider approval of the 2023-2024 Transportation Safety Plan

Motion Bloemhof Second Rogers Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

7. Consider approval of CUPCCA Updated list of qualified contractors for 2024

Motion Rogers Second Ackerknecht Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

8. Discussion of updated Board Policies and Administrative Regulations (First Reading)

- a. BP 5116.2 - Involuntary Student Transfer
- b. BP/AR 5131.2 - Bullying
- c. AR 5141.21 - Administrative Regulation

H. MINUTES

1. Minutes of February 8, 2024, Regular Board Meeting

Motion Rogers Second Ackerknecht Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

I. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Time: 4:49 PM

Motion Rogers Second Ackerknecht Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

1. ***Personnel list-Public employee appointment, public employee discipline/dismissal/release, and other employee matters.***
 - a. Certificated
 - b. Classified
2. ***Pupil Personnel-Student suspension/other disciplinary action, and confidential student matters***

J. ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION/RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

Time: 5:18 pm

Motion Ackerknecht Second Rogers Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____

1. Report of actions taken in closed session

K. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Time: 5:18 pm

Motion Ackerknecht Second Rogers Ayes 3 Nays _____ Abstain _____