

PAPILLION LA VISTA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT #27
Board of Education Proceedings
September 23, 2024

The Board of Education of the School District of Papillion La Vista, in the County of Sarpy, in the State of Nebraska, met in open and public session following the Tax Request Hearing at 6:13 p.m., Monday, September 23, 2024. The meeting was held at the Papillion La Vista Community Schools Administration Office, 420 South Washington Street, Papillion, Nebraska.

Notice of the meeting was provided in advance by publication in the *Sarpy Times*, September 18, 2024. Notice of the meeting was simultaneously given to all members of the Board of Education. Their acknowledgment of receipt of the agenda is maintained at the Papillion La Vista Community Schools Administration Office. The proceedings, hereafter shown, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Call to Order

Board President Marcus Madler called the meeting to order and publicly stated a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Law is posted at the entrance to the Board Room. Mr. Madler led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken. Board members present were: Mr. Marcus Madler, Ms. SuAnn Witt, Mr. Brian Lodes, Ms. Lisa Wood, Ms. Valerie Fisher, and Mr. Skip Bailey.

Military Advisory

Colonel Patrick J. Kolesiak shared the monthly Offutt Air Force Base updates. Colonel Kolesiak thanked the district for their continued partnership with the families at Offutt. On October 2 the School Liaisons will provide a report on last year's concerns. On November 5 the base will hold a virtual school workshop to help families transition to a new school. The Impact Aid Requests are due this time of year from parents. The Colonel asked that if the forms haven't been returned to please do so.

Presentation

Dr. Tammy Voisin, Director of Special Services, and Dr. Deb Anderson, Mental Health Liaison, provided an update on the Multi-Tiered Systems of Behavior Support at PLCS. They provided proactive strategies and different support strategies that the Behavior Coaches, Social Workers, Counselors, Mental Health Practitioner's, Special Educator's, and School Psychologist's provide. Dr. Voisin and Dr. Anderson explained the Essential Core Practices, Tier 1, Tier 2, and Tier 3 strategies, and school-wide and class-wide expectations.

Communication

No Public testifiers testified.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Rikli provided a report of highlights and activities he has attended this past month. Dr. Rikli thanked the community for attending the meeting and the community members that are watching the meeting on YouTube. The district is approaching the end of the first quarter and at the halfway point for Outdoor Education. Both the high schools have celebrated their Homecomings. Dr. Rikli has began hosting the Advisory Meetings. The Student Advisory meeting was last week. The Certified, Classified, and the Business/Elected will be held this week.

Dr. Rikli traveled to Scottsbluff to attend Commissioner Maher’s Superintendent Advisory Meeting. The meeting was attended by 15 Superintendents from various school districts. Discussion included a variety of state initiatives.

Dr. Villarreal has started the “Moments That Matter.” The first staff member recognized was Ms. Amy Stock, Kindergarten teacher at Ashbury.

Prairie Queen has been recognized for the Elementary Unified Champion Building. This is the third building for the district to be recognized by the US Special Olympics Committee.

Board Reports

Mr. Lodes attended a Liaison Lunch at Ashbury.

Mr. Bailey welcomed the districts HAL students at UNO. He presented the Aviation program and encouraged the students to sit in the simulators to experience flying an airplane.

Mr. Madler attended the Sarpy County Budget Hearing last week.

Committee Reports

- Building & Grounds & Finance: Mr. Lodes reported the committee had not met.
- HR & Student Services Committee: Ms. Witt reported the committee had met. Agenda items discussed were the Policy 4143 Temporary Retirement, Option Enrollment, and the upcoming negotiations.
- Curriculum and Instruction Committee: Ms. Fisher reported the committee had not met.

Action Items

A motion was made by Ms. Fisher and seconded by Mr. Bailey to approve the Action by Consent Items: The meeting agenda, finance, out of state travel, personnel, Minutes from the Budget Hearing, Board Retreat, and the Board Meeting of September 9, 2024, items as presented. There were no comments from the Board or audience. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Fisher, Witt, Bailey, Wood, Lodes, and Madler. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Lodes and seconded by Ms. Wood to approve the adoption of the budget for 2024-25 through the attached Budget Resolution and State Budget Forms 2024-25 as presented. There were no comments from the Board or audience. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Witt, Bailey, Wood, Lodes, Madler, and Fisher. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Ms. Witt and seconded by Ms. Fisher to approve the total of up to 15 applications for the 2024/25 school year for early retirement. There were no comments from the Board or audience. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Bailey, Wood, Lodes, Madler, Fisher, and Witt. Nays: None. The motion carried.

Discussion/Information Items

Dr. Rikli shared the five goals that the Board discussed during the Board Retreat in September. These goals serve as the foundation for Dr. Rikli’s annual Superintendent evaluation by the Board of Education during the 2024-25 school year. Dr. Rikli typically provides the Board a mid-year update on his progress in November or December. The Board will be presented with a final summary of his progress at the conclusion of the 2024-25 school year in May. The five goals are: 1. Re-start the District Strategic Planning Process, 2. Develop Communication & Engagement strategies for district staff and resident, 3. Implement enhanced Curriculum, Instruction, and Technology priorities, 4. Expand District staff recruitment, retention, and succession planning strategies, and 5. Implement plan for bond facility and safety projects.

Mr. Brett Richards, Assistant Superintendent of Business, shared the remaining schools that need an irrigation system. The district has worked with REGA Engineering to develop designs for each of the remaining four

elementary schools needing irrigation: Golden Hills, Patriot, Portal, and Walnut Creek Elementary Schools. Golden Hills will be paid out of the Building Fund and the other three schools will be paid out of the 2023 Bond.

Dr. Steele and Dr. Meyers shared with the Board the Option Enrollment Resolution. Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. 79-238, this resolution establishes buildings that will be declared closed to option enrollments for the 2025-26 school year. No option enrollment applications will be accepted at Ashbury Elementary and Prairie Queen Elementary. The resolution will take action at the October 14 meeting of the Board.

Dr. Christopher Villarreal, Director of Communications, provided an overview of the parent communication survey results with the Board. The survey was conducted in April/May and included 2,529 responses. The survey results will be used to develop an updated communication plan and action steps. The survey overview included information about how parents receive the information from the district, what information they want to receive, the climate of the district, specific areas of interest, the District's App, social media, and parent teacher conferences. The strengths and concerns from the survey were also shared. Dr. Villarreal shared that the district is reviewing platforms that can be taken to collect the data from parents in the future.

Board President Bailey reviewed the future board calendar.

Board President Bailey adjourned the meeting at 7:50p.m.

SuAnn Witt, Secretary
Papillion La Vista Community School District
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