



Prairie Heights Community School Corporation
Board of Education Meeting

October 16, 2023

Administration Office

MINUTES

The Prairie Heights Community Schools Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, October 16, 2023 at 6:00 pm. The meeting was held in the administration office. Those in attendance were as follows: Jeff Reed, Todd Perkins, Mike Howe, Aaron Pfafman, Heather Culler, Jesslyn Senecal, Jeremy Swander, Damon Witherspoon, Brian Wesson, Andy Arndt, Gaylon Wisel, Christine Orr, Kerri Allen, Amy Moore, Julie Nichols, Sarah Beilke, Allison Hall, Erinn Weiss, Stephanie Gorman, Casey Wilhelm, Jennifer Young, Aspen Dirr, Sarah Maas, Chris Ellert, Amber Ellert, Liz Crites, Deb Snyder, Torin Kellett, Jamie Staton, Shanan Staton, Celia Motz, Amanda Lawson, Justin Bigelow, Alecia Walter, Brent Tubbs, Sheila McCrea, Laura Allen, Chris Hammel, Kayli Savage, Caleb Heemstra, Kathy Ray, Brett Smith, Stacy Smith, Caterina Staton, Zach Decker, and Cynthia Jones. The meeting was called to order by President Todd Perkins at 6:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Public Comments: Celia Motz read a statement regarding bargaining from the Prairie Heights Educator's Association.

A motion was made by Heather Culler to approve the following consent items:

- Approval of the September 18, 2023 minutes
- Approval of the September 25, 2023 and October 10, 2023 payroll
- Approval of the September 2023 claims
- Approval of Employment
 - New Hires: Andrea Deihl – Middle School Paraprofessional, Sara Bentley – Elementary/Middle School Clinic Assistant, Amanda Lawson – Girls Varsity Assistant Track Coach, Nathalie Ley – 6th Grade Girls Basketball Coach, Trevor Hunt – Elementary School Assistant Principal, Jordan Norris – Elementary School Paraprofessional, Morgan Strater – Elementary School Paraprofessional
 - Reassignments: Brian Wesson – Prairie Heights Elementary School Assistant Principal to Prairie Heights Elementary School Principal, Jeff Hicks from 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach to JV Girls Basketball Head Coach, Chris Ellert – Elementary Music Teacher to Second Grade Teacher
 - Resignations: Kyle Long – High School Teacher and Middle School Track Coach, Mary Ditmars – Elementary Teacher, Mary Bultemeier – High School Teacher

The motion was seconded by Aaron Pfafman and approval was 5-0.

A motion was made on the following Action Items:

- Mike Howe moved to approve and adopt the 2024 Budget. Jesslyn Senecal seconded the motion and approval was 5-0
- Aaron Pfafman moved to approve and adopt the 2024 CPF Plan. Heather Culler seconded the motion and approval was 5-0.
- Jesslyn Senecal moved to approve and adopt the 2024 Bus Replacement Plan. Heather Culler seconded the motion and approval was 5-0.

Mr. Wesson, Mr. Swander, and Mr. Arndt gave building updates. Officer Wisel provided transportation updates and Dustin Holden provided maintenance updates.

Adjournment was at 6:18 pm

Documents were signed.

Executive Session I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(2)(A) Collective Bargaining immediately following the regular meeting.

Start Time: 6:30

End Time: 7:20