

NORTH RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 200
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
May 16, 2022
5:30 PM
IN THE LIBRARY

FLAG SALUTE

- I. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:** Chairman Koehn called the meeting at 5:31 PM. Board members present Chairman Debbie Koehn, Vice-Chair Lorenzo Churape, Directors Josh Greiner, and Dan Brown. Director Jim Banas was excused. Others present Superintendent Colin Nelson.
- II. VISITORS:** Zoom visitors only.
- III. CONSIDERATION OF THE AGENDA:** There were no changes to the agenda.
- IV. MINUTES:** April 18, 2022, Regular Board Meeting Minutes, Vice-Chair Churape made a motion to approve the minutes as amended and Director Dan Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- V. PUBLIC COMMENTARY:** There was no commentary.
- VI. ASB REPORT:** Superintendent Colin Nelson reported that the Jr/Sr High students will be going to Point Defiance Zoo next week.

He also reported that Prom was a huge hit and everyone looked amazing. The 2022 Prom King was Kelvin Nieves and Queen was Jesenia Churape. Mr. Nelson also thanked the staff members that helped make the 2022 prom a success-Joe & Angie Fuquay, Heather Johnson, Stacey Vance, Bridget Greiner, Casandra Doll, and Blake Beyer.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

- a. **Big Brother/ Big Sisters Program-**if anyone is interested in participating there are applications in the office or to call Heather Johnson.
- b. **FPS Fundraiser report-**Mr. Nelson asked Angie Fuquay who was on zoom to give an update. She reported that the students raised a little over \$7,000 and they still have more fundraisers and donations coming in. The FPS students have done an amazing job collecting donations. The airline expenses were over the school's credit card limit so Angie used her personal credit card to purchase 8. For the 6 remaining tickets, they will try to use the school credit card. The students and chaperones will not be on the same airline but the flight times are very close and should only be minutes apart.

CONTINUED- SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Mr. Nelson also let the board know that the district is in process of getting a new credit card because of the ongoing issues with the current credit card.

VIII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT(S):

Director Greiner stated that he had seen on the OSPI Facebook page that they have a reading program called Imagination Library. He will look into this and give an update when he knows more.

IX. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Recess Policy 6700-first reading – board members read this policy. They will look it over and discuss it at the next regular board meeting.**

Chairman Koehn would like to see if one of our teachers has or will get a PE endorsement.

Director Brown asked Mr. Nelson what the cell phone policy is. Mr. Nelson said he would look into it. Director Brown explained that he was subbing and noticed a student using their cell phone in Blake's classroom. Chairman Koehn said that the policy says it's up to the teacher's discretion.

X. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Discuss a 5.5% pay increase from the IPD/COLA received from the state for the certified and classified staff.**

Mr. Nelson shared the 2022/23 contracts and let the board know that the balance on the contracts does not include the pay increase. He also advised the board that we get the funding for this in September so the current budget report does not include the increase and it will not impact the budget. It was also noted that our fund balance at the end of the year will be \$271,000 and last month it was at \$178,000 so we are doing much better and moving in the correct direction.

Director Brown motioned to pass the 5.5% IPD/COLA pay increase for the 2022/23 school year and Chairman Koehn seconded the motion. A roll call was called-Director Brown-I, Chairman Koehn-I, Director Greiner-abstain, and Vice-Chair Churape-Nay (just for fun). The motion passed 2 to 1.

- B. Board policy- 2167 Special Education First Reading-the board agreed to look this over at the next regular board meeting.**

- C. Formal request from teacher Heather Johnson-Leave of Absence for the 2022/23 school year.**

Superintendent Colin Nelson read a letter from Mrs. Johnson. His recommendation is to approve her leave of absence and not fill the position. Director Greiner motioned to accept this request and Vice-Chair Churape seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- D. Approve contracts for returning Certificated Teachers.**

Chairman Koehn motioned to approve the 2022/23 certified contracts and Director Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- E. Budget Report-Superintendent Nelson explained how the ESSR funds can be coded for certified contracts for the 2022/23 school year to save on the budget. He also spoke with Pam Pratt and advised that if the district ran tight for the last month of school we would end the year with a higher balance than what is predicted in the report.**

Kari Beyer shared everything the FPS students have done to help fund their Boston trip to Internationals next month. One of the student's parents created a go-fund-me account which has been very successful. The students have also held a weekly drawing for homemade desserts donated by community members. They have called local businesses and physically went to businesses in town asking for donations. They are also planning a basketball game with staff vs. students for possibly the last week of school. The board members were very impressed with how fast they raised over \$7,000.

- XI. TRAVEL: No travel expense to report.**

- XII. PUBLIC COMMENTARY:**

Kari Beyer let the board know that there are credits a teacher needs to get a PE endorsement. She was not sure how many hours it would take or what classes would need to be done.

Bridget Greiner asked if the state track meet expense would need to be reported under Travel Expense.

Cindy Jez asked if the district could add options for the students to learn an instrument or maybe art. She remembered when her children were in school at NR and they had more opportunities. Angie Fuquay and Kari Beyer chimed in that the state now requires specific credits and because of these requirements it's more difficult to have additional electives. The district does plan to add more next fall.

- XIII. VOUCHERS: Vice-Chair Churape motioned to approve the vouchers and Director Greiner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION: To discuss personnel matters. The board went into executive session from 6:55 PM to 7:25 PM. At 7:25 PM they asked for 20 more minutes. At 7:45 PM they needed 10 more minutes and at 7:55 PM and they needed 10 more minutes. The board came out of the executive session at 8:10 PM. There was no action taken.

XV. ADJOURNMENT: Director Brown motioned to adjourn at 8:12 PM and Vice-Chair Churape seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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