

Anderson School District #41
Regular School Board Meeting
April 14, 2011

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Anderson School District #41 was held in the Science and Math Room at Anderson School, April 14, 2011 for the purpose of considering business to come before the Board of Trustees, Chair Joe Long presided.

Chairperson Joe Long called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Trustees Present Joe Long, Walt Zidack, Cynthia Bradford Lencioni, Chris Catlett, Gene Miceli

Trustees Absent

Staff Present Jeff Blessum, Superintendent, Tanya Roberts, Business Manager/Clerk

Visitors Present Bridget Ekstrom-DA Davidson, Jen Wold, David Fowler, Bozeman Public Schools Superinendent, Kirk Miller, Bozeman Public School Board of Trustees Chair, Denise Hayman.

Minutes Motion to approve the minutes from March 10, 2011.
Motion: Trustee Zidack
Seconded: Trustee Bradford-Lencioni– passed unanimously.

Motion to approve the minutes from March 24, 2011.
Motion: Trustee Bradford-Lencioni
Seconded: Trustee Zidack – passed unanimously.

Correspondence Superintendent Blessum reported that he had received notice from the Montana Department of Transportation that Anderson School would not receive additional funding from the Safe Routes to School Grant at this time.

Committee Reports

Anderson Parent Council Superintendent Blessum reported that the Anderson Parent Council had raised approximately \$10,000 at the Spring Fundraiser held on April 2, 2011.

Safety Committee Trustee Bradford-Lencioni stated that the 2011 application for a Safe Routes to School Grant, through the Montana Department of Transportation, was denied. She reported that there will be funding available through the County for signage. Their committee is working on collecting feedback from community members regarding the trail.

Facilities Committee Architect, David Fowler, presented updated plans for the proposed office remodel. He stated that the next step would be to get preliminary pricing from Contractors so the Board would know the approximate cost of the project, and could then make a decision to proceed with the project.

Wellness Committee Health Enhancement Teacher, Dan Ferguson, reported that items he was working on for this year included a bike-a-thon, and a 5K school fun run. Goals for next year included applying for a wellness grant, establishing a goal of the week program, and a walking challenge, which would have incentives for goals accomplished.

**Public Participation on
Non-Agenda Items**

Chair Joe Long reminded those in attendance that no names are to be used in the conversations and no decision can be made since any discussion is not on the agenda.

There was no comment.

**Superintendent's
Report**

Superintendent Blessum introduced Bozeman Public Schools Superintendent, Kirk Miller, and Board of Trustee Chair, Denise Hayman. Superintendent Miller presented an overview of the High School District's 2011-12 proposed budget and the impacts of a voted levy request in both the elementary and high school districts. Even with a levy approval they will be looking at making substantial cuts in both districts.

Old Business

Annual Agenda

May Agenda:
Levy Election, May 3, 2011
Election votes canvassed, certificates issued and results published
Elected Candidates complete and file oath of office
Board Re-Organization-Election of Board Officers
Set Committee Chairs for the year
Approve Certified Employee Contracts
Approve out of district applications

**New Business
Action**

Adopt Bond Resolution
Sale

Bridget Ekstrom-DA Davidson, reported that bond pricing had taken place earlier in the day and was positive, lowering the average coupon rate to 2.8% from 5.36%. The overall gross savings over the next nice years would be \$90,716.29. She stated with the board approval of the sale the closing would be April 26, 2011.

Motion to adopt the Bond Sale Resolution

Motion: Trustee Bradford-Lencioni
Seconded: Trustee Zidack - passed unanimously

**Discussion Items
Contract
Negotiations**

Contract Negotiations: Trustee Bradford-Lencioni reported that their committee had met twice with the teachers, and will work with administration as budgetary information comes in. The teachers have stated their priorities for the 2011-12 school year.

**Approval of Warrant
Report**

Motion to approve claim warrant #36804 - #36852, ACH Payments 89837-89866 and Payroll Claims Voided: #2637, #2639-#2657, Payroll Claims: #2638, #2658-#2683.

Motion: Trustee Zidack
Seconded: Trustee Catlett – passed unanimously.

Future Agenda Items Board members discussed future agenda items.

The next regular board meeting will be held Thursday, May 5, 2011, at 7 pm.

Adjournment No objection to adjournment at 8:47 p.m.

Submitted by: _____
District Clerk Board Chair Date