

Anderson School District #41
Regular School Board Meeting
February 10, 2010

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Anderson School District #41 was held in Room 7 of the Anderson Brown School, February 10, 2010 for the purpose of considering business to come before the Board of Trustees, Chair Joe Long presided.

Because of a presentation by representatives from Bozeman School District for Anderson Parent Council and interested community members, the board meeting was delayed. Chair Joe Long called the meeting to order at 7:39 p.m.

Trustees Present	Joe Long, Cynthia Bradford Lencioni, Chris Catlett, Kristi Mills, Walt Zidack
Trustee Absent	None
Staff Present	Jeff Blessum, Superintendent, Linda Svensrud, Business Manager, Charlotte Dickson, Camille Larsen
Visitors Present	Angie Hellebrandt, Dale Kountz, Melea Mortenson, Eric Coleman, Mariah Hellebrandt, Kaylee Kountz, Elizabeth Johnson
Minutes	Motion to approve the minutes from January 14, 2010. Motion: Trustee Mills Seconded: Trustee Zidack – passed unanimously.
Correspondence	No correspondence was received.
Committee Reports	
Anderson Parent Council	Elizabeth Johnson updated Board members on Parent Council activities. Snacks for testing will be provided by Anderson parents. The spring fundraiser has been moved to April 10, with a combination of live and silent auction items. Funding for teacher requests has been approved.
Safety Committee	Trustee Lencioni reported on recent safety committee activities. A letter to County Commissioners requesting a traffic study on Cottonwood Road as part of the Safe Routes to School Grant has been submitted. Superintendent Blessum thanked Trustee Lencioni for her efforts with the Safe Routes to School grant.
Facilities Committee	Trustee Zidack updated board members regarding recent facility activities. F.L. Dye will be submitting a proposal regarding their recent walk-through, and two contractors have been contacted to give bids for resurfacing the parking lot and basketball court. A contractor has looked at the elevator and will give a proposal regarding their findings. Drama storage is waiting for concrete to be poured..
Curriculum Committee	Camille Larsen presented a Curriculum Committee report to Board members. There are three areas the committee has been working on: finalizing the science curriculum for grades 4-8, math curriculum for grades 4-8, and the writing curriculum. Costs for math materials were discussed with board members.
Wellness Committee	No formal report was received.
Endowment Fund	No formal report was received.

**Public Participation on
Non-Agenda Items**

Chairperson 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.

No formal public participation was held.

**Superintendent's
Report**

Superintendent Blessum presented the attached Superintendent's Report.

Superintendent Blessum introduced Mariah Hellebrandt and Kaylee Kountz as well as Charlotte Dickson, Anderson School Counselor. Ms. Dickson and another staff member took 13 students to Montana youth days at MSU. The workshops helped students learn about service learning and leadership skills. Plans are to do this every year. Ms. Hellebrandt and Ms. Kounts reported to Board members they learned about incorporating service learning and positive behavior and ways to become school leaders.

Superintendent Blessum also reported he has met with all teachers regarding their professional development plan. The 5-year plan has been submitted to OPI. CRT tests will be held March 8 – 10.

Old Business

Review of Action Items The Action Item list was reviewed by Board members.

Annual Agenda Discussion of the annual agenda was held.

New Business

Action

Personnel

**Hire "Long Term" Guest
Paraeducators**

Discussion was held regarding hiring two par educators to fill in for current employees who will be on temporary leave.

Motion to hire Aleisa Selvig as 1.0 Paraeducator for the remainder of the 2009-10 school year and also hire Annie Smith as .475 FTE Paraeducator for the remainder of the 2009-10 school year, as needed.

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

Discussion

Contract Negotiations No formal report was received. There will be a meeting soon with teachers and the committee. The staff knows the budget will be tight for next year. A survey has been distributed to staff to find out their plans for next year.

Land Acquisition Update No formal report was received.

May School Election

School Board Vacancies There are two vacancies for the May, 2009 election.

Approval of Warrant Report

Motion to approve claim warrant #35970 - #36013, ACH Payments and Payroll Claims #1887 - #1938.

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

Future Agenda Items Board members discussed future agenda items.

The next regular board meeting will be held Thursday, March 11, 2010.

Adjournment No objection to adjournment at 8:34 p.m.

Submitted by: _____
District Clerk Board Chair Date