

B.O.E. Regular Meeting Minutes

March 7, 2022

The Board of Education of Pratt Unified School District 382 met in regular session on Monday, March 7, 2022 in room 203 in the Administrative Center at 401 S. Hamilton. President Bill Bergner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION

- Tim Barker
- Jeremy Demuth
- Chris Drake
- Michelle Ferbert
- Donna Hoener-Queal
- Jennifer Hopkins

MEMBERS PRESENT

Administration present:

- Tony Helfrich, Superintendent of Schools
- David Schmidt, Assistant Superintendent
- Steve Blankenship, Pratt High School Principal/Asst. Superintendent of CTE
- David Swank, Pratt High School Activities Director/Assistant Principal
- Ryan Creadick, Liberty Middle School Principal
- Kirsten Blankenship, Southwest Elementary School Principal
- Jason May, Southwest Elementary School Assistant Principal
- David Inslee, Maintenance Director
- Molly Swank, Technology Director

OTHERS ATTENDING

News Media:

Guests: Addison Hopkins, Addie Hoeme, Saydee Hopkins, Carson Hopkins, Kaden Barker, Eric Clarkson, Allie Hoeme, Bailey Jackson, Brett Boor, Jadyn Thompson, Taylor White, Trae Foreman, Sierra Dunlap Brecklyn Miller, Michael Dishman, Dawson Evert, Kena Sterling, Anthony Brown, Tiffany Bailey, Charlie Mandl, Ian Clarkson, Cade Clarkson, Karsyn Bailey, Emersyn Bailey, Laura Kendall and Wyatt Hopkins.

GUESTS

Jeremy Demuth moved and Michelle Ferbert seconded to amend the agenda with the addition of Stephanie Thompson under personnel and approval of the LMS out-of-state robotics trip. Action 7-0.

MOTION
APPROVE AMENDED AGENDA

Bill Bergner recognized guest Mark Fincham who recently completed 12-1/2 years of service on the USD 382 Board of Education. Mr. Fincham was presented with a gift and plaque in appreciation of his time and dedication to the district.

BOE MEMBER RECOGNITION

LMS Robotics team members Emersyn Bailey, Karsyn Bailey, Cade Clarkson, Ian Clarkson, Wyatt Hopkins, Laura Kendall and Charlie Mandl demonstrated their coding skills with a ‘dance party’ – spinning the robots and moving them forward, backwards, and opening and closing the claws. Anthony Brown, the Robotics coach, reported a total of 22-30 students participate on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 7:00 a.m. and complete challenges to vie for a spot on one of two 3 member teams that will travel to Oklahoma City for a Jr. Botball Competition. The group attended the meeting to seek approval for the out of state trip.

STUDENT PRESENTATION

Donna Hoener-Queal moved and Jennifer Hopkins seconded to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2022 regular meeting. Action 7-0.

MOTION
APPROVE MINUTES

Donna Hoener-Queal moved and Michelle Ferbert seconded to approve the payment of bills, treasurer and financial reports. Action 7-0.

MOTION
APPROVE FINAN. RPTS.

Chris Drake reported on the regular meeting held on February 21, 2022.

REPORTS
SCKSEC

Michelle Ferbert reported that Randy Watson’s resignation was rejected by the state board of Education.

GOVTL REL

David Inslee reported on:

1. the annual inspection by the fire marshal;
2. the refinishing of gym floors is scheduled for the week of July 24th;
3. the completion of the 5 year pipe inspection;
4. the fire alarm inspections that will take place during spring break, and;
5. SOPA will replace the motors in the basketball goals at PHS during spring break as well.

MAINT/FAC

David Schmidt reported:

1. on COVID Quarantine and testing;
2. on the process of reviewing PreK-8th ELA Curriculum;
3. the Crisis Team will meet to review the district’s Crisis Plan;
4. on the formation and results of the Student Attendance Review Board;
5. and reviewed the updated attendance codes.

CURRICULUM

During the Superintendent’s Report, Tony Helfrich:

1. asked Molly for a review of technology refresh options;
2. reported on the facilities committee and scheduled surveys;
3. discussed the Long Term Strategy sessions and community engagement nights scheduled for May 2nd and May 5th;
4. discussed options for bus purchases;

SUPT.

Chris Drake moved and Jeremy Demuth seconded to approve the 2022 summer school and number of personnel positions required. Action 7-0.

MOTION
APPROVE
SUMMER
SCHOOL

Kirsten Blankenship, Ryan Creadick and Steve Blankenship presented and reviewed changes to student handbooks for Southwest, Liberty and Pratt High respectively.

STUDENT
HANDBOOK
CHANGES
PRESENTED

Jeremy Demuth moved and Jennifer Hopkins seconded to approve the amended BOE policy IHFA. Action 7-0.

MOTION
APPROVE
UPDATE TO
POLICY IHFA

Jeremy Demuth moved and Chris Drake seconded to approve LMS Robotics to attend the out of state competition in Oklahoma City. Action 7-0.

MOTION
APPROVE OUT
STATE
ROBOTICS
COMPETITION

Bill Bergner moved that the board and superintendent recess into executive session at 8:39 p.m. to discuss personnel pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA and that the open meeting shall resume at 8:54 p.m. in the board room. Chris Drake seconded. Action 7-0. David Schmidt, Steve Blankenship, David Swank were invited to stay.

MOTION
EXECUTIVE
SESSION –
PERSONNEL

OPEN MEETING: 8:54 P.M.

Bill Bergner moved that the board and superintendent recess into executive session at 8:54 p.m. to discuss personnel pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA and that the open meeting shall resume at 9:04 p.m. in the board room. Jeremy Demuth seconded. Action 7-0. David Schmidt, Steve Blankenship and David Swank were invited to stay.

MOTION
EXECUTIVE
SESSION –
PERSONNEL

OPEN MEETING: 9:04 P.M.

Bill Bergner moved that the board and superintendent recess into executive session at 9:04 p.m. to discuss personnel pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA and that the open meeting shall resume at 9:14 p.m. in the board room. Chris Drake seconded. Action 7-0. David Schmidt, Steve Blankenship and David Swank were invited to stay. Steve Blankenship and David Swank exited the meeting at 9:11 p.m.

MOTION
EXECUTIVE
SESSION –
PERSONNEL

OPEN MEETING: 9:14 P.M.

Michelle Ferbert moved and Jeremy Demuth seconded to approve the personnel changes as presented. Action 7-0.

MOTION
APPROVE
PERSONNEL

Crystal Shanline	SW Title I Para	Resignation (April)
Cheyenne Slaughter	PreK Building Aide/Lunch Supv.	New Hire
Joy Schmidt	PHS Asst. Cross Country	New Assignment (22-23)
Kari Eastes	PHS Math	New Hire
Stephanie Thompson	LMS Social-Emotional Behavioral Support Coordinator	New Position (ESSER)

Jennifer Hopkins moved for adjournment at 9:21p.m. Jeremy Demuth seconded. Action 7-0.

MOTION
ADJOURN

Clerk, Board of Education #382