



The Newport Board of Education held a regular meeting on November 15, 2017 at 6:30 P.M. The meeting was held in the Board Room located at 30 W. 8th Street, Newport.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ramona Malone called the meeting to order and asked for a roll call. The following were present: Ramona Malone, Dr. Julie Smith-Morrow, Melissa Sheffel, Theresa Miller, & Matt Scott.

Also in attendance: Superintendent Kelly Middleton, other district administrators, teachers, staff and guests.

Ms. Malone asked those in attendance to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance and pause for a Moment of Reflection.

PRESENTATIONS

Lori Murray was in attendance to be recognized upon her retirement from Newport Independent Schools. Several very nice comments were read from her colleagues.

This month's alumni video featured Tom Fromme, graduate from the class of 1974. Mr. Fromme was the former Newport Police Chief and is now Newport's City Manager.

A short recess was called.

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 25, 2017 REGULAR MEETING AND NOVEMBER 8, 2017 SPECIAL MEETING

On MOTION BY SMITH-MORROW AND SECONDED BY SHEFFEL the minutes were approved as presented.

812 – MOTION CARRIED 5-0

TREASURER'S REPORT

On MOTION BY SCOTT AND SECONDED BY SMITH-MORROW the financial report was accepted and will be filed for audit.

813 – MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Before approving the bills, Mr. Turner noted that several board members had called previous to the meeting to inquire about some of the bills and other financial matters. All questions were answered satisfactorily.

On MOTION BY SHEFFEL AND SECONDED BY SMITH-MORROW the bills were approved for payment.

814 – MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Mr. Turner's report also covered:

- Credit card bills and receipts
- Administrator expense report
- Final AFR FY17
- Bond sale

STUDENT LEARNING AND SUPPORT SERVICES

Mr. Middleton's report covered:

- Principal observations currently taking place
- Lisa Rizzo – new Food Service Director
- Bullying prevention program on November 16 at NIS – Basketball Jones
- Continuing to mediate the cases filed against the district by current and former employees
- KSBA and KASS conferences
- NKCES – superintendent's continue to work on pension reform
- Pension update
- Girls' soccer team – maybe start thinking about a boys' soccer team
- CSIPs
- PLTW presentation in December
- Athletic banquet Monday, November 20 – 6:00
- Family Fun Night at NPS, November 20 – 5 to 6:30
- Facility work over the holidays – new flooring
- Paul Baker is working on a 21st Century Grant

Ms. Gilkison's report covered:

- New state platform for CSIPs – ongoing training for all administrators
- Assessment calendar
- New MAP reports
- Principals submitted MAP data reports

Kevin McCormick highlighted his report:

- TSA security audit
- Court filings
- Kelly's Kids
- Updates from various department
- Attendance at elementary school is up. Culture and relationships have turned around and student attendance continues to improve. Very few repeat truancy issues.

Tim Grayson provided the board with his written report. Dr. Smith-Morrow asked about getting curbs painted so our busses can pick up students at 6th and Patterson instead of changing the bus route.

Lisa Swanson provided the board with her written report. The department will be working on the December 1 child count; this number determines the amount of money we receive for the 2018 SY.

Lisa Rizzo submitted her Healthy School Program Assessment. Her report covered the legal requirements, district results, and next steps to develop an action plan.

Dr. Smith-Morrow asked if the results on the report are directly related to Newport. Ms. Rizzo said they are. We will continue to work on the practices not implemented or are labeled as a weakness.

FALL MAP DATA – PRINCIPAL REPORTS

MAP data was provided to the board prior to the meeting. The board had no questions.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Personnel report
2. Schematics for restrooms at NPS
3. Travel expenses for the superintendent and board members to attend the KSBA Winter Symposium December 1-2, 2017 in Louisville, KY
4. Travel expenses for the superintendent and board members to attend the NSBA conference April 7-9, 2018 in San Antonio, TX
5. Surplus items:
 - 50 Dell OptiPlex computers (model types 745,620,380, 390)
 - 50 LCD monitors
 - 6 printers
 - Assorted keyboards, mice, cables, and power cords for above equipment

The follow obsolete or out of warranty items were part of the Apple Lease trade-in that was previously authorized by the board and undergoing processing for final valuation:

- 1,043 iPads - 4th Generation
- 29 – 13" Macbook Pro
- 125 – 13" Macbook Air

Ms. Malone asked about the surplus items and Dr. Smith-Morrow had a question about the schematics for restrooms at NPS.

On MOTION BY SHEFFEL AND SECONDED BY SMITH-MORROW consent agenda items 1-5 were approved as presented.

815 – MOTION CARRIED 5-0

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None

BOARD COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On MOTION BY SMITH-MORROW AND SECONDED BY SCOTT, the board went into executive session; KRS 61.810 (k) and KRS 156.577 – discussions relating to the evaluation of the superintendent. Time: 7:40 PM

816 – MOTION CARRIED 5-0

On MOTION BY SMITH-MORROW AND SECONDED BY SCOTT the board returned to open session. Time: 9:05 PM

817 – MOTION CARRIED 5-0

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on MOTION BY SCOTT AND SECONDED BY SHEFFEL the meeting adjourned.
Time: 9:05 PM

818 - MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Chairman

Secretary