

Almira School District No. 17

March 24, 2022

School Board Meeting

6:30 Regular Board Meeting

Almira Portable Cafeteria

- PRESENT Cameron Carstensen, Todd Monson, Jesse Brunner, Ryan Peha, Lyndsey Mitchell, Dan Read, Kelsey Hoppe, Sean Matthewson, Justin Manning and Lauren Robertson.
- OPEN MEETING The Board of Directors of Almira School District met at the Cafeteria portable and the meeting was also available via ZOOM.
- CHANGES TO AGENDA Brunner made a motion to approve adding new hire recommendations to agenda under New Business. Mitchell seconded. Motion carried 4-0.
- CONSENT AGENDA The Board approved the consent agenda which included:
Minutes from February 24th, 2022
Payroll in the amount of: \$160,685.14
General Fund A/P: \$113,578.79
Capital Project Fund A/P: \$541,160.93
ASB Fund \$208.98
Brunner motioned to approve all items. Mitchell seconded. Motion 4-0.
- REPORTS
Superintendent
Mr. Read shared with the school board the results of the latest legislative session that recently adjourned. This included the allocation of nearly \$13 million for Almira as part of distressed school funding, as well as news on enrollment stabilization, additional staffing raptors for nursing, psychologists, and counselors. Read also indicated that an IPD has been established at 5.5% for salary increases and increases to material, supplies, and operational costs. Superintendent continued by listing dates to equity training that is available to board members as well as information on upcoming training and conferences he will be participating in the month of May. Read indicated that he will be proposing an increase to teacher substitute pay at the April Board meeting.
- Principal*
Principal Hoppe shared that elementary students have been in the portables for three weeks and middle school for two weeks. Ms. Hoppe shared that there have been glitches to smooth out, but overall it has been a smooth transition from their temporary classrooms to the portable campus.
3rd - 8th grade attended a play that was housed at the brick house in Coulee City, due to a power outage in Hartline where it was originally supposed to be held. Hoppe thanked Coulee-Hartline for accommodating this last minute

change. The play was sponsored in part by Columbia Basin Allied Arts and students enjoyed it.

Panel touchscreen computers have been here for several weeks for staff, but the carts just arrived this week, so those have been delivered to classrooms now and are being programmed to work. A friend of Dr. Sememti is donating warrior strong shirts for all staff and students.

Facilities Report

Manning shared an update on the portables. Some minor work has had to be done due to settling of the portables. Willscot has sent out someone to do this work as needed.

NEW BUSINESS

Redistricting - Read shared with the Board the minor updates to redistricting. There will be a resolution regarding this at the next meeting.

Date of next meeting - Mitchell made a motion to approve moving the board meeting to Monday, April 25th at 6:30 PM. Brunner seconded. Motion carried.

New Hire - Mitchell made a motion to approve the hire of Cathy Fitzgerald for open paraeducator position. Monsoon seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, Peha made a motion to adjourn at 6:49 PM. Mitchell seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Board Chair

Secretary to the Board