Brewster School District

Regular Board Meeting

February 28, 2022

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m., with Chairman Becker leading the flag salute.

Board members present: Peggy Rice, Hector Aparicio, Mario Camacho, and Maria Maldonado.

Staff present: Eric Driessen, Superintendent/Secretary to the Board; Estella Martinez, Recording Secretary; Stephanie Vassar, Business Manager; Linda Dezellem, HS Principal; Greg Austin, MS Principal; Garrett Grant Elementary Principal; Lynnette Blackburn, Special Programs Director; Jessica Garcia, ELL Coach; Heather Cochrane, MS teacher; Alicia Pulsifer, HS Band Teacher; and Jeff Dowd, HS Teacher.

Guests: Madelyn Sandoval and Mareli Arevalo

Additions & Presentations

Add:

VIII. A. Addendum – Superintendent Contract

IX. A. Rosa Orozco – Accounts Payable Specialist

Reports

Budget

Stephanie Vassar, Business Manager, reported our October through January enrollment was over reported but revised.

She stated 3.9 million was transition to Capital Projects– 5 million in the budget. She reported gate fees are down about $23,000 due to not being able to charge due to covid.

* General Fund
* Capital Project Fund
* Debt Service Fund
* ASB Fund
* Transportation Vehicle Fund

Public

None

Special Programs

Lynnette Blackburn announced the Special Education Program has a total of 111 students. Preschool started three days per week.

Mrs. Blackburn shared an information sheet regarding MTSS (Multi Tiered Systems of Support). If systems are in placed students will get what they need for SEL and academics.

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ELL – Jessica Garcia

Jessica Garcia, ELL Coach, gave an update on the status of the English Language Proficiency Test as of March they only have about 25% of students to finish.

Mrs. Garcia informed staff and board of upcoming PAC meeting to be held on March 7th at 6:30pm. The Presenters will be Stacey Okland from Okanogan County Community Coalition, Fausto Herrera and Kelcie Eddy from Family Health Centers-Behavioral Health. She made a special invitation to our board members for our last PAC meeting of the school year that will take place in April for Program evaluations.

Elementary

Garrett Grant, Elementary Principal, reported there are 48 active students enrolled in our Transitional Kindergarten classes. First week was focused on school expectations and learning routines. The 5th grade teachers collaborated with the 6th grade team for upcoming school year placements and schedules. The Missoula Children’s Theatre had been in our district for the past week, rehearsing the production ‘The Emporer’s New Clothes.’ The performance was held Saturday, February 26th at 3pm and 5pm in the MS gym.

Mr. Grant informed the board, of upcoming important dates.

* March 1st – Elementary Recognition Assembly
* March 30th – Math Competition
* March 31st – Elementary Class Pictures

High School

Todd Phillips, HS Assistant Principal, expressed his experience at the APLC Conference and thanked the board for allowing his teachers attend. The ESD has also been working with teachers and the Math curriculum.

He shared the high School had another Recognition Assembly that went well on Friday February 25th.

High School

Linda Dezellem, HS Principal shared Solution Tree Conferences on PLC and MTSS, and the ability within our district for improvements for both frameworks.

On the CTE side she wrote a grant to help pay for supplies for our Heath Science, and Anatomy/Physiology classes. She will continue to work on the CNA certification program and updating grants.

Middle School

Mr. Austin shared the middle school was successful with their “PBIS Fun Day”. This day includes arts, crafts, and Just Dance game. As an incentive for positive behavior, students can participate by earning PBIS tickets.

Mr. Austin informed they are planning on taking the 6th graders to the annual Conconully Camping Trip regarding Environmental Science. He is inviting any board/staff member to visit the Camp site during the trip.

Sports

Mr. Austin shared the numbers in students participating in spring sports have increased and sports are ready to go. As of today, 19 students signed up for baseball, 27 for softball, 46 for soccer, and 35 for track.

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Mr. Austin informed the board that he had a conversation with Rick Rizz, known as “The Voice of the Mariners,” and was offered $5,000 in additional grant monies that could be spent towards any sports programs in Brewster.

Superintendent

Eric Driessen, Superintendent, informed the board, the mask mandate will be lifted as of March 14th, 2022.

DECA Presentation

Madelyn Sandoval, President of the DECA Club, and Mareli Arevalo, Vice Presidents of the DECA Club, presented the DECA competition results held in Bellevue WA. Six students attended the DECA competition and Mareli was the only one that placed 2nd. Allowing her to move forward to the DECA State Competition. This competition has given the students a learning opportunity to develop their leadership skills.

Important Dates

* Wednesday Mar. 2 Early Release – Winter Break 11:00AM
* Thurs – Fri Mar. 3-4 No School – Winter Break
* Monday Mar. 7 PAC 6:30 PM
* Thur-Fri Mar. 24-25 Spring Conferences
* Monday Mar. 28 Board Meeting 7:00 PM

Curriculum & Instruction

None

Consent Agenda

Director Rice moved, Director Camacho seconded, to approve Consent Agenda, which included the following:

* + - 1. \*County Treasurer’s Report
      2. \*Minutes of Regular Meeting – January 24, 2022
      3. \*Payroll Check No. 336382 through Check No. 336419 Totaling $973,837.69.
      4. \*General Fund Check No. 336420 through Check No. 336500 Totaling $1,578,294.21.
      5. \*Capital Projects Fund Check No. 336501 through Check No. 336509 Totaling $974,288.91.
      6. \*ASB Check No. 336510 through Check No. 336516 Totaling $4,093.74.
      7. ASB Check No. 336387 was incorrect, and the correct Check No. is 336381.

Motion carried 5-0.

Business & Finance

Director Maldonado moved, Director Rice seconded, to approve the 2021-22 School Calendar.

* School will begin August 29th, 2022.
* Christmas break will begin with an early release on December 21st and resume on January 5th, 2023.
* Spring break - April 3rd -7th, 2023
* HS Graduation – June 9th
* MS Graduation – June 13th
* Last day of school is June 16th

Motion carried 5-0.

Overnight stay for DECA State Conference

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Director Aparicio moved, Director Maldonado seconded, to approve the overnight stay for DECA State conference.

Motion carried 5-0.

Calendar Changes

Director Aparicio moved, Director Rice seconded, to approve the 2021-22 calendar change to use May 2nd.

As the make-up day.

Motion carried 5-0.

Music Overnights

Director Aparicio moved, Director Camacho seconded, to approve the Band students to stay overnight for

the Basketball State Tournament on March 3-5th.

Motion carried 5-0.

Track Schedule

Director Rice moved, Director Maldonado seconded, to approve the 2022 track schedule as presented.

Motion carried 5-0.

Contracts

Superintendent Addendum

Director Aparicio moved, Director Camacho seconded, to approve the Superintendent Employment Contract dated for February 28, 2022 as presented.

Motion carried 5-0.

Personnel

Classified Staff

Director Aparicio moved, Director Rice seconded, to approve the classified staff as presented.

* Crystal Lopez – Para Pro
* Adina Houfmann – Sub Para Pro
* Rosa Orozco – Accounts Payable Specialist

Motion carried 5-0.

Coaches

Director Maldonado moved, Director Rice seconded, to approve the coaches as presented.

* Jason Brown – HS Track Assistant (if numbers hold)
* Leo Pastor – Soccer Volunteer Coach
* Kate Morgan – Softball Volunteer Coach

Motion carried 5-0.

Certified Staff

Director Aparicio moved, Director Rice seconded, to approve the certified staff as presented.

* Eric Driessen – Resignation of Superintendent Position
* Leo Pastor – Resignation of HS Math Teacher Position

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* Aubrey Miller – Resignation of Elementary Teacher Position
* Natalie Lemons – Resignation of Elementary Teacher Position

Motion carried 5-0.

Executive Session RCW42.30.110 – 1.g – Personnel (30 minutes)

Certified Staff

After coming out of executive session Director Aparicio made a motion to hire Lynnette Blackburn as the interim Superintendent for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion seconded by Director Camacho.

Motion carried 5-0.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

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