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1.0 Opening of Meeting: Chairperson Thorpe

The Canby School Board held its regular scheduled meeting on Monday, March 6, 2023 at 5:30 pm located at Canby High School Room 156. Board members present: Brenda Full, Angela Leppke, Brittney Kockelman, Suzanne Fairchild, Tricia Bueltel and Nathan Thorpe. Also in attendance were Superintendent Ryan Nielsen, Elementary Principal Ryan Arndt, High School Principal Dr. Robert Slaba, Canby News, and a CEA representative.

1.1 Call to Order: Chair Thorpe called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm

1.2 Roll Call:

1.3 Welcome Visitors and Guests:

1.4 Address the Board: None

1.5 Approve the Agenda: Motion by Leppke, second Bueltel, to approve the amended agenda adding item 3.2 (list property for sale), motion carried 6-0.

1.6 Donations and Gifts: None

1.7 Approval of the Minutes: Motion by Leppke, second Bueltel, to approve the minutes from 2-21-2023, motion carried 6-0.

2.0 New Business / Board Discussion:

2.1 SWWC Cyber Security: – Noah Johnson from the SWWC presented on the Cyber Security service they offer to school districts.

2.2 Administrative Reports:

2.2.1 Elementary Principal Mr. Arndt: Mr. Arndt reported parent teacher conferences will be held this week; Kindergarten and Pre-school round up is next Monday; ACT will be given tomorrow; MCA assessments will begin April 10; the 4th grade class will be traveling to Granite Falls to participate in the Agriculture in Classroom.

2.2.2 High School Principal Dr. Slaba: Dr. Slaba reported the ACT test will be given tomorrow; conferences are tomorrow night; Leppke and Fairchild will be the board representatives at graduation; he is monitoring the snow days and how that will impact the seniors last week of school; PIC will be in Canby to work with students on March 22 and 29; and the Juniors will travel to colleges on March 28th for site visits.

2.2.3 Superintendent Ryan Nielsen: Superintendent Nielsen provided a staffing update for the 23-24 school year and he also noted as they look to hire staff they hope to add staff that can add to our activity programming such as drama and other programs; he provided an update on the project and that he hopes to get contracts signed soon with the CM and Architects; and a parent contacted the district to inquire about developing a COOP with the Duel School District for gymnastics.

2.3 Legislative Update: Superintendent Nielsen provided the board with a legislative update. There are a number of bills proposed and in committees that will have a big impact on district operations, discipline, benefits and course offerings if passed.

2.4 Negotiations Committee: Superintendent Nielsen informed the board that negotiations may begin soon for the teachers, principals and paraprofessionals.

2.5 FY24 Calendar Discussion: The board reviewed two different calendars that reflect an earlier dismissal to accommodate the construction project.

2.6 SWWC Membership Agreements: The membership agreements were presented for review which will be approved at the next meeting.

2.7 Electric Bus Discussion: The board discussed the EV bus grant from the EPA. The board will make a decision to move forward or pass on the grant at the next meeting.

3.0 Board Action

3.1 Bus Garage Pressure Washer: Motion by Fairchild, second Full, to purchase a diesel heated pressure washer from Pro-Line for the bus garage, motion carried 6-0.

3.2 List House for Sale: Motion by Leppke, second Fairchild, to list the home at 304 1st St. West to be sold as is and to be moved off site, motion carried 6-0.

4.0 Communication

4.1 Facility Committee Meeting on March 8, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.

4.2 P.O.C. Committee for Building Project – Virtual – March 8, 2023 9:00 a.m.

4.3 Next Board Meeting: Monday, March 20 at 5:30 p.m.

5.0 Adjournment

5.1 Adjournment: 7:27 p.m. Motion to adjourn Leppke, second Fairchild, motion carried 6-0.

May 9, 2023