

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of
The Board of Directors of the Ogden Community School District
June 12, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Ogden Board of Education held a regular board meeting Monday, June 12, 2023 in the Middle & High School Library. Members present included Pete Bergstrom, Leda Burton, Kelly Merritt, Pete Thomsen, and Matt Van Sickle. The meeting was called to order by President Bergstrom at 6:34pm. Others present were Superintendent Pam Dodge, Board Secretary Melissa Atwell, Principals Amy Krause and Maury Ruble, and 51 guests.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Thomsen moved to approve the agenda. Burton seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

III. STUDENT ACCOLADES

Track Coach Ryan Kobliska recognized the track team on their accomplishments this year: including 4 meet wins, 5 new school records, and 13 events that qualified for state.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of minutes from the May 8 regular meeting
- B. Approval of monthly bills as presented
- C. Approval of monthly financial reports
- D. Personnel Recommendations
 - 1. New Hires
 - a) Jared Adreon, Summer Strength & Conditioning, \$2925
 - b) Jessica Paulin, MS/HS Building Secretary, \$16/hr
 - c) Candace Pegram, Instructor, \$52,670
 - d) Reed Smith, TLC MS Cohort, \$2000
 - e) Brenda Mathews, Mentor, \$1000
 - f) Michele Williams, Mentor, \$1500
 - g) Rachel Duncan, Mentor, \$1500
 - h) Michelle Kruse, Mentor, \$1000
 - i) Terri Bohr, Mentor Coordinator, \$2000
 - j) Maggie Lloyd, HS Asst Girls Track, \$3508
 - k) Jacob Craven, HS Asst Baseball, \$2925
 - l) Jessica Russell, Football Cheer, \$2179.65
 - m) Audrey Reinken, Instructor, \$49,750
 - n) Tyler Lloyd, MS Head Boys Basketball, \$2289
 - 2. Resignations
 - a) JC Fuller, HS Asst. Football
 - b) Lexus Davidson, Associate
 - 3. Modifications
 - a) Cindi Sprecher, Sharing Stipend, \$10,000
 - 4. Transfer
 - a) Reed Smith, HS Asst Boys Track to HS Head Girls Track, \$4250
 - b) Jared Adreon, HS Asst Girls Track to HS Asst Boys Track
- E. Open Enrollment In Requests
 - 1. Maykayla Alexander, Sandra Dawson, Declan Sanculi
- F. Policy Revisions
 - Second reading of policies 200.4, 210.5, 401.5R1, 407.2, 501.2, 604.6, 701.2 & 708.
- G. Fund Transfer
 - Approval of \$5000 interfund transfer from general to activity for protective equipment.
- H. Milk & Bread Bids
 - Approval of continued service from DFA-Dean Dairy for milk and Pan-O-Gold for bread.

Van Sickle moved to approve the consent agenda. Thomsen seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

V. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Public Hearing- Flexibility Fund Expenditure
President Bergstrom opened the floor for public comment on the expenditure of flexibility funds. No individuals spoke, and no written comments were received. Bergstrom closed the public hearing.
- B. Flexibility Fund Expenditure
Burton moved to approve the resolution approving expenditure of \$47,000 of flexibility fund dollars for any general fund purpose. Merritt seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
- C. Public Hearing- Flexibility Fund Expenditure
President Bergstrom opened the floor for public comment on the form of contract, plans, specifications, and estimated cost of the sewer replacement project. No individuals spoke, and no written comments were received. Bergstrom closed the public hearing.
- D. Sewer Replacement Project Plans
Thomsen moved to approve the contract documents, plans, specifications, form of contract and estimated cost for the high school sewer replacement project. Burton seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
- E. Sewer Replacement Contract
Van Sickle moved to approve the contract with Lenz Construction for \$98,685 for the sewer replacement project. Merritt seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
- F. Sharing Agreement
Merritt moved to approve an operational sharing agreement with United Community School for 20% of our Food Service Director. Thomsen seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
- G. Student Fees
Thomsen moved to approve the 2023-24 student, activity and nutrition fees. Merritt seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
- H. Policy Review
The board concluded their annual review of the 600 series. Van Sickle moved for the first and final reading of policies 606.1-607.2R1. Burton seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS, DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS

- A. The floor was opened for public comment. Doug Russo shared he likes the school and most staff but believes some teachers are indoctrinating students by sharing political beliefs. Jared Wilson followed, reiterating Russo's comments, insisting students need to be presented all sides of controversial topics. Caylon Schweibert spoke to address many of the positives in the district and implored the board to focus on how better to support and retain great teachers. Joanne Myers addressed the board to thank them and the administration for their continued support of her as a teacher. She addressed a continued attack from the public on her both personally and professionally via social media. She shared more detail of the DMACC course under scrutiny, validated she teaches within the parameters of Iowa Law and school board policies, and will continue to do what's best for all students.
- B. The board calendar was reviewed.
- C. Principal Reports
The principals both shared updates from end of the year activities and the start of summer school. They thanked Dr. Dodge for her leadership and mentorship over the last five years.
- D. Superintendent Report
Dr. Dodge continues her transitioning work with Joshua Heyer. She thanked the school board for their support in her time as Superintendent.

Pete Bergstrom concluded with a thank you from the board to Dr. Dodge for everything she has

done for the district over the last five years.

VII. ADJOURN

There was no further business to come before the board for consideration. Merritt moved to adjourn. Thomsen seconded. Motion carried 5-0. President Bergstrom adjourned the meeting at 7:12pm. Reports, documents and full text of motions, resolutions or policies considered at this meeting are on file in the Board Secretary's Office.

Pete Bergstrom, President

Melissa Atwell, Secretary