

Tonasket School District #404
“Focused on Learning, Linking Learning to Life”

School Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 22, 2023
Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
In the Boardroom

CALL TO ORDER

Jennie Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with Sharron Cox, and Ernesto Cerrillo present. Superintendent Kevin Young and secretary Anitra Atchison were also present. Also in attendance was Lilly Martin, Trisha Roach, Kristi Krieg, Kelwy El-Haj, and others in person and remotely.

FLAG SALUTE

Jennie Wilson led the flag salute at 6:31 p.m.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA - None

HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS – Yes

Clint Duchow – read a statement about concerns of parent conduct towards coaches. Urging the district and community to uphold a common goal of uplifting Tonasket Athletics.

CONSENT AGENDA

Board Action: Ernesto Cerrillo moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

REPORTS

Financial

Financial reports are linked in the agenda.

Superintendent

Kevin Young discussed a Japanese exchange teacher coming to Tonasket. She will be mostly in the middle school and housing with an elementary school staff member. It is a voluntary cultural exchange program. A brief recap of Winter sports and the board retreat on Saturday at 9 am. The 2023 Excellence in Education awards banquet will be hosted in Tonasket.

Administrator

Lilly Martin discussed the Cub Chorus Nutcracker performance. The PAW bucket in the elementary office was filled, and each grade level got a dance party in the gym as a reward. Kevin Lepley (5th grade teacher) received a recycling grant that will supply recycling bins in each building. The recycling grant money will also enable hiring someone to take the recycling to the disposal station. The elementary WEDA testing for language composition and the elementary Leadership team working on school improvement goals.

Kelwy El-Haj reported on middle school enrollment numbers. The Neon glow dance with over 140 students attending, 6 parents chaperoned, as well as staff. The TMS ASB had Valentine's fundraiser selling carnations. Middle school Knowledge Bowl has started. Mrs. El-Haj also briefly discussed the incoming Japanese exchange teacher. The challenge of 'Spring is in the air' there has been an increase in certain behaviors in students. The MS counselor has signed up for a program that focuses on building respectful relationships. The migrant meeting had over 60 families in attendance, with a presentation from the ESD Math coordinator. March 15 is the next Migrant meeting.

Trisha Roach reported on the High school enrollment numbers. Winterfest is happening the week of March 6th, with awards and a talent show. Spring sports are starting. There are 140 students on the honor role. Some recent challenges with certain student behaviors are amping up earlier than normal in March. There has been an increase in vaping and mental health breakdowns. The second round of Seniors has completed their first aid/CPR course. Mrs. Roach gave an update on the high school discovery projects.

Kristi Krieg gave a brief report on the Special Education department's collaboration between staff who are working together to set up post-secondary plans for HS students. Alisa Weddle (SPED Teacher) is taking a group of students from ages 16-21 with IEPs into the community to gain real-life experiences and SPED enrollment numbers.

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Choice High School

Chelsea Freeman presented the Big Picture Learning (BPL) program, what it is, and the differences between a traditional learning environment and the BPL environment.

POLICY UPDATES

Second Reading Policies

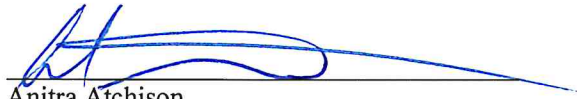
The Board discussed the second reading of policies 1220, 1225, 1610, and 3211.

Board Action: Sharron moved to approve the Second and final reading. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

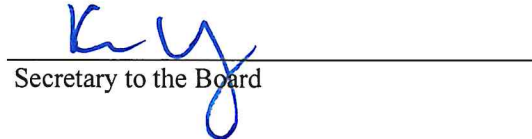
EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION - None

ADJOURNMENT

Jennie Wilson adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m.


Anitra Atchison
Assistant Secretary

The minutes of the February 22, 2023 regular board meeting (2 pages) were approved at the March 29, 2023 board meeting.


Secretary to the Board


Chair of the Board