

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

School Board Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, October 31, 2018  
In the Board Room at 7:00 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Joyce Fancher with Clint Duchow, Sharron Cox, Jerry Asmussen, and Ernesto Cerrillo present. Superintendent Steve McCullough and secretary Janet Glanzer were present. Administrators present were Brian Ellis and Kristi Krieg. Also present were Mike Larson, Joy Timm, Brian Green, Laura Knowlton, Bobbi Catone, Ali Thomas, Seth Thomas, Dennis Brown, Brock Hires, Mike Denney, Janice Wilson, Keven Haney, Christy Denison, Cole Denison, Jan Kitterman, Brittany Wilson, Brock Sutton, Birdie Nelson, Renee Brets, Aunita Corum, Brittany Wilson, Kris Duchow, and Christy Caton.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Chair Joyce Fancher led the flag salute at 7:00 p.m.

**ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA - None**

**HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS**

Topics discussed were:

- Communication.
- Rumors among the students and community.
  - Steve McCullough’s weekly update goes out through various media platforms such as on the school website, Facebook and into parents’ email addresses if they are receiving messages through the School Messenger system.
- Programs available to students with challenges and how students access the help.
- Privacy laws. School administrators have been advised to be careful on the information that is shared with students. Mr. McCullough commented that it takes more than just the school to address these issues and encouraged community members and parents to help.
- SafeSchools anonymous tip app available is on the district’s website for students to report anything from drugs, bullying and harassment, etc. As soon as the tip comes in, it is acted upon.
- Bringing drug dogs in the school more often.
- School administrators notifying the police immediately when drugs are in the school. It was confirmed that this is happening.
- Suicide help and counselling and the limited school resources. Transportation is an issue for students to get help outside the area.
- Lock down protocols and considering calling a soft lockdown by another name.
- Building principal weekly updates like the superintendent sends out.
- Robo calls from the school.
- Providing students with an accurate account of what is happening during a lockdown.
- Trust.
- Assemblies to help students be aware of issues and how to deal with them.
- School issues and letting the students know that the school is addressing the issues.

Joyce Fancher and Steve McCullough remarked that they appreciate the parents and community members coming in to speak. Their help is needed to help combat the issues being faced in the school.

## CONSENT AGENDA

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

## REPORTS

### *Financial Reports*

Bobbi Catone reviewed the financial reports.

### *Superintendent Report*

Steve McCullough reported that Shelley Short was in the district last week and Joel Kretz will be visiting next week. The ADA grant the district received is for automatic door openers for the buildings. Ballots have been mailed out. The Microsoft volunteers who work with the HS TEALS computer programming class were in the district on October 12.

### *Maintenance Report*

Mike Larson reported that the mechanical system is aging and needs to be replaced. Carpets are needing to be replaced in classrooms and hallways. Mike reported on the completed summer projects, commenting that the ALE building installation work was done by local contractors. Speed bumps were installed in the HS parking lot. A new law came out that the district is responsible for security on our propane tank so we will need to monitor it 24 hours a day. The automatic door openers will be installed during Christmas break. When we get the levy and reconfigure the building entrances, we will look into having automatic locks in the entryways. An energy consumption report was provided. Water softeners were installed in each of the building which will help with the kitchen equipment. A new hot water tank was installed in the high school. Mike attended the WAMOA conference and met with other supervisors that he can network with. The maintenance and custodial staff have been attending trainings to improve the upkeep of the buildings.

## NEW BUSINESS

### *November 14 Board Meeting Change*

Board Action: Ernesto Cerrillo moved to approve changing the November 14 board meeting to November 7. Sharron Cox seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

### *Board Self-Assessment*

The board discussed the self-assessment process. Each board member will submit their part then the board will move ahead with future planning.

### *Board Training and Retreat*

The board discussed when to hold the retreat and what the training will be on. They are possibly looking at a training on assessment. On November 7, the board will look at their calendars and determine the date.

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## BOARD POLICY UPDATES

### *First Reading Policies*

Board Action: Jerry Asmussen moved to approve the first reading of policies 1400, 2029, 3122, 3143, 3144, 3241, 3413, 3416, 3420, 4500, 6220, 6230, 6610, and 6630. Clint Duchow seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

*Committee Reports* – None

***Board Evaluation***

Working on getting the evaluation done.

***Monthly Migrant/Bilingual Meeting***

Steve McCullough commented that the board members have been invited to attend an upcoming monthly meeting to meet with parents. The board has decided to attend on February 20.

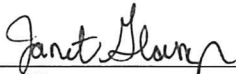
Board Action: Jerry Asmussen moved to approve the board attend the monthly migrant/bilingual meeting on February 20, 2019. Sharron Cox seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD AGENDA**

**EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION** - None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Joyce Fancher adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.



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Janet Glanzer  
Assistant Secretary

The minutes of the October 31, 2018 regular board meeting (2 pages) were approved at the November 28, 2018 board meeting.



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Secretary to the Board



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Chair of the Board