

COOKE CITY SCHOOL DIST. #9----- School Board Meeting, November 27, 2023

The Board of Trustees met in regular session on November 27, 2023. Present were Trustees Joelle Passerello, Marie Carpenter and Alix House and Teacher Lara Belice. Clerk Laura Carroccia and Supt. Lisa Rosberg were present via speakerphone.

Trustee Joelle Passerello called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

BUSINESS:

A motion was made and carried to approve the minutes of the last meeting. JP/MC

A motion was made and carried to approve the claims presented. JP/MC

A motion was made and carried with all in favor to adopt the version of the MTSBA policy received on 11/27/23.

Bridger Bowl has changed its payment policy and parents will need to pay for their children on the day of the ski trip instead of the school paying for all students. Lara proposed writing checks to each family for the cost of skiing, equipment rental and fuel ahead of the ski trip and the trustees were in agreement.

Teacher Comments, Concerns:

The part to fix the door has arrived. Lara will follow up on getting the door fixed, the sink plumbing looked at and the chimney swept.

The Star Lab is now going to be loaned to the school free of charge (this was originally budgeted in ESSER). It needs 12'6" of height and 24' width, Lara is currently investigating options of where to set it up including a grooming vehicle shed and a shop in Silvergate.

Lara has purchased dark sky t-shirts for the students, to be paid for out of the t-shirt fund.

Lara is working on arranging a zoom or in person session with Maria Gladstone of Indigikitchen, who is Blackfeet, Cherokee and teaches indigenous cooking. This would be paid for in part with IEFA funding.

Clerk comments, Concerns:

Laura provided some information on funding for the school if no students were enrolled. The school would transfer all of its funds, apart from 115, into the non-operating fund. This fund would be used to pay for maintenance of the building and any other expenses the Board deems necessary, including paying a retainer or stipend to a teacher to prepare curriculum and ensure the school is operationally ready to re-open.

If the school were to close, the process for reopening would be for a minimum of two students to petition the trustees, if their petition was approved, it would then go to the county and then the state for approval.

The school has received an additional invoice from the special education coop for sped teacher benefits for \$1,531.54, this should have been included on the original invoice but wasn't.

Laura mentioned that Lara has not yet been paid for the work she did over the summer deep cleaning the school, organizing the library and building the fence for the water line. A motion was made and carried with all in favor to pay Lara at her normal hourly rate for 20 hours of additional work.

Superintendent comments, Concerns:

Lisa is now adding the agendas and minutes to the county website as we discussed at the previous meeting.

Lisa informed the Board that the ESSER Self-Assessment Report was submitted to OPI after being completed by herself and Laura.

Lisa mentioned there are some changes coming with school accreditation in Infinite Campus.

Board comments, Concerns:

None

The meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled on **Tuesday December 19, 2023 at 5 p.m.**

Submitted by Laura Carroccia, Clerk