Minutes from Board of Education Business Meeting/Work Session February 21, 2023

DINNER SESSION - 5:30 PM Information Technology Center Aspen Training Rooms

PRESENT: President Rob Petterson; Vice President Kristen Draper; Directors DJ Anderson, Jim Brokish, Nate Donovan, Carolyn Reed, and Jessica Zamora; Superintendent Brian Kingsley; Assistant Superintendents Traci Gile and Scott Nielsen; Lauren Hooten, Bud Hunt, Dave Montoya, Madeline Noblett, Dwayne Schmitz, and Erich WonSavage; General Counsel Autumn Aspen

ABSENT: None LATE: None

Dinner session began at 5:32 p.m.

1.0 District Information and Board Discussion Topics

- Chief Institutional Effectiveness Officer Dwayne Schmitz provided Board members with an orientation of the BOE Insight Dashboard.
- Directors were encouraged to reach out to Dwayne if they need assistance with the dashboard moving forward.
- Vice President Draper introduced two members of the Student Advisory Group who shared a presentation on student mental health.

2.0 Agenda Planning

There was no discussion on this item.

Dinner session ended at 6:13 p.m.

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING (BOARDROOM) - 6:30 PM

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ABSENT: None LATE: None

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

President Petterson called the regular business meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

3.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent Kingsley talked about the value of developing the whole child, the importance of ensuring every student see themselves as enough while having the resources to reach their dreams, maintaining creativity with fiscal stewardship for the betterment of the district, and making continued academic progress across the district despite the unstable and often contentious environment post-covid. The district should continue to focus on improvement while modeling vulnerability, realizing hard conversations and hard work will be forthcoming.

4.0 COMMUNITY COMMENT

Jim Winebrener said PSD is driving a wedge between parents, students, and teachers by advocating LGBTQ viewpoints throughout the district and creating an environment of secrecy in contradiction to biblical values taught by parents at home.

Parent John Fields recounted a recent incident of bullying his daughter experienced at a school bus stop and conveyed dissatisfaction with a lack of incident reporting and lack of accountability by the school and transportation department.

Teacher Becky Woodcox expressed concern about a projected decrease in enrollment at her school next year with inevitable staff cuts and asked the board to consider the importance of student outcomes before increasing an already top-heavy administration.

Student swimmer Jaden Putnam said local pool facilities have not been improved for years and investment in a competition pool would be a positive impact for countless generations to come.

Kurt Kastein stated the primary responsibility for the health and wellness of children lies with parents, said the school district should not try to assume control of mental health, and requested the district consider inclusion of parents in mental health plans for children.

Jeff Aufderheide stated Summit Stone contributed documentation for a recent PSD grant application which resulted in a grant award of over a million dollars, and asked if Summit Stone would financially benefit from the collaboration.