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NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

BOUSE SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD

Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at 3:30 pm

Bouse Elementary School

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Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-432.01, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the members of the GOVERNING BOARD and the general public that the GOVERNING BOARD OF THE BOUSE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 26 will hold a meeting open to the public. The Governing Board reserves the right to move into executive session for legal advice with its attorney, in person or by telephone, for any item listed on the agenda, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02(A) (3). Additional documentation relating to the public meeting agenda may be obtained at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting by contacting the business office at (928)851-2213.

****Minutes****

1. Call the meeting to order at: ___:___ PM

Meeting called to order by Ann Lemaster-Wilson at 3:30 PM.

Roll call: Ann LeMaster-Wilson, Jim Pontious, Ron Fletcher, Brandy Peck, Cassandra, Calderon, Janell Carbary and Monica Timberlake, La Paz County Director for ASBA.

Not Present: Pam Finkbeiner.

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

3. Approve the agenda:

Jim Pontious made a motion to approve the Board Agenda as presented. Ann LeMaster-Wilson second and the motion carried a unanimous vote.

4. Call to the public- *This is the time for the public to comment. Members of the Board may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38- 431.01(H), action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.*

No one present from the public in attendance.

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5. Superintendent's Report-

Brandy Peck-

School Events: This month we have the Take A Kid Fishing Field Trip. This is a 2 part event for some of the students. On Monday February 7th, the 4-8 grade students will participate in a fishing seminar. They will learn how to tie fishing knots, cast a line and identify native species. On Wednesday February 15th all grade levels will attend a field trip in which they will go out to La Paz County Park and spend the day fishing.

On February 24th, the 8th graders will attend a field trip to Salome High School. This event is fun for the students and is designed to introduce them to High School.

Testing: Students have taken the third Galileo Test. As a school, we saw a 1.2% decrease in the average score for ELA and an 8.7% increase in the average math score. Attendance really played a part in the decrease we saw for the ELA students. Nearly 10% of students were not fully tested because they missed most or all of the two week testing window. Teachers are again working on disaggregating the new data so that they can create new action plans to help provide interventions for students who are performing below grade level. Students in grades 3rd-8th completed the state required AASA writing assessment yesterday. We were able to test 100% of those required.

Attendance: Attendance is still an issue we are working on. I had 5 students eligible to attend the Golden Ticket lunch in January. These students achieved perfect attendance for the second quarter. I will hold a third lunch for students with perfect attendance in the third quarter around the end of March. Students are also participating in an attendance incentive sponsored by the Arizona Diamondbacks. Each student who earns perfect attendance for the month of February will receive a certificate from the Diamondbacks along with a free ticket to attend a baseball game. Teachers are also beginning a new incentive at the classroom level. They are developing a punch card type of system where students will receive a punch for each day they attend. After they receive so many punches they will receive a reward. A full month of punches will earn a slightly larger reward.

Policy/Procedures: I am working on meeting the federal requirements for compliance with Title IX legislation. I have formed a team that will deal with Title IX complaints, should we receive any. I am developing the training needed for these team members and it should be ready and available to them in March. I have drafted a current Emergency Response Plan. These plans have been developed with several other members of the staff and meets state compliance requirements. We are currently working to revise the Lockdown procedures to make them more effective. This is available in my office, if you would like to review it.

Mr. Fletcher: We are looking at getting our bigger bus repaired. We have an estimate for about \$6500.00 to repair the exhaust , the lights in the back , the fan for the heater and window locks.

6. Approve regular board minutes for January 5, 2022.

Jim Pontious made a motion to approve the regular board minutes for January 5, 2022 as written. Ann LeMaster-Wilson second and the motion carried a unanimous vote.

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7. Discussion/Action to approve Financial Report.

Jim Pontious made a motion to approve Financial Report to include Fund Balance Report for FY 21/22 January, expense voucher 2214 in the amount of \$ 9,377.91, expense voucher 2215 in the amount of \$ 9,744.86, payroll voucher 13 in the amount of \$ 23,580.23, payroll voucher 14 in the amount of \$ 23,810.46 and Student Activities Fund Report for December. Ann LeMaster-Wilson second and the motion carried a unanimous vote.

8. Discussion/Action to approve Policy GBEBA Staff Dress Code.

Ms. Peck was asked to write a dress code that pertained to staff members. After researching other districts staff dress code policies, she drafted a policy that resembled the policies used by many other districts around the state. This policy would be effective next school year.

Jim Pontious made a motion to approve Policy GBEBA Staff Dress Code. Ann LeMaster-Wilson second and the motion carried a unanimous vote.

9. Discussion/Action to approve continuation(year 2) of our quote for an audit firm.

This is an outline of what and why they will be auditing. By signing this agreement you are acknowledging what they will be doing for the district. The cost each year is approximately \$16,500.00. This cost is budgeted for each year on top of the other multipliers in our budget so it does not take away from the classroom. This is a requirement by ADE and is uploaded to ADE each year.

Jim Pontious made a motion to approve continuation of our quote for an audit firm. Ann LeMaster Wilson second and the motion carried a unanimous vote.

10. Discussion on how the Aggregate Spending Limits could affect the 2021/2022 Budget.

Monica Timberlake, La Paz County Director for ASBA was present to explain the effects of the aggregate spending limits and the proposed override.

11. Next regular board meeting is on March 2, 2022.

12. Adjourn regular board meeting:

Ann LeMaster-Wilson adjourned the meeting at 4:22PM.

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Pamela Finkbeiner, President

Ann LeMaster- Wilson, Clerk

James Pontious, Member

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