

OWOSSO PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
November 12, 2018
Report 18-45

President Jenc called the Board of Education Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 5:00 pm. The meeting was held at the Washington Campus, 645 Alger Street, Owosso, MI 48867.

Present: Tim Jenc, Sara Keyes, Ty Krauss, Rick Mowen, Cheryl Paez, and Shelly Ochodnicky
Absent: Marlene Webster

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Participation

President Jenc stated that the Board of Education is a public body and recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues. Time has been included in the meeting's agenda for public participation. Members of the audience were reminded that they should announce their name and group affiliation when applicable and to limit their participation time to three minutes or less. Comments should be directed to the Board and be relevant to the business of the Board of Education. This is not an opportunity for dialogue with the Board of Education. The rules of common courtesy should also be observed.

There were no comments from the public.

NEOLA Board Policy Review

NEOLA Representative Mr. Wayne Wright provided the members of the Board with information and an explanation of the proposed new, revised, and replacement bylaws and policies that need to be adopted for compliance purposes. The bylaws and policies reviewed were as follows:

Bylaw 0100 – Definitions (revised)
Bylaw 0122 – Board Powers (revised)
Bylaw 0131.1 – Bylaws and Policies (revised)
Bylaw 0143.1 – Public Expression of Board Members (revised)
Bylaw 0165.6 – Cancellation (new)
Bylaw 0611 – Agenda (revised)
Bylaw 0167.1 – Voting (revised)
Bylaw 0167.2 – Closed Session (revised)
Bylaw 0167.3 – Public Participation at Board Meeting (revised)
Bylaw 0167.6 – Use of Social Media (new)
Policy 1422/3122/4122 – Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity (revised)
Policy 1662/3362/4362 – Anti-Harassment (revised)
Policy 2260 – Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Education Opportunity (revised)
Policy 5517 – Anti-Harassment (revised)
Policy 5517.02 – Sexual Violence (revised)
Policy 2112 – Parent and Family Engagement (revised)
Policy 2261 – Title I Services (revised)
Policy 2261.01 – Parent and Family Member Participation in Title 1 Programs (replacement)
Policy 2261.03 – District and School Report Card (local only) (new)
Policy 2700 – P.A. Annual Reports (local only) (revised)
Policy 2271 – Postsecondary (Dual) Enrollment Option Program (revised)
Policy 3120 – Employment of Professional Staff (revised)
Policy 3120.04 – Employment of Substitutes (revised)
Policy 3130 – Assignment and Transfer (revised)
Policy 4162 – Controlled Substance and Alcohol Policy for Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) Drivers and Other Employees Who Perform Safety Sensitive Functions (revised)
Policy 5330 – Use of Medications (revised)
Policy 5460 – Graduation Requirements (revised)

Policy 5540 – Interrogation of Students (revised)
Policy 5610 – Emergency Removal, Suspension, and Expulsion of Students (replacement)
Policy 5610.01 – Expulsions/Suspensions-Required by Statute (rescind)
Policy 5611 – Due Process Rights (revised)
Policy 5630.01 – Student Seclusion and Restraint (revised)
Policy 6325 – Procurement-Federal Grants/Funds (revised)
Policy 6350 – Prevailing Wage Coordinator (rescind)
Policy 8210 – School Calendar (revised)

Bond Update

A bond progress update was presented to the Board by Peter Sarelis and T.J. O'Connor of Kingscott Architectural Firm. Mr. Sarelis explained that the design phase of the secondary campus is progressing nicely. Conceptual designs of the campus were shared with the Board that included the design components related to the auditorium, cafeteria and kitchen, gymnasium, classrooms, technology, utilities, and safety and security. Decisions are being made regarding technology, electrical, lighting, interior and exterior traffic flow, parking, masonry, flooring, paint, acoustics, windows, and doors. Mr. Sarelis stated that the middle school/high school campus is still a work in progress; however, the final design of the campus is close to completion.

The Board was reminded that a meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 29th at 1 pm in Superintendent Tuttle's office with auditorium experts and others including members of the Cook Family Foundation, Fine Arts teachers, and administrators to discuss just the auditorium.

Facilities

Superintendent Tuttle discussed the possibility of proposing a purchase agreement for the Precision Electric building. She explained that if the District does not purchase the building, a significant amount of money would need to be put into the current bus garage on Jerome Street, the Cedar Street maintenance building, and the Cass Street building, which is currently the location of the bus maintenance bay. OPS staff and members of the Board of Education have toured the Precision Electric building on more than one occasion to determine improvements and upgrades that are needed to ensure the building meets the District's needs.

Safety Grant

Superintendent Tuttle reported that Owosso Public Schools was one of six area schools that were awarded grants from the Michigan State Police that will allow us to improve student safety. The grant monies will be used to purchase card readers for buildings and 3M film for exterior windows.

Upcoming Meeting Dates

November 26: Board of Education Meeting, 5:30 pm

December 10: Board of Education Meeting, 5:30 pm (Note: Meeting to be held on second Monday of the month due to holidays)

Adjournment

Moved by Mowen, supported by Ochodnicky to go into closed session at 7:17 pm for the purpose of discussing Superintendent Tuttle's annual evaluation.

Moved by Mowen supported by Paez to return to open session at 7:30 pm.

Moved by Mowen, supported by Paez to adjourn at 7:31 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes recorded by Clara Pitt

Respectfully submitted,

Shelly Ochodnicky, Secretary