



**TELLURIDE R-1 SCHOOL DISTRICT
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING**

Tuesday, May 12, 2020 5:15 PM

Zoom

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MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Monthly Board Meeting was called to order at 5:18 pm by Stephanie Hatcher.

2. ROLL CALL

Present at Roll Call via Zoom: Dylan Brooks, Stephanie Hatcher; Cheryl Carstens Miller, Jenni Ward. **Quorum Present.** Jill O'Dell (5:49 pm).

Others present for all or portion of meeting: Mike Gass, Superintendent; Wendy Everett, Director of Finances; Sara Kimble, TMHS Principal; Susan Altman, TES Principal; Sheree Lynn, TIS Principal; John Pandolfo, Future Superintendent; Nicki Borland, THS Student; Jessica Heady, TEA President and THS Teacher.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Stephanie asked for a motion to approve the Agenda. Cheryl Miller made a motion to approve the Agenda. Jenni Ward seconded the motion. All were in favor and the Agenda was approved unanimously. The motion passed. No additional discussion occurred.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Stephanie Hatcher asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of Work Session April 21 2020; Regular Monthly Board Meeting April 21, 2020.

Dylan Brooks made a motion to approve the Minutes. Jenni Ward seconded the motion. All were in favor and the minutes passed unanimously. No additional discussion occurred.

5. HEARING OF VISITORS: (3-minute limit)

Jessica Heady, THS Teacher and TEA President reported that she has been working on a draft resolution in support of education and is leading a campaign to preserve funding for schools in Colorado. She also encouraged the Board to look at a one-time payment to teachers as a token of appreciation acknowledging how well they moved to remote learning. If there was cost savings from the lack of programs this Spring she asked that some monies be utilized to reimburse teachers for the costs associated with their personal use internet, utilities, phone bills.

6. STUDENT REPORT

Nicki Borland, Student Council member, reported to the Board on senior graduation activities – car parade, cap/gown distribution, personal statements being recorded into a film (along with Ms. Kimble, keynote speaker, valedictorian, salutatorian) to be shared. Graduation will be May 21st via the Gondola as a mini-individual ceremony with family. Virtual prom was hosted by Junior class and KOTO. AP Testing started and will continue for two weeks in a new format. Nicki asked that dress code be finalized by the end of the year as a legacy for this class. Sara suggested that after graduation they meet to tweak the language/make some revisions and present for approval at the June Board meeting. Stephanie Hatcher thanked Sara Kimble for all her hard work, energy and care during this transition to online learning, for her dedication and care to all the students, and all her efforts to preserve school culture while everyone is sheltered at home.

7. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

Jenni Ward was part of the meeting with Living Solar which was reviewed in detail during May 11, 2020 Work Session.

Cheryl Carstens Miller was part of a Strong Start/Strong Community meeting and they discussed how to support early childhood through this crisis. Covid-19 pandemic is shifting and changing some of their priorities. She also reported that the Telluride Foundation is considering allocating the \$250,000 per year they grant to preschools and let Strong Start/Strong Community grant for them in return for a seat on the Board, details are being worked out.

She also participated in the CASB webinar regarding budget and forwarded the link to the Board. Highlights included that school finance budget cuts could be in the range of \$2-4 billion, they will not consider any new bills for rest of year that have any fiscal note or costs associated with it, looking at a granting program for PPE for the Fall. She also noted that there is a perception that a lot of money was saved due to long distance learning, but it needs to be communicated to our legislature that this is not true.

Cheryl received Greg Lawler's resolution for emergency funding and Stephanie asked her to review. After reviewing she broke into two resolutions: Emergency School Funding Due to the Unique Covid-19 Virus Pandemic and Resolution in Support of Fair Tax Colorado which she sent to Board.

8. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

a) Mike Gass, Superintendent Report

Mike presented a PowerPoint (attached) and reviewed each item including Sue Kunz being hired for the HR position, solar/roof cost analysis and further due diligence needed, Covid-19 update and thoughts on Fall start. Mike invited Board to send emails to him and/or Principals with any "what if" scenarios, questions, ideas for Fall so they can be added to list. There was discussion regarding summer school and that if it happens it will be later in the summer as students and teachers need a break and will need to follow public health guidelines.

Stephanie Hatcher invited the Principals to provide Administrative reports as they have not been occurring at Board meetings during Coronavirus pandemic.

Susan Altman, TES, reported that she is proud of her staff as they found a balance between pencil/paper and online learning with customization as needed. Various reports and projects were built in as well and in Spanish. There are some great end of year celebrations occurring with Kindergarten graduation via Zoom, a car parade for 1st grade with memory book distribution and 2nd grade car parade with goodie bags. The culture remained upbeat and the push to get through spring break is appreciated right now. She is planning for ESY (Extended School Year) SPED students following early childhood regulations. Hiring is completed at TES for the 20/21 school year, there is a feedback form going out to parents, discussions are occurring for summer PD, possibly regarding Schoology platform, and an AVID K-2 seminar.

Sheree Lynn, TIS, shared that she zoomed in to various classrooms and all TIS students (3rd-6th grades) created reflections on the past year. There were illustrated books and dual immersion students wrote portions in Spanish. There is a 6th grade celebration movie event of kid's reflections with awards and a video from Sheree and Sara Kimble as they transition to middle school. She noted that resilience of teachers and students is outstanding. Hiring at TIS has gone well, especially in these circumstances, and the two new hires bring a lot of experience. Looking forward, Sheree is working with Building Leadership Team and MTSS team, asking for parent feedback, looking for guidance from County and collaboration of fellow Principals to outline what things can look like in the next year. At the beginning of the school year Sheree talked with the Board about laying out a multi-year plan. She has now authored the first couple of years, with the first year focusing on what learning will look like in the new world and projected out to second year the wish list of what they are hoping for, which may be a bit compromised if the district is required to focus on remote learning. The school year is ending on a great note.

Sara Kimble, TMHS, wrap-up was brief as THS Graduation and end of year activities had already been covered in Student and Superintendent report. There was an end of year 8th grade celebration. Different surveys are out to parents, teachers and students for feedback on this process and ideas for next year. She is meeting with department heads to digest information. She wanted to echo how teachers have risen to the occasion on so many levels with extended hours and that it has been a humbling experience to be a part of this group of people.

Dylan asked for information on the five new hires as they are included as part of Personnel Report being approved tonight. Principals reported on the transitions of classroom teachers and background of new hires.

9. **DISCUSSION ITEMS(s)**

a) State Budget Update

Mike suggested this be a standing item on each meeting. The legislative session has been extended and Wendy asked for guidance on building budget. She will build a budget, but cautioned that it will need to be revised.

b) End of Year Update

No report was required as this had been woven into other items during the meeting.

c) Board Student Award

A list of student names nominated by teachers, as well as written descriptions of their accomplishments and challenges will be provided to Board by Karen in collaboration with teachers. It was asked that votes be sent to Mike by the end of the week.

d) Special Board Meeting for Budget

Discussion occurred regarding setting meetings for proposal and adoption of Budget. Kim will send out dates and calendar invites.

e) Pinhead Lease

The renegotiation of the Pinhead lease was finalized and will be presented to the Board today.

10. **CONSENT AGENDA**

a) Cash Summary - (Attachment to follow)

b) Personnel Report – (Attachment)

c) **GP 8, 9, 10:** Annual Agenda Planning, Board Member's Code of Conduct, Board Members Covenants; (Attachments)

EL 12, 15: Standards Based Academic Program, Student Learning Environment-Discipline; (Attachments)

BSR 1, 2, 3, 4, 5: Governance – Management Connection, Unity of Control, Accountability of the Superintendent, Delegation to the Superintendent, Monitoring Superintendent Performance (Attachments)

d) Pinhead Lease

Stephanie Hatcher asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Jennie Ward made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and Cheryl Miller seconded the motion. Roll call was taken, all were in favor and the Consent Agenda was approved unanimously as presented. No additional discussion occurred.

11. **ACTION ITEM(s)**

Stephanie Hatcher asked for a motion to amend the Action Items to include the following additional items:

- Emergency funding for Covid-19 Pandemic resolution
- 2020-2021 Telluride BOE Meeting Calendar
- Pinhead Facilities Use Agreement

Cheryl Miller made a motion to approve the amended Action Items. Jill O'Dell seconded the motion. Roll call was taken, all were in favor to approve the amended Action Items.

a) FY 2019/2020 Budget Adjustment(s) Approval

Stephanie Hatcher asked for a motion to approve FY 2019/2020 Budget Adjustments. Cheryl Miller made a motion to approve, Jill O'Dell seconded the motion. Roll call was taken, all were in favor and the Budget Adjustments were approved.

b) Emergency funding for Covid-19 Pandemic resolution

Stephanie Hatcher asked for a motion to approve the Emergency funding for Covid-19 Pandemic Resolution. Cheryl Miller made a motion to approve, Jenni Ward seconded the motion. Roll call was taken, all were in favor and the Pandemic Resolution was approved.

c) 2020-2021 Telluride BOE Meeting Calendar

Stephanie Hatcher asked for a motion to approve the 2020-2021 Telluride BOE Meeting Calendar. Jill O'Dell made a motion to approve, Jenni Ward seconded the motion. Roll call was taken, all were in favor and the Calendar was approved.

d) Pinhead Facilities Use Agreement

Stephanie Hatcher asked for a motion to approve the 2020-2021 Pinhead Facilities Use Agreement. Cheryl Miller made a motion to approve, Jill O'Dell seconded the motion. Roll call was taken, all were in favor and the Facilities Use Agreement was approved.

12. SELF-REVIEW

Stephanie Hatcher asked for comment on self-review. There was no comment.

13. OTHER

Mike asked for further direction on roof/solar scenario discussion yesterday and was directed to have him and Ken work with Jeff from Living Solar and SMPA to get further details on financing arrangements and to not pursue the storage batteries unless there is interest from the community to help with the financing cost.

14. ADJOURN MONTHLY MEETING

Stephanie Hatcher asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dylan Brooks made a motion to Adjourn. Cheryl Miller seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed. No additional discussion occurred. The Monthly meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm.

15. FUTURE BUSINESS

TBD Special Board Meeting - Budget


June 12, 2020 Work Session (**9:00 AM**) Bridal Veil Conference Room or Zoom TBD;

June 12, 2020 Monthly Board Meeting (**11:00 AM**) in Bridal Veil Conference Room or Zoom TBD

Submitted by KimberLee Spaulding
Recording Secretary for the Board of Education



Stephanie A. Hatcher
Board President



Dylan Brooks
Secretary/Treasurer