Mackay School District #182

Regular Board Meeting

February 8, 2021 at 7:00pm

Mackay High School and Zoom

Attendees: Susan Buescher, Teresa Kraczek, Stephanie Green, Genae McAffee, Holly Seefried, Charmaine Gamett, Jodi Wasylow, Jake Johnson, Bryce Woodbury, Vernon Roche, and several constituents by Zoom

Chairman McAffee opened the meeting and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jake Johnson moved to approve the agenda and the consent agenda, which consisted of: minutes dated January 11, 2021 and January 26, 2021, payment of bills dated February 3, 2021, financial reports, and student discipline report. Holly Seefried seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried. Jake Johnson

moved to approve the payment of bills dated February 8, 2021. Holly Seefried seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried. No public comment.

Superintendent Buescher presented What’s Right and her district report:  
 Gave an update on the issues being discussed during the legislative session.

Held a professional development day last Friday, Ms. Green presented a suicide training, did ISAT preliminary training.

Advanced Professional rung on the career ladder was not funded last year. 2016-2017 we did not have distinguished on our rubric and we are missing evaluations from 2015-2016 school year so no one qualified for it.

Received a nice letter from a Rockland parent regarding one of our students.

Our graduation rate in 2019 was 100 % and this last year it was 76.9%, this is due to students that left the District but are still being reported.

Ms. Green presented What’s Right and her principal report:  
 Amber Hulse has worked and got all of the scholarships on the school website.

After school program is going very well.

Taysen and Grayden Burley took first place in their hockey tournaments.

1st, 2nd, and 3rd graders made Valentines for the veterans. The auxiliary donated all of the supplies and distributed them.

Our travel bus looks awesome, she thanked all of those that helped make it happen.

Trustee Seefried reported:  
 We had 2 athletes of the week, Trinity Seefried and Chase Green.

Superintendent Buescher presented the ISEE report information.

Reviewed the To-Do List.

Teresa Kraczek presented information on ISBA Day on the Hill.

Superintendent Buescher gave an update on financial issues pending before the legislature.

Jake Johnson moved to go into executive session per Idaho Code 74-206(1)(a). Holly Seefried seconded. Verbal vote: Seefried-yes, Gamett-yes, Woodbury-yes, McAffee-yes, Johnson-yes. Audience dismissed. 7:22pm in executive session. Chairman McAffee and Vice-Chairman Johnson excused themselves from executive session. Discussion on personnel. 7:32pm back in regular session.

The Board reviewed the bus specifications, there were questions on it. The Board would like the yellow bus supervisor to attend the March meeting to answer any questions that they may have. Jake Johnson moved to table the new bus purchase. Holly Seefried seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman McAffee turned the time over to Vernon Roche regarding the conveyance of buses. We currently have two school buses that are not being used. Jake Johnson moved to convey buses 14 & 15 to Surplus. Holly Seefried seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Superintendent Buescher presented the 2021-2022 school calendar and two proposed calendars for 2022-2023. Bryce Woodbury moved to adopt the 2021-2022 school calendar. Jake Johnson seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried. Bryce Woodbury moved to accept the proposed 2022-2023 calendar B. Holly Seefried seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Superintendent Buescher presented the concerns regarding lack of staffing to cover after staff receives their second COVID-19 vaccination on February 16th. She recommended closing school on Wednesday, February 17th. She stated that there are enough hours in our calendar to miss the day and not have to make it up. Discussion held. Holly Seefried moved to not have school on Wednesday, February 17, 2021. Charmaine Gamett seconded. 3 were in favor, 2 were opposed (Johnson and Woodbury). Motion carried.

Superintendent Buescher presented concerns over the snow not being removed around the buses right after a snow storm. Discussion held. The Board would like Preston to look into the cost of a skid steer. Tabled for further information.

Tabled the senior trip until next month so the seniors can come and present the information.

Ms. Green recommended approving the baseball co-op with Challis and Butte County. Jake Johnson moved to approve the baseball co-op. Holly Seefried seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried. Ms. Green stated that the softball co-op would like to request the use of a bus for games and practices and possibly the baseball co-op as well for travel to practices in Challis. We would charge the sports travel fee for these programs if busing was available. Discussion held. Tabled for more information.

Superintendent Buescher presented the grant application from Mr. VanLeuven. Holly Seefried moved to approve the grant application. Charmaine Gamett seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Superintendent Buescher recommended hiring Chris Peterson as high school track coach. Bryce Woodbury moved to accept the hire. Holly Seefried seconded. 3 were in favor, 2 recused themselves from discussion and vote (McAffee and Johnson). Motion carried.

Bryce Woodbury moved to approve the policies 3285, 3290, 4120, 4120F, and 8605. Jake Johnson seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Jake Johnson moved to go into executive session per Idaho Code 74-206(1)(b). Holly Seefried seconded. Verbal vote: Seefried-yes, Gamett-yes, Woodbury-yes, McAffee-yes, Johnson-yes. Chairman McAffee called for a 5-minute recess before proceeding with executive session. 8:58pm in executive session. Audience excused. Discussion held on personnel. 9:01pm Board excused all but board members. Discussion held on superintendent evaluation. 10:02pm out of executive session. All brought back in.

Jake Johnson moved to issue Susan Buescher a superintendent contract for 2021-2022 school year with a 4% increase. Holly Seefried seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Jake Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting. Bryce Woodbury seconded. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 10:05pm.