The Board of Education of Pana Community Unit School District #8 of the Counties of Christian, Shelby and Montgomery, Illinois met in Regular Session on Monday, November 21, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Unit Office Board Room at 14 Main St, Pana, IL.

## Meeting called to Order/Roll Call

President Kirkbride called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The following board members were present: Kirkbride, Anderson, Deere, Beyers, Moon, Dorn, and Blackwell.

Roll Call

## **Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Beyers and seconded by Moon to approve the consent agenda inclusive of payables totaling \$956,814.51 and payroll totaling \$817,474.95 for a total of \$1,774,289.46.

Consent Agenda

ROLL CALL: Kirkbride, Beyers, Deer, Moon, Anderson, Dorn, and Blackwell. Motion Carried.

Roll Call

## **VISITORS**

Principals: Wysong, Millburg, McDonald, Mayhall

Teachers: Casey Ruppert (Out at 6:41pm), Emily Perry (Out at 6:41pm)

Media: T Latonis, S McGrath

Students: Faith Horton (Out at 6:41pm), Karsen Manuel (Out at 6:41pm), Matthew

McFarland (Out at 6:41pm).

Pana High School FFA students Faith Horton, Karsen Manuel, and Matthew McFarland spoke on their trip to Indianapolis for FFA. They spoke on the overall experience, favorite areas, and offerings through FFA.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Facilities**

Did not meet this month. Next meeting - TBD

#### **Finance**

Superintendent Bauer and Craig Deere gave a brief update from the November 17, 2022 meeting. Next meeting January 13, 2023 at 6:30am - Pana Unit Office

### **Curriculum Committee**

Did not meet this month. Next meeting Wednesday, December 7th, 2022 at 5:30pm at the Pana High School Library.

## **Policy Committee**

Did not meet this month. Next meeting - December 12, 2022 at 5:30pm - Pana Unit Office

## Pana Education Foundation

M Beyers gave a brief update from the October 26, 2022 Meeting. Next meeting Wednesday, November 22, 2022 at 7:00 a.m.

## **Technology**

Did not meet this month. Next meeting TBD

#### **Strategic Planning Committee**

Did not meet this month. Next meeting: TBD

#### I.D.E.A.S. Committee

Did not meet this month. Next meeting: TBD

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

## Principals -

The Principals were all in attendance. Each principal provided information and discussion on each of their buildings.

Mrs Wysong stated that Washington was thankful for their school board and all that they do. She also stated that their attendance was still very high for the most part. There were many celebrations for the month. Events for December are ready to begin.

Mr Metzger stated that their attendance was also very high with one class having over 98% and that they have had many events as well for the holidays. There was a PTO fundraiser where he dressed as a chicken. Red Ribbon week and American Education Week both just wrapped up and were a lot of fun. ESP staff were celebrated and the marching band also came for a visit. Also a thank you to the school board for all that you do.

Principal Reports

Mrs Mayhall stated that their attendance has stayed the same for the most part. Good things: 7th and 8th graders were able to hear Irene McCarry speak about her experiences with WWII. There was a small Veteran's Day assembly that the Panther Den put on. They also raised about \$100 for Folds of Honor. Mr Pierce's communications class is growing and shared a couple videos that the class has put together. Pana Jr High thanks the board for all their work and what they do.

Mr McDonald stated that their attendance has held steady. The music department is doing great. At the Oblong Spooktacular, we had a clean sweep, every part of the band placed 1st, colorguard, marching band field show, parade, drum major. We had 2 students place for IMEA. Emma Stephens placed All State for Choir, and John Berns Chorus Competition and Composition for the band. The High School thanks the School Board for all that they do. The events of the last month were stressful but the high school is back in the groove and they are working on some curriculum to be done at the school to give further education on the consequences of their actions. They are working with law enforcement and school personel to do this the right way to not inflict more trauma. Yearbook is off to a great start and sales are up as well as advertising sales.

## Curriculum and Instruction

Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Paul Donahue, gave his report on curriculum and instruction and also reviewed reports on the Title I grants. Mr Donahue discussed the district report cards in detail. He mentioned the improvements that we have had since the start of COVID. Many grade levels are doing great. There is still work to do but we are headed in the right direction.

Curriculum and Instruction

#### **Buildings and Transportation**

Mr Stauder stated they found a truck for maintenance to replace the van. 2019 Chevy. Won't hold for 3 weeks and contacted a couple of board members that gave the go ahead. Ameren has replaced all the lights between the Jr High and High school with new LED's and globes. Mr Stauder and the maintenance crew has replaced all the LED wall packs at the Jr High. New school update: contractors are well ahead of schedule, rough grade is done on the parking lot. They will start lime stabilization, aggigate piers and possibly footings through December. They will possibly start concrete sometime in January if weather permits. There will me monthly meetings with Poettker. Those wanting to attend, Mr Stauder will update. Ameren will be setting tranformer that is already in the budget.

A motion was made by Beyers and seconded by moon to approve the purchase of a 2019 Chevy Silverado in the amount of \$16,500.

ROLL CALL: Kirkbride, Beyers, Deer, Moon, Anderson, Dorn, and Blackwell. Motion Carried.

Buildings and Transportation

Truck Purchase

Roll Call

#### **SUPERINTENDENT**

## **Tentative FY21 Tax Levy Report**

Superintendent Bauer gave his report as well as recommendations for the tentative FY22 Tax Levy Report. He explained that the EAV estimates are lower than originally projected. With this in mind, we have a 6.57% increase. This projected growth is beneficial when considering the additional dollars it will generate while potentially not increasing the tax rate. The overall projected tax rate for the 2022 Levy is \$4.91. We are recommending a 4.75% increase and will be staying under 5%. We will not need a Truth in Taxation hearing at this time. Superintendent Bauer recommended a motion be passed to approve the District's Tentative Levy Report.

Tentative FY22 Tax Levy Report

A motion was made by Deere and seconded by Blackwell to approve the review of the District's Tentative Levy Report.

ROLL CALL: Kirkbride, Beyers, Deer, Moon, Anderson, Dorn, and Blackwell. Motion Carried.

Roll Call

## **FY22 District Audit**

Superintendent Bauer gave a brief overview of the findings from the FY22 district audit. We received high status we received a 4 out of 4 and High Recognition status. Superintendent Bauer recommended a motion to approve the FY22 District Audit/Annual financial Report (AFR)

FY22 District Audit

A motion was made by Deere and seconeded by Moon to approve the FY22 District Audit/Annual financial Report (AFR)

ROLL CALL: Kirkbride, Beyers, Deer, Moon, Anderson, Dorn, and Blackwell. Motion Carried.

Roll Call

#### **School Board Members Day Resolution**

Superintendent Bauer recommended we pass a motion to approve School Board Member's Day Resolution. Superintendent Bauer took this time to express his gratitude and pride in our school board and recognized the difficulty the last two years have been for them. He thanked them for their service.

School Board Member's Day

A motion was made by Kirkbride and seconded by Deere to approve the November School Board members Day Resolution

ROLL CALL: Kirkbride, Beyers, Deer, Moon, Anderson, Dorn, and Blackwell. Motion Carried.

Roll Call

## NPT Special Education Report

Superintendet Bauer gave a brief update from the October 25, 2022 Meeting. Next meeting Tuesday, November 22, 2022

NPT

## **Executive Session**

A motion was made by Blackwell and seconded by Beyers to enter Executive Session at 8:04 p.m. for the purpose of discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District, student discipline, litigation, and collective negotiating matters.

Enter Executive Session

ROLL CALL: Kirkbride, Beyers, Deer, Moon, Anderson, Dorn, and Blackwell. Motion Carried.

Roll Call

## **Return to Regular Meeting**

A motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Moon to return from the Executive Session to the Regular Meeting at 9:04 p.m.

Return to Regular Meeting

ROLL CALL: Kirkbride, Beyers, Deer, Moon, Anderson, Dorn, and Blackwell. Motion Carried.

Roll Call

# Approve executive session minutes

A motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Deere to approve executive session minutes as read in executive session.

**Executive Session Minutes** 

ROLL CALL: Kirkbride, Beyers, Deer, Moon, Anderson, Dorn, and Blackwell. Motion Carried.

Roll Call

#### **Personnel Recommendations**

A motion was made by Moon and seconded by Blackwell to approve the Superintendent's personnel recommendations as reviewed in executive session.

Personnel Recommendations

ROLL CALL: Kirkbride, Beyers, Deer, Moon, Anderson, Dorn, and Blackwell. Motion Carried.

Roll Call

## **Communications**

- A. Alliance Legislative Report
- B. Capitol Watch
- C. Association of Illinois Rural and Small Schools (AIRSS)
- D. Other Board Correspondence

# **Board Member Considerations**

# **Adjournment**

A motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Blackwell to adjourn the regular meeting of November 21, 2022 at 9:05 p.m. All aye, motion carried.

Secretary
 President