

Pana CUSD #8

January 27, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes

Board President Kyle Anderson called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Roll Call: Board Members Present: Anderson, Dorn, Blackwell, Moon, Hadowsky, Beyers, Casner

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda inclusive of payables totaling \$520,256.28 and payrolls totaling \$3,287,882.10 for a total payables and payroll of \$3,808,138.38. Motion was made by Moon and seconded by Hadowsky Motion was approved.

Visitor, Teacher, & Support Staff Consideration- Media-, Susan McGrath, Staff: Kim Hahnekamp Jeff Stauder, Paul Donahue, Lisa Mayhall, Adam Metzger, Allison Swisher. Public-Parker Durham, Frankie Durham, John Cline.

Committee Reports

Facilities- Did not meet this month. (Tentative) Next Meeting: Wed, Feb 5 @ 6:30 am

Finance- Did not meet. Next Meeting: (Tentative) April 8, 2025 @ 6:30 am.

Curriculum- Did not meet this month. Next meeting TBD

Policy- The committee reviewed materials virtually and recommended the first reading of PRESS Policy updates from October. Next meeting TBD.

Motion to approve the first reading of October 2024 PRESS Policy updates. Motion was made by Hadowsky and seconded by Moon Motion was approved.

Pana Education Foundation – Mrs. Miller provided an overview from the meeting held on, 1.15.25. Next meeting: February 19, 2025 @ 7:00 am.

Administrative Reports

Principals: Our principals were present and provided an update from each of their buildings.

Jr High: Lisa Mayhall reported that they had 61 students on Honor roll and 26 students on High Honor Roll. Growth in reading percentiles as well.

PES: Adam Metzger touched on the map scores, their exciting christmas activities, and how the older students have been helping with arrival and dismissal. They love it!

Buildings and Transportation: Jeff Stauder provided an update on all schools and their projects. The doors at the High School are complete. GRP finished installing all new baseboards at PJHS. Fire Marshalls visited the buildings, everything went well. The gym floor at PES is still an issue, Jeff will continue to be in communication with Poettker to get this resolved.

Curriculum and Instruction-Paul Donahue gave reports on the map scores, and the upcoming state testing.

Superintendent

Personnel Recommendations

Motion to approve the January Employment Report as reviewed and presented in Executive Session. Motion was made by Moon and seconded by Dorn Motion was approved.

District Worker's Compensation Insurance Renewal -Vanessa at Bushue Human Resources, Inc. has been working closely with the district on the renewal of the district's worker's compensation insurance renewal.

Motion to accept the District Workers Compensation coverage with Star Insurance through Ramza Insurance Group at an overall premium increase of \$28,741. This represents a 55% increase due in part to significant increases in payroll with the current contract. Motion was made by Blackwell and seconded by Beyers Motion was approved.

Executive Session Minutes- Dr.Lett discussed the process to review past executive session minutes from the past 6 months.

Motion to approve the public release of executive session minutes from July 15, August 19, October 28, November 18, and December 16, 2024, and subsequent destruction of any open or executive session tapes older than 18 months. All minutes/tapes from September 23, 2024 shall remain closed to the public. Motion was made by Blackwell and seconded by Dorn Motion was approved.

District Insurance Committee Report- Per the PEA and ESP contract, the District Insurance Committee met on Tuesday, January 14, 2025 in the PHS Library. TJ Erwin, from Bushue Human Resources, Inc., presented the committee with information relating to claim history, trends, and current insurance plans available to staff.

Economic Interest Statements- The District is required annually (no later than February 1st) to provide a list of school district employees who are required to file economic interest statements with the County Clerk.

Motion to approve and certify the list of District affiliated personnel required to file an economic interest statement with the Christian County Clerk. Motion was made by Casner and seconded by Moon Motion was approved.

IRS Mileage Rate- The federal IRS reimbursement rate increased by 3 cents for 2025 to 70 cents per mile. The district's past practice has been to adjust our reimbursement rate to match the federal rate. Keep in mind that we do not reimburse a lot of mileage to employees due to access to District vehicles.

Motion to approve the 2025 IRS Mileage reimbursement rate.Motion was made by Moon and seconded by Dorn Motion was approved.

Burgener Personal Property Auction Contract- Carol Spracklen was unable to meet the timeline for the sales of contents for Washington & Lincoln Schools due to a lack of help. She gave us her blessing for us to move forward with another vendor. So we are going with Josh Burgener Auction & Realty out of Moweaqua, so that we can complete the contents sale before the end of February. He is only taking 30% of the proceeds from the sale as opposed to the 50% Carol was going to charge us. He has a \$500 advertising fee on top of his 30%.

Motion to approve the Burgener Personal Property Auction Contract.Motion was made by Blackwell and seconded by Casner Motion was approved.

Resolution(s) Authorizing the Demolition of Washington & Lincoln Schools - Dr. Lett recommended the approval of the resolutions for demolition of Washington & Lincoln Schools. This will serve as our public announcement of our intentions for these buildings.

Motion to approve the Resolution(s) Authorizing the Demolition of Washington & Lincoln Schools.Motion was made by Beyers and seconded by Casner Motion was approved.

Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Pana and Pana CUSD 8- The Districts attorney Jeff Funk has been working with the City's attorney for several weeks to craft an agreement with the City of Pana that we can live with into the future.We believe this agreement will give us sole control of WalMart and will allow us to cede Washington and Lincoln properties over to the City once we are able to provide them with properties that are clean of the 2 buildings.

Motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Pana and Pana CUSD #8. 10.Motion was made by Casner and seconded by Hadowsky Motion was approved.

Illinois Vision 2030 Resolution-The Alliance organizations (i.e. IASB, IASA, & IASBO) have come together to once again craft a revised vision of focused advocacy priorities for Illinois Public Education. This was done in advance of 2020 and is now being done again in advance of 2030. Advocacy priorities again center around funding equity and education equality of opportunity.

Motion to approve the Resolution in Support of Illinois Vision 2030. Motion was made by Moon and seconded by Dorn Motion was approved.

USDA DLT Grant Application- Mrs. Miller attended a virtual meeting with Lake Regional Office of Education, Network on Friday, January 17, 2025. We are in the process of applying for the USDA Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant Program. Through this program, rural school districts are able to share teaching resources using synchronous classroom equipment.

NPT Special Education Cooperative Report- Mrs. Miller provided any summary statements in connection to the NPT Board Meeting she attended on 01.21.25

Executive Session – 7:23pm

Motion to enter executive session for the discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District, student discipline, litigation, the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the District, and collective bargaining matters, as well as employment/compensation/resignation recommendations. A motion was made by Blackwell and seconded by Dorn to enter motion was approved.

Return from Executive Session – 8:27pm

A motion was made by Blackwell and seconded by Dorn to return from executive session.

Executive Session Minutes as Read

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

Personnel Recommendations

A motion was made by Moon and seconded by Blackwell to approve the Superintendent's personnel recommendations.

Communications

Board Member Considerations

Adjournment – 8:29pm

A motion was made by Casner and seconded by Hadowsky to adjourn the January 27, 2025 Regular Board Meeting.

School Board President

School Board Secretary